PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

John E. Schroeder • J. Pepper Goslin • Lori L. Crossen Monday through Thursday, closed Friday | Hours: 6:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. | Meeting: First Monday, 7:00 p.m.



ZONING WORKSHOP February 22, 2021

The Providence Township Board of Supervisors held a zoning workshop in the township municipal office on Monday, February 22, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chairman J. Pepper Goslin, Vice Chairman John Schroeder, Member Lori Crossen, Manager Vicki Eldridge, Zoning Officer Heidi Martinez, Township Engineer Mark Deimler; Township Solicitor Melvin Newcomer and three observers.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Goslin at 7:00 P.M followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

ZONING BUSINESS

- Section 321: Sensitive Environmental Features Overlay. Mr. Deimler reviewed suggested changes to this section which will make the section more easily understood and simple. The supervisors agreed to the changes.
- Section 200.5: Limitations to Subdivision and/or Land Development. Following discussion, the supervisors were in agreement that no changes are needed to Section 200.5.
- Section 430: Farm-Support Business Operation. The supervisors agreed that Section 430.9 should be changed as follows: Employees of the farm-support business operation shall be limited to not more than three (3) full-time of which one is the owner/operator of the farm and the other two (2) may be non-residents of the farm.

STORM WATER MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE

- Section 3.04.C Stormwater Flows. Mr. Deimler explained that this varies from site to site. Reviews of this section are site specific.
- Section 4.03.J. Existing Features. Mr. Deimler explained that any issues with this section may have come from a misconception of what is required. The project site features need to be included on a storm water plan. The property does not need to be surveyed to locate the features. Consultants have many ways to utilize technology in their offices to complete this task. Mr. Deimler did say it is important that consultants verify the features of a site perhaps by a site visit. Mr. Goslin stated that the board of supervisors is expecting township officials (all staff including the manager, zoning officer, township engineer, etc.) to apply the most flexible interpretations of zoning, stormwater, SALDO, flood plain and other ordinances in the execution of their duties in service to the Providence Township residents and property owners.
- Section 6.06. Stormwater Maintenance Fund. Following discussions, the supervisors directed Mr. Deimler to research the number of inspections that are required by the ordinance to see if fewer inspections would be possible.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE

 Section 4.02.A. Preliminary Plans – Drafting Standards Scale. Mr. Deimler explained that at times large properties will not fit on a plan due to size. He feels a policy change to use the correct scale stated in the ordinance for the main part of a plan and all remaining lands should be included in a legible format will correct this issue until such a time as the SALDO is updated. The supervisors were in agreement.

ADJOURNMENT

• With no further business, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder, to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 p.m. The motion was carried unanimously.

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ATTEST: _

Vicki L. Eldridge, Secretary

John E. Schroeder, Chairman

J. Pepper Goslin, Vice Chairman

Lori L. Crossen, Member