

UPPER OXFORD TOWNSHIP
JULY 27, 2020

Upper Oxford Township Board of Supervisors held an advertised work session at the Township Building, 1185 Limestone Road, Russellville, PA on Monday, July 27, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Scott A. Rugen
 Howard Reyburn
 Jane Daggett, Secretary

The work session was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by the Chairman, Scott Rugen. The purpose of the work session was to discuss amending some ordinances and adopting new ordinances.

FAMILY FAM – ZO Section 1420.C, Page 87 – would like this to read: “The family farm related school cannot exceed the legal capacity of the building as stated on the Certificate of the Occupancy.”

STEEP SLOPES – ZO Section 1101, Page 59 – discussion was held regarding the township not having a definition for “moderate or steep slopes” in our Zoning Ordinance or SALDO. However, in our Storm Water, Section 312.C.2 – Logging or Wood Cutting Operations” it references three different degrees of slopes. The Township will seek the opinion of our engineer, Ron Ragan on the following:

1. Do we need a definition in our ZO for moderate and severe slopes?
2. Do we need to change definition of Steep Slopes District of Article 11?
3. Do we need to change anything in Storm Water Ordinance (Section 312.C.2)?

NOXIOUS WEEDS ORDINANCE – Supervisor Reyburn will check into having an addendum to the ordinance if the State changes their definitions. We will have this on our next meeting agenda to vote to send on to the Planning Commission.

RIPARIAN BUFFER – The draft received from Scott on July 22, 2020 was reviewed.

Page 1. Agricultural Activity – should read: “Activities associated with agriculture including the work of producing crops including tillage, plowing, disking, harrowing, planting or harvesting crops; or pasturing and raising of livestock; and installation of conservation measures. Construction of new buildings or impervious area is not considered an Agricultural Activity.”

Page 2. Check with township engineer, Ron Ragan regarding three different Impervious area in Z.O., S.W and Riparian Buffer Ordinance.

Page 3. Remove “Intermittent Stream” paragraph
Moderate Slope(s) – Will send to Ron Ragan for review

Page 4. Steep Slope(s) – Will send to Ron Ragan for review.

Page 8. Section 1432.E Uses Permitted – The Supervisors will discuss this again when Supervisor Fleischmann is present.

Page 9. Section 1432 E. 2.- Supervisor Rugen will send this to Brandywine Conservancy, John Theilacker for review

Page 10. Section 1432 F.1 – Supervisor Rugen will send this to Brandywine Conservancy, John Theilacker
Section 1432 F.6a – will get definition of what this means. Delete “at canopy closure” in the sentence.

Page 11. 6.b – Delete “as determined by the Township”

Page 12. Delete first paragraph.

HIGH TUNNELS – Waiting for information from the State.

TRANSPORTATION STEERING MEETING – Howard stated that the first zoom meeting was held. Area of concern is the intersection in Nottingham, route 272 and Baltimore Pike.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, the work session was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Daggett
Secretary