

May 4, 2021

Mr. Miller, President of the Board, convened the work session at 7:00 PM on the above date via ZOOM. Also, present were Commissioners Eckles, Milazzo, Pavone and Smock, as well as: Jason M. Bobst; Kathy K. Frederick; Dan Grieser, Esquire; Michael Kelly; Donna Horn; Michael Valyo; Jonathan Dzedzy; and Erik Garton. Five (5) additional attendees were on the ZOOM meeting.

Discussion

- A. The COVID-19 Clinic held on April 25th at the Jeffersonville Golf Club was a great event as per Mr. Bobst. Thanks were given to staff, police, pharmacy workers and volunteers for making it happen. The second dose vaccine clinic will be held on May 23rd at the same time and location. According to Mr. Bobst, "Mike did a hell of a job on that".*
- B. Ms. Milazzo requested consideration of the current zoning on home businesses and how it affects residents and neighborhoods. According to Ms. Milazzo, she was approached about a resident that appears to be running a business from his residence as the resident has employees parking on a residential street during the day and equipment running in early morning hours in his backyard. Mr. Bobst stated that we have a zoning ordinance in place that restricts home businesses, but that we can tweak our ordinance to regulate such activities as well. After discussion, Mr. Grieser noted that he will look into this for a response next week at the Board's regular meeting.*
- C. In response to a request by Ms. Milazzo for an update on the viability study of the banquet facility at Jeffersonville Golf Club, Mr. Bobst advised that the consultant is in the final phase of the study and that more information would be available in June when the study is slated for completion.*
- D. Mr. Smock added that he would like to look into a shredder event in the township. In response thereto, Mr. Bobst commented that we could partner with Representative Webster and/or Briggs for such an event as their offices have sponsored them in the past.*

Manager

Mr. Bobst stated that the following items would be considered for adoption at the Board's regular meeting of March 9, 2021:

- A. Awarding bid for the 2021 Road Paving Projects which is opening Thursday;*
- B. Awarding rebid for the short course at Jeffersonville Golf Club which is opening tomorrow.*
- C. Adopting Resolution #21-1669 supporting House and Senate Bills allowing local use of radar. According to Mr. Bobst,*

similar bills passed in the House last year, but failed in the Senate. It was noted by Chief Kelly that Pennsylvania is the only state in the union where radar can't be used on the local level, and he added this would give officers an opportunity to control speed in neighborhoods. Mr. Bobst stated that it would also give the police a more accurate tool for enforcement. Several questions were raised by the Board, including, but not limited to cost of radar equipment, calibration and training costs, and possible reduction of traffic control police. Chief Kelly offered to get pricing on radar equipment and advise the Board of such cost at its regular meeting next week. Mr. Bobst concluded by stating that adoption of the Resolution does not commit us to use radar, just supports its use and gives us the opportunity to do so if we chose. Mr. Smock added that he would like to have a say in whether or not we use radar.

- D. Adopting Ordinance No. 2021-75 amending Chapter 15 of the Motor Vehicle Code) Parts 2 and 6 – adding signage and roads for Markley Farms Phase I.*
- E. Authorizing execution of Stipulation and Order of Settlement for Tax Assessment Appeal for 1650 Christopher Lane.*
- F. Approval of a request for a handicapped parking spot @ 36 Centre Avenue.*

**Liaison
Committee
Reports**

Mr. Miller stated that no meeting of the EAC was had due to a lack of quorum.

It was mentioned by Ms. Pavone that the HRC is looking into a new logo and that a vaccine event is being held in Ambler on May 18th.

According to Mr. Smock, part II of the sign ordinance meeting of the Planning Commission was conducted and the only new issue which arose was billboards. Mr. Smock noted that “we would like to keep the East end of Barbados Island as open space” and that Michael Lowrey of the MCPC will take that under advisement.

Ms. Milazzo deferred to Mr. Dzedzy for the Parks and Recreation Committee report. Per Mr. Dzedzy, a drive-in movie night is schedule for May 22nd, and that the NASD and WNT have a reached an agreement for summer camp to be held this year at Marshall Street School.

**Public
Comment**

Per Mr. Bobst, one public comment was received Mary Ellen Moran via email prior to the meeting; however, Ms. Moran is present on the Zoom Meeting so she will make her comment.

Mary Ellen Moran of 714 Port Indian Road stated that she was happy to hear that the noise ordinance would be reviewed as the noise from the industrial park during business hours is problematic. Commissioners Miller, Pavone and Smock inquired about the details and timing of the noise and about the possibility of a sound barrier. Mr. Grieser suggested that this issue be tackled at the same time as the home-based business ordinance.

Kim Haymans-Geisler of 1810 Ardin Drive stated that she could not get into the Zoom meeting of the Planning Commission last night as the link was incorrect. Mr. Smock replied that he would send her the notes from the meeting.

There being no further public comments offered, upon motion of Ms. Milazzo, seconded by Ms. Eckles and unanimously agreed, the public comment portion of the meeting was closed.

**Upcoming
Meeting Dates**

According to Mr. Bobst, ZOOM meetings as follows are scheduled: Environmental Advisory Council on May 5th @ 7:00 PM; Planning Commission on May 17th @ 7:00 PM; and Human Relations Commission on May 27th @ 7:00 PM. No meeting of the Zoning Hearing Board is scheduled.

Comment

It was announced that as of tomorrow, May 5th, Montgomery County will not require appointments for its COVID vaccine sites.

Adjournment

There being no further items on the agenda, upon motion of Ms. Milazzo seconded by Ms. Eckles and unanimously approved, the work session was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

*Kathy K. Frederick
Assistant Secretary*

