

**UPPER OXFORD TOWNSHIP
OCTOBER 31, 2022**

Upper Oxford Township Board of Supervisors held an advertised work session at the township building, 1185 Limestone Road, Russellville, on Monday, October 31, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

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

OTHERS: Ron Ragan, township engineer, Colin Kraucunas, Dave Underwood and Elizabeth Randolph

STORM WATER – The draft ordinance was reviewed. Items discussed and reviewed are as follows:

Section 202 – Impervious surface – decks, swimming pools and stone with no vehicular traffic removed from definition. Added will be “clean stone, eg., river gravel, AASHTO#57, PA 2b to clarify what kind of stone would not be considered impervious.

Previous ordinance threshold are ok to keep,

Table 106.1 – less than 1,000 sf new impervious and less than 5,000 sf earth disturbance – does not require SW management

Section 106.D – between 1,000 sf and 2,000 sf of new impervious and between 5,000 and 10,000 sf of earth disturbance is eligible for a simplified method of SW management

Table 106.1, Section 106.D – greater than 2,000 sf of new impervious or greater than 10,000 sf of earth disturbance need an engineered SW management

Section 311.E – greater than one acre of earth disturbance must do an NPDES Permit.

Section 105.C.2 – keep the approach to permit the exemption to stand even after the second project puts them over the threshold is proposed.

Article VII – use of Blanket Easement” in lieu of an easement defined by “metes and bounds”. – Ron will check with CCHD to see how they handle septic system and to check with our Solicitor to see how to go forward. Make sure the caveat that the runoff from the previous existing project is not creating any impacts.

Section 402.B.8.h – add an option to use LIDAR 2, Contour Date – make sure that the caveat about only in open areas with the Township Engineer’s approval.

Appendix A – Simplified Method – continue with the use of the 2013 version and use the same O & M Agreement that the engineered SW Plan.

Appendix E – use standard O & M Agreement – separate accounting of fees and collection of fees were discussed

Section 104.A use of the term “As amended”. Would like to strike this. Ron will check with the Solicitor.

Section 106.C.5.c.i – add language to address concerns regarding 25% of existing building and also High Tunnel definition and flooring language.

RIPARIAN BUFFER

Discussion held on the following:

Definitions of Agricultural Activity, Agriculture, Existing, Agricultural Operations (SALDO and ZO)
Additionally, Section 1432 was discussed, A, - Purpose, B - Applicability regarding the uses and activities regulated by Section 1432. Should a subdivision trigger the need for a Riparian Buffer; non-compliance, reviews and C –

Exemptions and what would trigger an exemption. The RB ordinance was deliberately put in the Zoning Ordinance instead of the SALDO. New activities impact our water ways. The subdivisions presently being reviewed were discussed and if the RB should impact these subdivisions. In one case a simple conservation plan would be suffice. The possibility of having a Covenant document was also discussed, Supervisor Rugen will reach out to the township Solicitor regarding a covenant on the plans and if the Solicitor could give any type of a documental check list on the correct process .

OLD LIMESTONE ROAD

The Supervisors budgeted money for this road in the next year's budget and have AARP fund available. The Grant that was applied for regarding Grist Mill, did not come thru but is still being considered in the second round. The Township needs to get permission from the property owners before we can enter their property to do any work. Ron provided the supervisors with a map regarding his suggestions. Discussion was held regarding if we should reach out to Penn Dot regarding their project.

HOWARD AND JANET ROBINSON – Attended the BOS October 10, 2022 meeting seeking a waiver from doing a Storm Water Plan. The Supervisors informed them that they had no authority to grant relief and that they should talk with their engineer regarding the calculations if they feel they are incorrect. DEP can grant modifications however.

FLAG LOTS – We will discuss these at the November 7th Planning Commission meeting.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, motion was made to adjourn at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Daggett
Secretary