DOVER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
MINUTES
September 10th, 2018

The Dover Township Board of Supervisors’ Meeting for Monday, September 10th, 2018, was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairperson Stephen Stefanowicz in the Meeting Room of the Dover Township Municipal Building. Supervisors present were Robert Stone, Stephen Parthree, Charles Richards and Michael Cashman. Other Township Representatives in attendance were Charles Rausch; Township Solicitor, Laurel Oswalt, Township Manager; Michael Fleming, Township Public Works Director; Georgia Sprenkel; Township Zoning Officer and Tiffany Strine; Township Secretary. There were fifty-two citizens present. This meeting is being recorded for the purpose of minutes only.

A moment of silence was requested, followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Chairman Stefanowicz stated that a Work Session was held prior to the beginning of this evening’s Board meeting for the purposes of discussing Township Fire Department Issues.

APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS’ MEETING MINUTES FOR AUGUST 27TH, 2018

Motion by R. Stone and seconded by S. Parthree to approve the Board of Supervisors’ Meeting Minutes for August 27th, 2018, as presented. Passed with 5 ayes

TREASURER’S REPORT

Approval of Current Expenditures

Motion by C. Richards and seconded by S. Parthree to approve the warrant total for August 31st, 2018, in the amount of $216,867.27 as presented. Passed with 5 ayes

Motion by C. Richards and seconded by S. Parthree to approve the warrant total for September 7th, 2018, in the amount of $367,631.80 as presented. Passed with 5 ayes

Information on Events and Local Announcements

Manager Oswalt informed the Board of Supervisors and public present of information on events and local announcements. Dover Township will be hosting a Bus Trip to Ocean City, Maryland for Ocean City Sun Fest on September 22nd, 2018. The Wastewater Treatment Plant will be holding their annual Open House on Tuesday, September 25th, 2018 from 3:00 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M. This is a great engagement with the community as an educational and informative opportunity for all to attend. Dover Township will be hosting a Bus Trip to Jim Thorpe on October 20th, 2018. Dover Township will be holding its annual Family Fun Fest on October 6th, 2018 from 11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.
PUBLIC COMMENT

Tasha Beaverson – Home School Co-Op Group Representative

Ms. Beaverson resides at 130 Pickett Road, Dover. Ms. Beaverson is a Home School Co-Op Group Representative and is requesting a fee waiver for the use of the Dover Township Community Park Log House Rental Facility for Home School Group gatherings. The gatherings would consist of 18 meetings overall, meeting twice a month. Ms. Beaverson clarified that she is not a Dover Township resident; however, she does reside in Dover Township School District. Ms. Beaverson stated that there will be a fee charged to the attendees.

Motion by R. Stone and seconded by C. Richards to approve a fifty percent (50%) discount to the rental fee of fifty dollars and zero cents ($50.00) for Tasha Beaverson for the rental of the Township Community Park Log House, for each event held, for the use of holding Home School Group gatherings, as presented. Passed with 5 ayes.

Brian Kimball – 6245 Salem Run Road, Dover

Mr. Kimball is a Dover Township resident residing at 6245 Salem Run Road, Dover. Mr. Kimball is a member of the Dover Township Planning Commission. Mr. Kimball presented the Board of Supervisors with issues concerning the use of Fire Lanterns within Dover Township. Mr. Kimball provided handouts to the Board of Supervisors for their review regarding issues he has found, supporting his stance on his concerns regarding the use of Fire Lanterns. Mr. Kimball stated that during various times of the year individuals are utilizing Fire Lanterns and as a result, surrounding properties have been experiencing damage to property and fields as they are proving to be a major fire hazard, a livestock hazard and so on. Mr. Kimball has spoken with a representative from the Dover Township Fire Department. Mr. Kimball was informed by the Fire Department representative that Fire Lanterns are currently legal. Mr. Kimball would like the Board of Supervisors to take his concern into consideration.

Dover Township Solicitor; Attorney Rausch, added that the Dover Township Board of Supervisors may look into researching the drafting of an ordinance regarding this issue if it so sees fit.

