

**UPPER OXFORD TOWNSHIP
SEPTEMBER 28, 2020**

Upper Oxford Township Board of Supervisors held a scheduled monthly work session at the Township Building, 1185 Limestone Road, Russellville on Monday, September 28, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Howard Reyburn
 Scott Rugen
 Charles Fleischmann

Jane Daggett, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by the Chairman, Scott Rugen. Items discussed are as follows:

COCHRANVILLE FIRE COMPANY – Scott attended the meeting held September 21, 2020 at the fire company. This year there will be no auction or carnival. Their money numbers are down and they will be asking for any consideration the township might offer during budget time. Presently we paid 4/10th of a mill. Scott will print out reports showing what the amounts would be if we went to ½ mill. Scott also reported that only 53% of the townships participated in the recent study done by the Chester County Fire Chiefs Association.

WOODLAND MAPPING – These samples will be forwarded to the Planning Commission members to review. Scott was notified that Harold Bryson has retired from the Planning Commission so a replacement will be sought.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE – Scott is providing articles from the Chester County Ledger regarding planning and historic preservation and tools to be used to encourage owners to preserve. The Board of Supervisors previously adopted an Historic Atlas that was prepared by Chester County Historic Department and our Historic Commission.

NOXIOUS WEEDS – The draft ordinance was reviewed by the Supervisors.

Page 1, Section 3, 2nd sentence will read “The notice may direct and require such owner or occupant to remove, cut, or trim such grass, weeds, or vegetation so as to conform to the requirements of this ordinance, with fourteen (14) days after issuance of such notice.

Page 2, second paragraph shall be deleted.

Page 2, Section 5, 1st sentence shall read “All land in agricultural use shall be exempt from this ordinance. Additionally, the date of June 25th was discussed and if we should make allowance for other conservation programs. The Secretary was instructed to contact our Zoning Officer to see how strong the present weed ordinance is.

RIPARIAN BUFFER – This will be a “stand alone” ordinance. The Board of Supervisors reviewed the comments received from John Theilacker of Brandywine Conservancy. Page 9 - Section 2.c will be replaced with John Theilacker 3.1. Page 10 – Tom Oeste comments - #19 – Scott will respond to. Regarding comments from Ragan Engineering – we need to consider definitions of Impervious Cover, Steep Slope (Moderate) and Steep Slope (Severe). The Board of Supervisors will get other definitions of Impervious Covers. This will be tabled until Chester Water Authority ordinance is available.

ADJOURNED – The work session was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Daggett
Secretary

