

Centre County Torch Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2024
Ramada Inn State College, PA

President Terry Engelder opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Annual dues are currently \$75 a year. Dinner is \$25.

This year's officers:

President: Terry Engelder

Vice President: Carolyn Wilhelm

Recording Secretary: Charles Maxin

Treasurer: Peter Jurs

Correspondence Secretary and Torch International representative: Art Goldschmidt

Webmaster: John Golbeck

No new members.

Tonight's topic is the role of zoning in municipal development. The presenter is Lewis Steinberg.

The Role of Zoning in Municipal Development

Lewis graduated from Penn State and attended the law school of the University of Pennsylvania.

His talk covered the following topics:

1. Historical background of zoning;
2. Purposes of zoning;
3. Components of a zoning ordinance;
4. Governmental entities involved in the zoning process;
5. Define frequently used zoning terms;
6. Using Ferguson Township as an example, identify different zoning districts;
7. Basic considerations in enacting a zoning ordinance; and
8. Discuss major local and national issue—shortage of affordable housing—and how zoning can help in addressing this problem.

Respectfully submitted,

John Golbeck (substituting for Charles Maxin, recording secretary)