

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
WORKSHOP MEETING
November 18, 2016**

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 7:32 am in the Middlesex Township Building.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – OCTOBER 5, 2016: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to approve the minutes of October 5, 2016.

ROSS & DOLORES FAILOR – APPLICATION TO ADD 100.9 ACRES TO EXISTING AGRICULTURAL SECURITY AREA: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to acknowledge receipt of the application of Ross H. and Dolores Failor to add County Tax parcel identification numbers 21-05-0429-001 and 21-05-0429-046 for a total of 100.9 acres of property to the existing Agricultural Security Area in Middlesex Township.

COMFORT INN LAND DEVELOPMENT – REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF IMPROVEMENT SECURITY: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to acting on the written recommendation of Township Engineer, Bud Grove of Skelly & Loy dated November 16, 2016 to approve release of improvement security being held for the Preliminary/Final Subdivision Plan and Major Land Development Plan for Comfort Inn (Shady Lane), subject to receiving the required maintenance security in the amount of \$71,735.09 in a form acceptable to the Township Solicitor.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE FOR A STOP INTERSECTION AT MICHELE DRIVE AND NORTH MIDDLESEX ROAD; PROHIBITING THE PARKING OF VEHICLES EACH NOVEMBER 1 – APRIL 1: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Solicitor to advertise for proposed enactment on December 30, 2016 an ordinance for a stop intersection at Michele Drive and North Middlesex Road and no parking from November 1 through April 1.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE PARKING OF VEHICLES ON NORTH OLD STONEHOUSE ROAD 1000 FEET ON EACH SIDE SOUTH OF APPALACHIAN DRIVE: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Solicitor to advertise for proposed enactment on December 30, 2016 an ordinance prohibiting the parking of vehicles on North Old Stonehouse Road 1000 feet on each side south of Appalachian Drive.

MEADOWBROOK FARM ROAD DEDICATION: Mr. Sherman reported that he spoke with Mr. Claypool who is willing to pay the difference for snow plowing since the roads have not been dedicated to the Township. The Township Solicitor reported that the deed is fine, however, the title search is not. This matter has been tabled until all documents have been received and in correct form.

AUTHORIZATION TO SELL ON MUNICIBID A RIDING LAWN MOWER WITH ATTACHMENTS: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Director of Public Safety to sell on Municibid a riding lawn mower with attachments.

PROPOSED ADOPTION OF 2017 BUDGET: After a brief discussion, on the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to approve the tentative 2017 budget for Middlesex Township.

AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR REVIEW THE PROPOSED 2017 BUDGET: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize for advertisement the tentative 2017 budget for review.

AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE THE 2017 REAL ESTATE TAX RATE AND FOOT FRONTAGE ASSESSMENT FOR LIGHTING IN STREET LIGHT DISTRICT 1 & DISTRICT 2: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Solicitor to advertise the 2017 Real Estate Tax Rate and Foot Frontage Assessment Ordinance for Street Light District 1 & District 2 for proposed enactment on December 30, 2016.

Mr. Carpenter reported that Hotel Carlisle is having an auction. There is a preview of the merchandise on November 21, 2016 and December 2, 2016.

Mr. Carpenter reported that an on-lot soil testing was done at the Sheely property by Michelle Schetter of Schetter Environmental. A verification of prior testing was accepted by Vince Elbel, SEO of Middlesex Township and submitted to Mr. Carpenter. The probes were also verified by the soil scientist of DEP.

There being no further business, on the motion of Vice-Chairman Larson, seconded by Chairman Geistwhite, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 a.m.