CONEWAGO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
541 OXFORD AVENUE
HANOVER, PA 17331

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL MEETING AUGUST 24, 2020

Chair Charlotte Shaffer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Kurt Williams of Salzmann Hughes verified the Zoom participants and their ability to hear and speak during the meeting.

Participants in the meeting included James Strong, Barb Carbaugh, Michael Cooper-White of the Gettysburg Times, Jeff Rittase, Bill Rittase, Joan McAnall, Dani Smith, John Murren, Kelly Murren, Mike Murren, Judy Wilke, Fred Wilke, William Popovich, Ellen Ryan, Ellen Gebhart and Robert Miller.

Chair Charlotte Shaffer took roll call and the following Supervisors were in attendance:
Chair Charlotte Shaffer Supervisor Louann Boyer Supervisor Don Knight
Supervisor Thomas Klunk Vice Chair Thomas Weaver

The following appointed Township professionals were also in attendance:
Angela Pabon, Asst. Secretary/Treasurer Dave Arndt, Zoning & Code Enforcement Officer
Tim Shultis, Solicitor Kurt Williams of Salzmann Hughes

Due to the Local Disaster Declaration, the Board of Supervisors Special Meeting took place via Zoom.

Solicitor Tim Shultis advised of the following:

"On August 17, 2020, the Board of Supervisors, at their regularly scheduled meeting, passed a motion tabling the proposed enactment of Ordinance number 2020-C until the scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors scheduled for September 21, 2020. In accordance with section 604 of the Second Class Township Code, upon the call of the Chairman or by the agreement of the majority of its members, the Board may schedule a special meeting of the Board after notice required under the Sunshine Act is given. The notice of the special meeting must state the nature of the business to be conducted at the meeting. In accordance with section 604, a majority of the Board of Supervisors agreed to call a special meeting for the following purpose: to reconsider advertising a notice of proposed enactment of Ordinance 2020-C and the scheduling of a special meeting of the Board of Supervisors for that purpose, prior to the next regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors meeting scheduled for September 21, 2020. The meeting notice was advertised in the Gettysburg Times on August 22, 2020 and posted on the township website the same day, In accordance with the Sunshine Act and in accordance with Senate Bill 841, 35PACSA Section 57-41".

He advised there is only one agenda item to be discussed and now is the time for public comment related to the agenda item only. He also advised that one written public comment was received from Ellen Ryan of 36 Franklin Dr.

Public Comment on Agenda items

No Public Comment was provided.

Ordinance 2020-C

Chair Charlotte Shaffer advised the agenda item for the meeting is to reconsider advertising a notice of the proposed enactment of Ordinance 2020-C. Discussion occurred.

Vice Chair Thomas Weaver made a motion for Ordinance 2020-C, map change, to be advertised for a meeting on Wednesday, September 2nd at 6:00 P.M. and for the vote to be take that night following all public discussion and discussion of the Board of Supervisors. The motion died due to lack of a second.

Public Comment

Ellen Ryan of 36 Franklin Dr. questioned the Board regarding no one giving the motion a second. Additionally, she provided comment on Zoom meetings, overdevelopment and traffic concerns.
Chair Charlotte Shaffer responded to Ellen Ryan's question regarding the motion. She advised, as indicated at the last meeting, the Board was going to make a decision at the next regular Board of Supervisors meeting to provide time to review all material.

Fred Wilke expressed concerns regarding the motion not receiving a second and addressed the importance of the Susquehanna Riverkeeper information provided at a previous meeting.

Vice Chair Thomas Weaver made a motion to reconsider the previous motion to hold a meeting on September 2nd for the purpose of entertaining all discussion, public discussion and discussion of the Board members, and to vote on the map amendment that evening seconded by Supervisor Thomas Klunk.
Roll call: Supervisor Weaver- Yes, Supervisor Boyer- No, Supervisor Knight- No, Supervisor Klunk- Yes, Supervisor Shaffer- No Denied Vote 3-2

Bill Rittase commented on 2020-C regarding feedback from the County Comprehensive Plan, County Planning and Development and the Township Planning Commission.

William Popovich suggested moving the Planning Commission meeting back.
Chair Charlotte Shaffer advised his comment has been duly noted.

John Murren commented on land being changed from Agriculture to R-1 against the owner's request.

Supervisor Thomas Klunk asked that the request for the property to be changed back to Agriculture be put in writing by the Murrens'. Discussion occurred.

Mike Murren commented regarding his opposition to being in R-1 due to it affecting his taxes and the current status of the property being in Clean and Green.

Vice Chair Thomas Weaver commented in response to Bill Rittase's comment on the County Planning Commission's feedback and addressed their suggestion to complete the Comprehensive Plan.

Ellen Ryan of 36 Franklin Drive commented on the importance of Comprehensive Plans, the possibility of litigation, the economy and overdevelopment.

John Murren asked for clarification if 2020-C will be coming back to the regular meeting.
Chair Charlotte Shaffer responded yes.

Vice Chair Thomas Weaver commented on his failed motion, at the April meeting, for a proposal for Salzmann Hughes to put out an RFP for a Professional Planner for the Comprehensive Plan.
Chair Charlotte Shaffer responded that the Planning Commission suggested sending the Comprehensive Plan to the Engineer to be put in draft form and the Board is currently waiting on the draft.

William Popovich reiterated his comment on moving the Planning Commission meeting back.

Adjournment

Supervisor Thomas Klunk made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Supervisor Louann Boyer.
Roll call: Supervisor Weaver- No, Supervisor Boyer- Yes, Supervisor Knight- Yes, Supervisor Klunk- Yes, Supervisor Shaffer- Yes Approved Vote 4-1

Respectfully Submitted:

Angela Pabon, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer