

BPS Welcomes Jim Lenner as Community & Economic Development Director!



We are very excited that Jim Lenner has joined BPS as our new Community & Economic Development Director. Jim comes to BPS with 15 years of experience working with local governments.

Jim received his B.A. from Muskingum University and has an M.A. in Public Affairs from Park University. He also received a Graduate Certificate in Geographic Information Systems from Penn State University.

Jim has developed a wide range of skillsets in community and land use planning, downtown revitalization, economic development strategies, zoning and development regulations, park and recreation planning, and public finance and capital improvements. He is also experienced at managing a variety of programs, projects, and teams.

Jim's specialties and expertise include:

- Community Development Policy
- Grant Writing and Administration
- Comprehensive Community Planning
- Target Area Planning
- Medical Marijuana Policy
- Economic Development Programming & Incentive Negotiation
- Local Government Management
- Downtown Revitalization
- Commercial and Residential Site Plan Review
- Capital Infrastructure Planning & Management
- Park and Recreation Planning & Analysis
- Zoning Ordinance Creation and Updates