Stephanie Horst – 2681 Blackberry Road, Dover

Ms. Horst is a Dover Township resident residing at 2681 Blackberry Road. Ms. Horst is opposed to the proposed Blackberry Road rezoning. Ms. Horst added that she feels that a rezoning to the proposed property would result in adverse impacts resulting in increased traffic patterns, pedestrian traffic issues and other personal concerns to Ms. Horst.

Dawn Hamme – 2910 Blackberry Road, Dover

Ms. Hamme is a Dover Township resident residing at 2910 Blackberry Road. Ms. Hamme stated that at the August 27th, 2018 Dover Township Board of Supervisors meeting, during discussions regarding the potential rezoning of 2210 Blackberry Road, Ms. Hamme stated that
someone had inquired if the Board had prior knowledge that the intended use of the proposed rezoning would be a service station. Ms. Hamme added that on April 9th, 2018, Mr. Klinger was present at a Board of Supervisors meeting to propose his idea for the rezoning of his property located at 2210 Blackberry Road had noted that he is exploring options for a service station at this location. Ms. Hamme added that she wanted to inform the Board that his intention was proposed.

**Tammy Hauser – 4615 Biesecker Road, Thomasville**

Ms. Hauser resides at 4615 Biesecker Road, Thomasville. Ms. Hauser informed the Board of Supervisors that she is present this evening to speak on behalf of her mother; Ms. Nancy Laughman, a Dover Township resident residing at 2300 Blackberry Road, Dover. Ms. Hauser is not in favor of the proposed rezoning of 2210 Blackberry Road. Ms. Hauser provided the Board of Supervisors with a packet of documents that she feels is presenting factual information to the Board of Supervisors regarding the reasons to oppose the proposed rezoning requests of 2210 Blackberry Road. The reasonings provided included resident information, the current owner’s intentions, comprehensive plan effects and the York County Planning Commissions comments for opposition of the rezoning.

**Bernadine Dehoff – 2331 Blackberry Road, Dover**

Ms. Dehoff is a resident residing at 2331 Blackberry Road, Dover. Ms. Dehoff commended Ms. Tammy Hauser and her reasonings for opposing the proposed rezoning. Ms. Dehoff agrees with Ms. Hauser and would like the Board of Supervisors to take her reasonings into consideration.

**Kevin Weaver – 2281-E Blackberry Road**

Mr. Weaver is a resident residing at 2281-E Blackberry Road. Mr. Weaver stated that he feels disheartened by the proposed rezoning. Mr. Weaver inquired as to the reasoning for a five (5) minute time limit for individuals requesting public comment. Mr. Weaver feels that some very valid and serious points were presented, and Mr. Weaver would like the Board of Supervisors to consider resident concerns.

R. Stone addressed Mr. Weaver’s concerns regarding public meetings versus public hearings and the reasonings behind public comment time periods during both types of meetings.

**Lauren Haymen – 2380 Blackberry Road**

Ms. Haymen is a resident residing at 2380 Blackberry Road. Ms. Haymen stated that she is not in favor of the proposed rezoning. Ms. Haymen stated that the residents of Blackberry Road are not on public sewer. Ms. Haymen stated that the current zoning of the parcel in question is current for non-invasive businesses; therefore, the options for the use of the land in question are not being limited by upholding the current zoning. Ms. Haymen feels that various issues could arise from the possible rezoning such as stormwater run-off, chemical run-off and detriment to livelihoods of current residents.

**Brian Klinger – 2770 Mill Creek Road**
Mr. Klinger is a resident residing at 2770 Mill Creek Road. Mr. Klinger owns the property at 2210 Blackberry Road and is proposing the property of 2210 be rezoned. Mr. Klinger stated that he feels that everyone has assumed that he is looking to bring a convenience store to the property he is proposing to be rezoned, he stated these were only his initial thoughts. Mr. Klinger feels as though the land proposed for rezoning would be a great place and anchor spot for business and that the surrounding properties are currently zoned for business as well. Mr. Klinger feels that the proposed rezoning would be a benefit to the entire community.

