

HONEY BROOK TOWNSHIP
Board of Supervisors Workshop Approved Minutes
July 7, 2016 --7:00 p.m.

The July 7, 2016 workshop meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order by Travis Stacey at 7:03 p.m. Other Supervisors in attendance were John McHugh and Tracy Olsen. Also in attendance was Mike Reinert, Township Engineer. Steve Landes, Township Manager, was absent (vacation).

1. Chief Joseph Gleason – Chief Gleason of the West Goshen Township Police Department was present to provide his feedback and advice to the Board on the topic of creating a municipal police force or entering into a regional or contractual arrangement for police service in Honey Brook Township. Chief Gleason, who is a Township resident, provided some of his experiences and opinions on the matter and answered various questions from the Board members and audience present. The Board thanked Chief Gleason for his time and welcomed his continued involvement and expertise as the Township continues its research into this topic.
2. Charles Mellott, 15 Tulip Drive, was present with a request to set consumer scale display of fireworks at his property this coming weekend. In years past, the Board had approved the request however required that the Fire Chief be notified of the event and location. Mr. Mellott noted that had been done. The Board had no objection to the request with this understanding as it was in keeping with past practices.
3. Board of Supervisors draft meeting agenda of July 13, 2016 - A preliminary copy of the agenda was reviewed by the Board. Melissa Needles, member of Planning Commission, commented that the Township should consider reviewing/amending the kennel regulations as well as providing active enforcement of existing kennels (both approved and not approved) in the Township.
4. Act 537 Plan update – Mike Reinert reported that the NCCMA engineer and their Board continues to analyze and develop alternatives that will increase the waste water treatment plant capacity and bring the facility into compliance with current regulations. Once this is completed, cost estimates will be prepared for discussion. A joint workshop meeting between the Township, Borough and NCCMA has been scheduled for Thursday, September 8th to discuss the alternatives and costs further. Fred Ebert, Ebert Engineering, will also attend the joint workshop.
5. Brandywine Terrace update – Mike Reinert reported that a meeting had been held on June 2nd with Rob Holber, Bankruptcy Trustee, realtor, Rob Kearney, Steve Landes and Chris Hartman to review the status of the conditions at the park. The Township requested an update meeting for July 7th to ensure progress was being made on a number of issues, however the meeting was cancelled by Mr. Holber. A tentative meeting of July 15th was requested by the Township to receive an update on the status of the park, however no reply had been received. It was reported that there is potential interest from a few individuals in purchasing the property.
6. Chester County Council of Governments (CoG) – John McHugh reported that the CoG is discussing a regional emergency management proposal.

7. October 12th Supervisors Regular Meeting – John McHugh noted that he would not be able to attend the regular meeting and asked if the meeting should be rescheduled. After some discussion it was decided to keep the original meeting date and time as advertised.
8. Small Cell ordinance – John McHugh reported that the CoG is looking into this topic again and Honey Brook should consider reviewing a model ordinance to address this issue. The cost for obtaining the ordinance draft would be relatively inexpensive as compared to a previous proposal reviewed by the Township several months ago. More information will be obtained and presented in the near future.
9. Icedale Road bridge closing – John McHugh reported that the Township is awaiting more information on the specifics of the bridge closing and replacement options in West Brandywine Township.
10. Website – John McHugh requested that pictures of parks and recreation events be added to the website.
11. Earned Income Tax – The Board discussed whether the dedicated tax for the land preservation program should be reduced for 2017. The Manager reported that he let the Board know the process the Township must follow if a decision is made to lower the tax.

There being no additional business to be brought before the Board of Supervisors the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Reinert
Township Engineer