

**THORNBURY TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORK SESSION**

MINUTES – November 5, 2014

The Thornbury Township Board of Supervisors' Work Session was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Thornbury Township meeting room. In attendance were Supervisors Robert Anthony, Chairman; Jim Benoit, Vice-Chairman; and Bill Reilly. Also in attendance were Jacqui Guenther, Township Manager; Kathy Labrum, Township Solicitor; and Teresa DeStefano, Secretary.

PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE ON THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 2014-3: Amendment to Fireworks Ordinance

Bob Anthony opened the hearing for the adoption of Ordinance 2014-3, Amendment to Fireworks Ordinance.

Kathy Labrum noted the public advertisement was published in the Daily Local News on the October 27, 2014 as Exhibit 1.

The Board voiced their concerns about current issues with the proposed draft. (Reference transcript).

Bob Anthony solicited public comment.

Bob Anthony noted that the hearing will be continued at the December 16, 2014 meeting.

OTHER MATTERS:

Brooks Durham inquired about the Tree Fund and if it will be used to plant trees around the Squire Cheyney Walking Trail as a buffer to the homes around it.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Permit Manager Software Presentation

Cork Shunk gave a presentation of the program he designed called CSG Permit Manager. He showed how and what the program will provide. The system will track permits, and all reports, it will also have parcel maps and provide the township with a digital data base of all parcels. The discussion continued with the advantages of having a program like this in the township and how it will impact our permitting system.

2. 2015 Road Program

Mike Conrad gave a brief update on the road project and the completion of the job.

3. S. Concord Road Culvert Repair

Mike Conrad reviewed the cost of the S. Concord Culvert Repairs and approximately the length of the repair and cost.

4. Macanga/2014 Road Project Material Issue

Mike Conrad mentioned that he is waiting for Macanga to verify the asphalt material depth on William Penn Boulevard.

5. Home Based Business Ordinance/ Comparison

The Board discussed the Township's current ordinance and how the new changes will affect the residents of the township. The discussion continued with the improvements and adjustments to amend the ordinance.

6. Property Maintenance/Township Costs

The Board discussed how to handle trimming of brush on township roads in the right of ways.

7. Township Office Proposal/Rich Acciavatti

Jacqui Guenther met with Rich Acciavatti about a Township Building; Rich said he has approved plans to build a sister building like the Calista building. He mentioned that he would agree to a long term lease for the Township. The Board discussed the different options and advantages of the proposal.

8. Website

Jacqui Guenther noted that the website has been completed and will go live tomorrow.

9. Feasibility Study

Jacqui Guenther noted that there is a meeting tomorrow morning.

10. DAS Ordinance

Kathy Labrum noted that she is working on it and should have a draft shortly.

11. Library Donation

Jacqui Guenther stated that the Board could approve the donation for our next Board meeting.

12. Infinity Cadillac Expansion

Jacqui Guenther stated that the expansion does not have any impact in our township.

13. 2015 Budget

The Board reviewed the final draft 2015 Budget and it is ready to be advertised for public inspection.

OTHER MATTERS:

Dave Smiley gave a brief review of the draft Fireworks Ordinance and the guidelines to follow to be in compliance with the State laws.

ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Destefano, Secretary