Keith Miller – 2855 Blackberry Road

Mr. Miller is a resident residing at 2855 Blackberry Road. Mr. Miller is against the proposed re-zoning of 2210 Blackberry Road. Mr. Miller feels that a zoning change could present great challenges and problems to local wildlife, that being of some species that are possibly endangered.

Doug Williams – 2500 Blackberry Road

Mr. Williams is a resident residing at 2500 Blackberry Road. Mr. Williams stated that his greatest concern is that himself; along with the public residents of Blackberry Road present, cannot read the mind of Mr. Klinger and know his reasons for wanting to rezone the property located at 2210 Blackberry Road.

Chairman Stefanowicz wished to add his own comments regarding the proposed re-zoning of 2210 Blackberry Road. Chairman Stefanowicz stated that for every topic and challenge that is presented, there are always two sides and Chairman Stefanowicz appreciates everyone’s sides to this particular issue. Chairman Stefanowicz added that he has driven the road proposed for rezoning many times in the past fourteen days. Chairman Stefanowicz stated that a main goal of the Board of Supervisors is to keep taxes low and bring reasonable income into Dover Township, all to accomplish work that needs done within the Township. Doing so by meeting a balance between all factors. Chairman Stefanowicz added that the decision to be made, needs to be based on the determining factors of the decision being a benefit to all residents of Dover Township.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT by Attorney Charles Rausch

Attorney Rausch stated for record purposes, there was a scheduled meeting on this evening’s agenda for a 6:30 pm Executive Session on Dover Township Fire Department Personnel, this was a Work Session on Dover Township Fire Department Personnel and was open to the public.

Approve Ordinance 2018-03 Amending the Dover Township Zoning Ordinance, As Amended, Modifying and Amending the Zoning Map, 2210 Blackberry Road, Dover Township

Attorney Rausch informed the Dover Township Board of Supervisors and public present; as
directed, this matter was placed on the agenda for consideration to approve or deny the amendment of the Township Zoning Map for this parcel from Conservation to Business Park.

**Motion** by R. Stone and seconded by M. Cashman bring Ordinance 2018-03 Amending the Dover Township Zoning Ordinance, As Amended, Modifying and Amending the Zoning Map, 2210 Blackberry Road, Dover Township, back onto the table, as presented. **Passed** with 5 ayes

**Motion** by S. Stefanowicz to approve Ordinance 2018-03 Amending the Dover Township Zoning Ordinance, As Amended, Modifying and Amending the Zoning Map, 2210 Blackberry Road, Dover Township, as presented. **The motion died for a lack of a second.**

**ZONING OFFICER’S REPORT** by Township Zoning Officer Georgia Sprenkel

**Approve Dover Township Secretary to Sign the Final Sewage Facilities Planning Module for Mildred Gilbert, 610 Kunkles Mill Road**

The Final Sewage Facilities Planning Module for Mildred Gilbert of 610 Kunkles Mill Road was presented to the Board of Supervisors for Review.

**Motion** by C. Richards and seconded by R. Stone to approve the Dover Township Secretary to Sign the Final Sewage Facilities Planning Module for Mildred Gilbert, 610 Kunkles Mill Road, as presented. **Passed** with 5 ayes

**MANAGER’S REPORT** by Township Manager Laurel Oswalt

**Approval of Resolution Number 2018-22 Permitting the Intermunicipal Transfer of Liquor Licenses**

Manager Oswalt informed the Board of Supervisors that she was recently contacted regarding the transfer of a liquor license from a business in Spring Garden Township to Dover Township. The license would be for Royal Farms to sell beer and wine products. Manager Oswalt stated that after further research with the attorney involved and Dover Township’s solicitor, Manager Oswalt stated that she is providing the Board of Supervisors with resolution to allow the Township to charge a fee for these types of transfers. Dover Township is currently limited to seven (7) licenses. If an entity would wish to transfer an eighth (8th) license to our community, there is a hearing process that needs to be established. Royal Farms will be the seventh (7th) license that is allotted in Dover Township and therefore Dover Township should prepare with the mechanisms in place to process these requests.

