

**WORCESTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORK SESSION
WORCESTER TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY HALL
FAIRVIEW VILLAGE, WORCESTER, PA
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2016 – 6:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER by Chair Caughlan at 6:01 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: SUSAN G. CAUGHLAN [X]
STEPHEN C. QUIGLEY [X]
ARTHUR C. BUSTARD [X]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Chair Caughlan noted Supervisor Quigley, Supervisor Bustard and Tommy Ryan, Township Manager, recently attended the Worcester Volunteer Fire Department annual banquet, at which event Department officials thanked the Township for its support of their all-volunteer organization.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Jim Mollick, Worcester, commented on the permitted public comment period at public meetings, the withdrawal of two matters of litigation, charges on certain invoices issued by the Township Solicitor, and the performance of the Chair.

PRESENTATIONS

- a) stormwater ordinance – Joe Nolan, Township Engineer, provided an overview of a proposed stormwater management ordinance the Township must adopt to remain compliant with certain Federal and State mandates. Mr. Nolan noted that proposed would serve as a “stand-alone” ordinance, codified as its own chapter in the Township Code.

Mr. Nolan noted that subject to the regulations included not only subdivision and land development applications, but also redevelopment projects, certain residential improvements, and select grading activities. Mr. Nolan commented on exempted activities, a simplified process for smaller projects, and the possibility of creating a stormwater fund, and assessing a contribution to this fund, for certain projects.

Mr. Nolan commented on the drafting of the proposed ordinance, and the extent to which the ordinance language is mandated by Federal and State law, and as such not able to be revised by the Township.

Mr. Nolan commented on the processing of permits under the proposed ordinance, and the responsibilities of Township staff in this regard.

Mr. Nolan commented on operation and maintenance agreements for stormwater facilities situated on private property.

Mr. Nolan confirmed the proposed ordinance would be effective at the time of its adoption, and its provisions would not retroactively apply to past projects.

Supervisor Bustard commented on the additional responsibilities to be assumed by Township staff to meet this Federal and State mandate.

Supervisor Quigley commented on the responsibilities of the Soil Conservation Service and Conservation District.

Chair Caughlan commented on maintenance activities along public roadways and the configuration of stormwater facilities.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was discussed at this evening's Work Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business brought before the Board, Chair Caughlan adjourned the Work Session at 6:54 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Tommy Ryan
Township Manager