

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
WORKSHOP MEETING
October 29, 2021**

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Stanley Tarka, 210 N. Old Stonehouse Road, stated that he is interested in three items further down on the agenda and would wait until then to discuss.

Kelly Lauer was present for the Public Hearing that had been postponed until December 30, 2021. She was advised by the Township Solicitor to call the Township ahead of time to be sure the hearing is still scheduled.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE MOTION ON REVISED PRELIMINARY / FINAL MAJOR LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN, U-GRO LEARNING CENTRE AT 1151 HARRISBURG PIKE:

Mr. Greg Schwartz representative from Williams Site Civil, presented to the Supervisors the revised plan with the minor changes to be made. After some discussion, on the motion on Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to reapprove the Preliminary/Final Major Land Development Plan for U-Gro Learning Centre at 1151 Harrisburg Pike, as last revised October 14, 2021, with minor plan revisions including reducing the areas of building, parking and playground improvements; subject to the same 6 waivers of township ordinances and the same 8 conditions of plan approval as those approved by the Board of Supervisors on January 6, 2021, and to waive the requirement that the Planning Commission review the Plan, subject to final review and approval of plans by the Township Engineer.

AWARD PRESENTATION FOR PATROL OFFICER ROBYN VON LUMM: On behalf of the Board of Supervisors and the residence of Middlesex Township a Certificate of Accommodation was presented to Patrol Officer Robyn Von Lumm for her successful delivery of a baby while on duty.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE MOTION OF APPALACHIAN ESTATES/APPIAN DRIVE ROAD REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS:

Township Engineer Bud Grove was present to report on the status of the road repairs and improvements for Appalachian Estates. Also present was Mr. Fred Tiday and his contractor Mr. Ron Findley. It was decided that there was no time left this year due to weather to complete the job properly, therefore, the work is being postponed until next Spring. The main

concern is the obligation to the residence. After much discussion, the Supervisors decided not to draw on the Letter of Credit (financial security) that the Township is holding and instead require Mr. Fred Tiday to post an additional 10% of what is currently being held. The Supervisors have agreed to let Mr. Fred Tiday honor his commitment to correctly complete the road repairs no later than the end of May 2022 and he must properly maintain the road this winter, providing the Township with the name and contact information of who will be performing winter maintenance. If Mr. Fred Tiday fails to meet any part of this commitment, the Township will seek further legal action.

DISCUSSION OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDING: Township Manager Mrs. Gault provided the Supervisors with a list of nine particular items / suggestions for the use of the American Rescue Plan funds. After much discussion, it was agreed that the top priority is the radio system upgrades to be compliant with the County radios and traffic signal cameras & pre-emption devices along Harrisburg Pike. As suggested previously by Mr. Stan Tarka, it would be helpful if the County would use their funding to help with the purchase of the radio system. Until a final rule is provided from the U.S. Treasury the Township has decided to hold off on spending the funds for now.

DISCUSSION OF 2022 DRAFT BUDGET: Township Manager Mrs. Gault reported that this is just a draft version of a balanced budget for review by the Supervisors. There was some discussion of some of the changes. Mrs. Gault reminded the Supervisors that she is still awaiting the final assessment from the County in order to calculate the approximate expected real estate tax revenue.

SUPERVISOR / STAFF COMMENTS: Township Engineer Mr. Grove reported that Blue Beacon has met their obligation for Maintenance Security, therefore, their Letter of Credit can be released or just let expire. This will be tabled until the November 3, 2021, meeting.

Roadmaster Mr. Zook reported that he was contacted by a resident about picking up trash along the roads. The Supervisors asked Mr. Zook to obtain more information before a decision is made.

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 8:30 a.m. to Executive Session with no action to be taken as a result.