

Update on West Cornwall Township Zoning

On Wednesday, October 27, West Cornwall Township held a workshop meeting to start the evaluation and possible revision of its current zoning ordinances. In case you're wondering, the Township zoning ordinances haven't been revised in decades, and many townships re-evaluate every ten years.

The Township planning team included the Township Supervisors, the Township Planning Commission, the Township Zoning Board, and two consultants from Gannett Fleming engaged by the Township. Also attending the meeting were members of the public, including Campmeeting's Ad Hoc Zoning Committee, as well as interested parties from Campmeeting and other parts of the Township.

Let's face it. Campmeeting is just not a typical suburban development! So ... to help the Township planning team better understand Campmeeting, we, the Ad Hoc Zoning Committee, gave the Gannett Fleming consultants two books on Campmeeting history: Jack Bitner's, *Mt. Gretna, A Coleman Legacy*, and The Mt. Gretna Campmeeting Association's, *A Centennial History*. We also shared with them a one-page historic overview of land use in Campmeeting (see Attachment 1). Just as importantly, we invited the Gannett Fleming consultants to join us for a walk-and-talk in Campmeeting so they could see it for themselves.

The consultants accepted our invitation. So ... on Wednesday, November 3, our committee spent over two hours with them, walking Campmeeting. Joining us were Linda Campbell (who helped compile the research for Campmeeting's Historic Landmark application) as well as Township Supervisor and Campmeeting resident David Lloyd. A map of the basic route we took through Campmeeting is attached, as Attachment 2. Also attached is a summary of some of the zoning and land use issues the walk highlighted, such as, small lots and narrow drive streets. (See Attachment 3.)

The day was brisk, but the walk-and-talk was leisurely and congenial. The consultants found the tour of Campmeeting enlightening. We asked them to keep us informed of their progress and hope to continue discussions with them.

A list of future Township workshop meetings can be found at <https://westcornwalltwp.com/upcoming-events/>.

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