

UPPER OXFORD TOWNSHIP
APRIL 22, 2019

Upper Oxford Township Board of Supervisors held an advertised work session at the Township Building, 1185 Limestone Road, Russellville, PA on Monday, April 22, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

PRESENT: Howard S. Reyburn. Scott A. Rugen and Charles Fleischmann

OTHERS: Jane Daggett, Secretary, Ron Ragan, Township Engineer, John Theilacker, Brandywine Conservancy, Karl Herr, Elizabeth Randolph, Dave Underwood, Planning Commission Members

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by the Chairman, Scott Rugen.

RIPARIAN BUFFER – John Theilacker handed out draft, revised, riparian buffer ordinances to those present. The last time John was here was in January 2019 to discuss the riparian buffer. The ordinance needed to be simplified and consistent with the Storm Water Ordinance. New additions or changed items are underlined in the draft.

The definition of Agricultural Activity was added.

Page 2 - Earth Disturbance Activity was changed and reflects new wording – “DEP definition is more inclusive”

Page 3 – No changes

Page 4 - Special Protection Waters – Big Elk Creek was removed from this definition

Page 5 – No changes

Page 6 – Section 1432 - #1, #2, #3 were at end of provisions, now moved to the top and #1 was revised

Page 7 – B.1 – Applicability – Agricultural Activities was added

Page 7 – B.2.b – added – All “New” Agricultural Activities

Page 7 – B.3. – added “New” Agricultural Activities

Page 7 – B.3.a. – NRCS has been submitted to the Township “and/or CCCD” was added to the paragraph – these changes were discussed. John will change 2.b to distinguish non forest buffer or forest buffer. 2. c – Timber Harvest - definition will withstand a challenge. 3. a – re-written based on previous comments and 3.b – same language as above

Page 7 – reverse B. – Applicability with C – Riparian Buffer Delineation

Page 8 – No changes – D. – Uses Permitted in D.1.a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h – can be in any buffer. D.2.a.,c – outside first 50 feet of buffer

Page 9 – D.2.b – trails should have porous material. Moved to 1.e and 1.e will get modified

Page 10 – 4. – add “New” Agricultural Activities

The Board of Supervisors are also considering some other zoning changes – Limits on Amish School Capacity and Section on Steep Slopes.

DRIVEWAYS – Process should be changed – will discuss this at the road inspection.

MS4 – Ron Ragan presented those in attendance with a MS4 Work Map Stormwater Facilities. The MS4 only applies to urbanized areas which are shown in yellow. Grist Mill and Turners Pond. Ron stated that our permit was due to DEP in January 2019. DEP advised Ron to submit the permit when all comments were addressed. The green area shows the drainage areas that we are responsible for. Impaired Streams and areas that were impacted were discussed along with Act 167 and how it meets storm water requirement for MS4. Ideas were also passed around regarding where monies/grants could become available. It was also suggested that maybe Ron and Andy could do some road projects to be eligible for grant money.

BRIDGE INSPECTTIONS – Charlie requested a list of recent bridge inspections from Andy.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, the work session was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Daggett