

UPPER OXFORD TOWNSHIP
APRIL 24, 2023

Upper Oxford Township Board of Supervisors held an advertised work session at the township building, 1185 Limestone Road, Russellville, PA on Monday, April 24, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Howard Reyburn, Scott Rugen, Charles Fleischmann and Jane Daggett, Secretary

OTHERS: Colin Kraucunas, Karl Herr and Blair Fleischmann

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

HISTORIC ORDINANCE – Blair had forwarded a draft, historic ordinance to the Supervisors previous to the meeting for review. Demolition was discussed and noted that 15 days is not enough time to record any property scheduled for demolition. Items of discussion were that “Historic” should be mentioned throughout the ordinance as “Historical”. Duties of the commission were discussed along with the number of member and terms of the members. Our Zoning Ordinance, Section 2013 regulates demolition and our SALDO, regulates Historic Resources. Blair explained the different classes of historic buildings to the Board of Supervisors. Blair will provide the Planning Commission with a clean copy of the draft for their May 1st meeting.

STORMWATER – Sections 106.C.9 and Section 106.C.10 will be left as it is. We will seek an official answer from the township engineer regarding residential dwelling units. The next step, will be to forward the changes to our solicitor for review, and then schedule a hearing. This must be adopted by May 31st but UOT will probably not meet that deadline.

RIPARIAN BUFFER AND HIGH TUNNEL – language to this will be added at the date of adoption. Revisions will be forwarded to Supervisors and Planning Commission members in the near future. Protective Covenants were discussed and landowners must restore parts of the riparian buffer that have been restored with sixty (60) days. These points will be mentioned to our Engineer. Ramifications of not complying with the ordinance were another point mentioned. Scott suggested having someone with more knowledge regarding riparian buffers and protective covenants come to one of our work session meetings.

SOLAR – Scott pointed out that the township wants to be proactive regarding solar panels in agricultural areas. Properties must be withdrawn from Act 319 and back taxes must be paid on the whole parcel.

WEDDING BARN VENUE – Scott had heard that someone would like to put in a wedding venue at the barn on Edenton and Route 10.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, motion was made to adjourn at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Daggett
Secretary