# **SWOT Analysis Notes**

Lycoming County 2016 Comprehensive Plan Update Rural Central PAT, Staff Lead: Frances McJunkin Wednesday, November 18th 2015 6:00 – 7:30 PM Executive Plaza, 330 Pine Street, Williamsport, PA



## Strengths: 10 votes total

- 3 Wonderful place to be/beautiful place to live
- 2 Farmers/strong community that sticks together
- 2 Operate economically/lack of overhead costs
- 2 Lack of development/natural beauty and lack of "big box" store type development
- 1 Recreation from natural resources
- 0 New cell tower

### Weaknesses: 10 votes total

- Lack of volunteers for fire, ambulance, etc. due to increased state training requirements
- 2 Need for additional funding for roads, etc.
- 2 Lack of volunteers for township i.e. auditors, tax preparers
- 2 Inconsistent cell service
- 1 Operating with part time staff/Lack of full time employees
- 0 Increased labor costs versus cost of services needed i.e. snow plowing
- 0 Floodplain
- 0 Non-certified levee/flood protection

## Opportunities: 10 votes total

- 4 Availability of funding Act 13 etc.
- 2 Active township participation
- 2 Increased funds for roads/road improvements
- 2 Potential for new township/community parks
- 0 Purchase new equipment
- Oil and gas companies to furnish oil/gas lines to community/potential to access gas

#### Threats: 10 votes total

- 5 Potential loss of impact fee
- 2 Lycoming Creek flooding
- 2 Legal notice issues/not aware of notices for zoning
- 1 State mandates EPA/DEP
- 0 Oil and Gas impacts on roads
- 0 Traffic (highway spillover)
- 0 Uncontrolled development