

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
WORKSHOP MEETING
July 27, 2018**

OFFICIALS PRESENT: **SUPERVISORS:** Chairman Donald S. Geistwhite, Jr.
 Vice-Chairman Steve Larson
 William H. Goodhart
 SOLICITOR: Keith O. Brenneman
 DIRECTOR OF
 PUBLIC SAFETY: Barry L. Sherman
 ZONING OFFICER: Mark D. Carpenter
 MANAGER: Eileen M. Gault

OFFICIALS ABSENT: **ENGINEER:** Bud Grove

Chairman Geistwhite called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. in the Middlesex Township Building.

PUBLIC HEARING: AMENDING THE MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE WITH RESPECT TO WHOLESALING, STORING, WAREHOUSING AND DISTRIBUTION CENTERS: Chairman Geistwhite announced that the first order of business is a Public Hearing in which Chairman Geistwhite then turned the meeting over to the Township Solicitor Mr. Brenneman. Mr. Brenneman gave a summary of the procedures followed prior to the hearing. Present to represent the applicant are Ms. Sherrie Gayed, North Pointe Development and Ms. Terri Delo, BL Companies. The hearing was stenographically recorded and concluded at 7:35 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

Chairman Geistwhite announced that prior to the meeting there was an Executive Session on personnel matters and potential litigation.

PROPOSED ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 2 – 2018 ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHOLESALING, STORING, WAREHOUSING AND DISTRIBUTION CENTERS: On the motion of Vice – Chairman Larson, seconded by Chairman Geistwhite, it was unanimously agreed to adopt Ordinance 2 – 2018 Zoning Ordinance text amendment with respect to wholesaling, storing, warehousing and distribution centers without change to the building height language.

BIBLE BRETHEREN CHURCH 7600 WERTZVILLE ROAD – SEO ACTION REVOKING SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM PERMIT: Mr. John Winand, Jr. was present to request an appeal from a decision by Middlesex Township Sewage Enforcement Officer (SEO) Mr. Vincent Elbel revoking the permit for a sewage disposal system located at 7600 Wertzville Road. The law states that the privy must be at least 50 feet from any water supply and 50 feet from the building served. The actual tank and toilets are 55 feet from the water supply and the building served. The building that houses the privy is 47 feet away from the water supply. Township Solicitor Mr. Brenneman stated that since DEP is not able to grant a variance, it was suggested that the Supervisors have a hearing. The hearing will be advertised for August 31, 2018.

APPLICATION FOR ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT TO ALLOW STORAGE USE IN RESIDENTIAL COUNTRY (RC) DISTRICTS: Present are Mr. Bill Shearer, Jr., Associate Broker, applicant Mr. George Costopoulos and property owner Mr. James Costopoulos. The applicant is proposing a zoning amendment to permit repurposing/reuse of property located at 3101 Spring Road from an existing mobile home park (Mountain View) to a self-storage business consisting of a group of relocatable steel buildings containing individual compartmentalized access stalls or lockers for the storage of customers' goods/wares. The Supervisors are in favor of this change and see it as an improvement to the area. Township Solicitor Mr. Brenneman and Zoning Officer Mr. Carpenter will review the uses in the district further and propose some suggestions.

PROPOSED ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 3 – 2018 ESTABLISHING STOP INTERSECTIONS AT THE INTERSECTION OF CLAREMONT ROAD AND SOUTH MIDDLESEX ROAD: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to adopt Ordinance 3 – 2018 establishing stop intersections at the intersection of Claremont and South Middlesex Road.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY TAX CLAIM BUREAU REPOSITORY SALE CONSENT: These properties were subject to both statutory upset sale and judicial sale but no bids were received to satisfy the municipal and/or school tax obligations that were owed on the properties. With the properties being in repository status, there is no tax revenue being generated. The Real Estate Tax Sale Law provides that the Tax Claim Bureau may accept an offer of any price on properties placed in the repository of unsold properties with the consent of all taxing districts where the property is located. On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to consent to Cumberland County selling the two (2) properties in Middlesex Township listed on the County Repository List under their cover letter dated July 16, 2018.

2018 LINE STRIPING BID AWARD: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to award the bid for Line Striping at \$0.0999 for double yellow lines and \$0.04998 for single white lines for a total of \$31,925.82 to Alpha Space Control Co., Inc.

BID AWARD SURPLUS PROPERTY: There were four (4) surplus items placed on Municibid. 1) laptop computer stands 2) 2013 Ford Taurus 3) prisoner transport cage 4) open sky radios.

There were no bids received for the laptop computer stands.

On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to award the bid for the 2013 Ford Taurus to Kentys Miller of Washington, DC Maryland in the amount of \$3,157.00.

On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to award the bid for the prisoner transport cage to Michael Taylor, Silverhill Police Department Alabama in the amount of \$82.00.

On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to award the bid for the open sky radios to Mark Rider of Mountour, PA in the amount of \$120.00.

Director of Public Safety gave an update on the mowing of the property at 1700 Harrisburg Pike. The representatives of the property owners are in receipt of the letter sent by the Township Solicitor requesting the cleanup and securing of the vacant property.

There being no further business, on the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 a.m.