**Motion** by R. Stone and seconded by C. Richards to approve Resolution Number 2018-22 Permitting the Intermunicipal Transfer of Liquor Licenses, as presented. **Passed** with 5 ayes

**Approval of the Sale of Municibid Auction Items**

Manager Oswalt provided the Board of Supervisors with Municibid bid results regarding the sale of Dover Township items. The Stop/Slow paddles received a high bid of $62.00. The Chevy S10 Pick-Up Truck received a high bid of $4,100.00.
Motion by S. Parthree and seconded by M. Cashman to approve the Sale of Municibid Auction Items as follows: 1998 Chevy S-10 in the Amount of $4,100.00 and Stop/Slow Paddles in the Amount of $62.00, as presented. Passed with 5 ayes

NEW PUBLIC WORKS GARAGRE REPORT

Approve of ECI Change Order Number 4 in the Amount of $72,029.00

Motion by R. Stone and seconded by S. Parthree to approve ECI Change Order Number 4 in the Amount of $72,029.00 and grant a five (5) day extension period, as presented. Passed with 5 ayes

MS4 Update

“Safe Drinking Water” Public Education Stormwater Management Seminar

A Public Education Stormwater Management Seminar is going to be held, Tuesday, September 18th, 2018 from 6:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. at Manchester Township located at 3200 Farm trail Road in York, Pennsylvania.

OLD BUSINESS

McCleary Agreement Regarding Backflow Preventer

The Board of Supervisors were presented with a copy of an agreement for the McCleary residents regarding a Backflow Preventer. The McCleary’s concern was brought to the attention of the Dover Township Board of Supervisors during the August 27th, 2018 meeting, where it was made known of a sewer backflow issue that the McCleary’s experienced.

Motion by C. Richards and seconded by S. Parthree to approve the McCleary Agreement regarding a backflow preventer, as presented. Passed with 5 ayes

Comprehensive Plan Committee Member(s)

Manager Oswalt informed the Board of Supervisors that she is in need of a confirmation as to which two (2) Board of Supervisors members would like to participate in the upcoming Dover Township Comprehensive Plan Committee.

C. Richards stated that he will volunteer to participate in the Dover Township Comprehensive Plan Committee. M. Cashman stated that he will volunteer to participate as an alternate in the Dover Township Comprehensive Plan Committee.

Resident Public Comment Concern

The Board of Supervisors were briefed on the status of a resident public comment made during
the August 27th, 2018 Board of Supervisors Meeting. Mike Mummert of 3246 North Wynd Avenue was present during the August 27th, 2018 Board of Supervisors meeting regarding excess stormwater on his property.

Manager Oswalt informed the Board of Supervisors that the Township Engineer; Mr. Terry Myers, has been out to Mr. Mummert’s property and informed Manager Oswalt that the landscape architect had been out at Mr. Mummert’s property performing some grading work. Mr. Myers added that he was going to look into the grading plan that was originally proposed and what grading was actually performed at the site. A follow up will be provided when available.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

R. Stone – R. Stone extended a sincere thank you to Dover Township Board of Supervisor Chairman; Chairman Stefanowicz, for his integrity, focus and service in his position for Dover Township. R. Stone extended a sincere thank you to the Wastewater Treatment Plant staff. R. Stone stated that the WWTP staff has been going above and beyond excellence in their duties, especially during the past summer season where the area has seen an over abundant amount of rain. This effects the WWTP in many ways and the WWTP has been managing twenty-seven million gallons of residential effluent per day, noting that the capacity for the WWTP is only eight million per day. This is all managed by the WWTP without polluting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tammy Hauser – 4615 Biesecker Road, Thomasville

Ms. Hauser thanked the Board of Supervisors for their decision to not pass the proposed re-zoning for 2210 Blackberry Road.

Kevin Weaver – 2281-E Blackberry Road

Mr. Weaver thanked the Board of Supervisors for their time and their decision to not pass the proposed re-zoning for 2210 Blackberry Road.

Nancy Laughman – 2300 Blackberry Road

Ms. Laughman is a resident residing at 2300 Blackberry Road. Ms. Laughman thanked the Board of Supervisors for their decision to not pass the proposed re-zoning for 2210 Blackberry Road.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Stefanowicz at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted by: ____________________________

Tiffany Strine, Recording Township Secretary