

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

MINUTES – March 4, 2014

The Thornbury Township Board of Supervisors' Work Session was called to order at 6:05 p.m. in the Thornbury Township meeting room. In attendance were Supervisors Bob Anthony, Chairman; Jim Benoit, Vice-Chairman; Mike Gallagher, William Reilly, and George Stasen. Also in attendance were Kathy Labrum, Township Solicitor; and Teresa DeStefano, Secretary. There was an executive session before the meeting to discuss Real Estate matters.

I. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. BAMBOO ORDINANCE

Bob Anthony started the discussion by mentioning that bamboo is invading the road ways after storms. Kathy Labrum presented a draft for the board to review, Kathy named the ordinance Noxious Vegetation that way it would cover other vegetation that may fall under this ordinance.

The discussion continued with how this ordinance could protect the residents and their property rights but also keep the township road safe.

2. DISCUSS THE TAKING OF MINUTES

Teresa started the discussion by presenting examples of other Township minutes and also mentioned that from the book Robert's Rules by Doris P. Zimmerman the proper format for minute taking.

The discussion continued with what should and shouldn't be in Township minutes. The Board also inquired from the Solicitor should a copy of the recorded minutes be available to residents. Kathy Labrum will check into that issue.

3. CREATE A SUB-COMMITTEE TO WORK WITH THE TOWNSHIP ENGINEER AND PLANNING COMMISSION TO WORK ON ACT 167 STORMWATER ORDINANCE

Mike Conrad noted that this was handed down from DEP and the EPA. The Board selected Mike Gallagher and Bill Reilly from the Supervisors, Mike Conrad from Yerkes Associates and Jim Jordan from the Planning Commission. Jim Jordan stated that he would take the lead on the subcommittee and will have an Agenda in the next few days. Then the subcommittee can put together the wording and present it the Board next month.

4. DISCUSS THE TOWNSHIP MAP

Bob Anthony mentioned that in the current budgeted money has been set for a new map. Bob noted with a new Township Manager starting it would be a great time to update the current zoning map.

The current map is just a zoning map which is around 10 years old. The board discussed what direction that they would like Yerkes Association to move forward with.

5. DISCUSS THE SCOPE OF THE PATH PROJECT RELATED TO ANN'S PARCEL

The Board discussed the path that is currently on the plans. Mike Conrad noted that the project award including the parking area for the North parcel and to remove the parking area the Board would have to amend the scope of work. Also Mike mentioned that it's Orleans Builders obligation to construct the trail and do the grading; this was preapproved with the sub division. Mike Conrad will coordinate with Orleans when they can start construction.

II. OTHER MATTERS:

Jim Benoit gave a brief update on the Police Commissioner meeting.

Jim Benoit presented an outline on the stabilization of the Springhouse windows, the roof and the framing. The board discussed different options, the time frame and also what the cost may be.

George Stasen stated that he will present this to the Historic Preservation Committee at their next meeting.

III. ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Teresa Destefano, Secretary