

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS MEETING
October 2, 2024**

OFFICIALS PRESENT:	SUPERVISORS:	Chairman Donald S. Geistwhite, Jr.
	VICE-CHAIRMAN	Steven Larson
	SUPERVISOR:	William H. Goodhart
	SOLICITOR:	Keith O. Brenneman
	ENGINEER:	Bud Grove
	PUBLIC SAFETY	
	DIRECTOR:	Chief Steve D. Kingsborough
	FIRE / EMC:	Chief Edwin Beam
	ZONING OFFICER:	Mark D. Carpenter
	ASST. CODES ENFORCEMENT/ MS4 COORDINATOR:	Gerald Steigleman
	ROADMASTER:	Zachary L. Zook
	MANAGER:	Eileen M. Gault

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Chairman Geistwhite called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., with Township Solicitor Mr. Brenneman leading the pledge to the flag in the Middlesex Township Municipal Building.

PUBLIC HEARING: Discussion and possible action to consider an Ordinance amending the Middlesex Township Zoning Ordinance with respect to increasing the height of hotels and motels in the CH-Commercial Highway Zoning District. Chairman Geistwhite announced that the first order of business is a Public Hearing in which he then turned the meeting over to the Township Solicitor Mr. Brenneman. Mr. Brenneman stated that the public hearing is for the purpose of a proposed amendment to the Middlesex Township Zoning Ordinance. The amendment proposes an increased height of hotels and motels in the CH-Commercial Highway Zoning District. Mr. Brenneman then gave a summary of the procedures followed prior to the hearing. Mr. Brenneman then asked if the Supervisors had any questions or comments concerning the proposed ordinance, hearing none, Mr. Brenneman then asked if there was any public comment, which there was none.

Chairman Geistwhite then declared the meeting closed.

Discussion and possible action to adopt Ordinance No. 1 – 2024 amending the Middlesex Township Zoning Ordinance with respect to increasing the height of hotels and motels in the CH-Commercial Highway Zoning District: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to adopt Ordinance 1 – 2024 amending the Middlesex Township Zoning Ordinance to allow hotel and motel structure height up to 65 feet in the CH-Commercial Highway Zoning District.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mrs. Paula Whitman, 97 S. Middlesex Road stated that she appreciated the phone calls that her husband received before the last Supervisor Meeting to let her know that the meeting was cancelled.

MS4 / STORMWATER: Assistant Zoning Officer/MS4 Coordinator Mr. Steigleman reported that the township's application for the Clean Water Grant Program has been selected to be included in the 2025 Cumberland County Countywide Action Plan Block Grant for PADEP approval. If DEP approves the township's project, a portion of the CAP Block Grant's allocation will partially fund the township's

project at \$226,000 contingent upon the Growing Greener Plus program's funding award. If the Growing Greener fully funds the township's project, then the award from the Clean Water Grant Program will be reallocated. If the township is partially funded under Growing Greener, then the township will be able to utilize both funding sources to complete the project.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The September 27, 2024, minutes were not ready for review.

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the payment of the bills for October 2024.

REPORTS:

Solicitor – No report.

Engineer – Mr. Grove reported that Max Stoner has completed the revised 6 in. force main design for Country Club Road.

Director of Public Safety – Chief Kingsborough submitted the monthly Police Report. Report was entered into record.

Fire/EMC – Chief Beam submitted the monthly Fire Report. Report was entered into record.

Zoning – Mr. Carpenter submitted the monthly Zoning Report. Report was entered into record.

Codes Enforcement – Mr. Steigleman submitted the monthly Codes Enforcement Report. Report was entered into record. There was a brief discussion about the condition of some of the properties along Harrisburg Pike in which Mr. Steigleman has served a citation letter to. He will continue to follow up with an enforcement visit if needed.

Roadmaster – Mr. Zook reported there was some work that was done in the park and brush was ground for compost by Cumberland Valley Tree Service. Hampden Township is in the process of obtaining composting equipment from the County and forming a program like what the County had. The paperwork has been submitted to PennDOT for the turn restrictions at Deer Lane. Mr. Zook then showed pictures of the pipelining project that was done at Meadows Development.

Recreation/Recycling Coordinator – Mrs. Jumper submitted the monthly Recreation Report. The report was entered into record. Mrs. Gault thanked the Board and Staff for all their support before and during the Fall Festival. The Supervisors thanked Mrs. Jumper for all her hard work.

Municipal Authority – Chairman Geistwhite that things are going well at the Municipal Authority

Manager – Mrs. Gault reported that the Cumberland County Tax Bureau Report reflects the monthly comparison and the year-to-date comparison showing a difference of \$747 less from September 2023 to September 2024. The Supervisors commented on how good things looked and had no questions regarding the report. The staff and manager are currently working on the budget to present to the Supervisors.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion and possible action on request for reduction of Improvement Security for Cumberland Preserve Phase 1 Subdivision Plan: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, on the recommendation of Township Engineer Mr. Grove in his memo dated September 30, 2024, it was unanimously agreed to reduce the Improvement Security by \$67,797.09, leaving a remaining balance of \$358,259.35.

Discussion and possible action on extension of review time for Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan for Pine Hill Lot 1, Paint Booth Building & Trailer Parking: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to grant the extension of review time for the Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan for Pine Hill Lot 1, paint booth building & trailer parking until January 3, 2025.

Discussion and possible action on release of Improvement Security for Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan for Jack Williams Tire & Auto Service Center: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, on the recommendation of Township Engineer Mr. Grove in his memo dated October 1, 2024, it was unanimously agreed to release the Improvement Security for the Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan for Jack Williams Tire & Auto Service Center, subject to receiving Maintenance Security in the amount of \$27,483.21.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion and possible action on North Middleton Letter of Support to facilitate the development of a comprehensive parks, recreation, and open space plan: Township Manager Mrs. Gault reported that North Middleton Township is seeking a Letter of Support from Middlesex Township for the development of a comprehensive parks, recreation and open space plan. On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Township Manager to endorse a Letter of Support on behalf of the Township Supervisors for North Middleton Township to facilitate the development of a comprehensive parks, recreation and open space plan.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: There was no Executive Session.

There being no further business, on the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.