# WORCESTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORK SESSION WORCESTER TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY HALL FAIRVIEW VILLAGE, WORCESTER, PA WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2018 – 6:30 PM

**CALL TO ORDER** by Chair DeLello at 6:31 PM

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## **ATTENDANCE**

PRESENT: RICK DELELLO [X] SUSAN CAUGHLAN [X]

STEVE QUIGLEY [X]

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

• Tommy Ryan, Township Manager, announced that following this evening's Work Session the Board of Supervisors will meet in Executive Session to discuss (1) a matter of potential litigation, regarding a reported violation of Township Code at private property, (2) a matter of litigation, DiGenova v. Worcester Township, Montgomery County Court of Common Pleas docket number 2018-07737; and, (3) a real estate matter, regarding the potential sale of Township property. A decision on the matter of litigation may be made at this evening's Business Meeting.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

- Jan Blegan, Worcester, commented on public comment permitted on an item to be discussed at this evening's Work Session.
- Jim Mollick, Worcester, commented a recommendation made by the Township Manager regarding appointments to the Planning Commission. Chair DeLello and Supervisor Quigley commented on persons who were aware of a recommendation made by the Township Manager regarding these appointments.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

roadway names – Supervisor Caughlan commented on a process for naming new roadways.

Mr. Ryan noted the Township Code requires proposed roadway names to be reviewed and approved by both the Worcester Township Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Ryan recommended that, moving forward, the Planning Commission be charged with identifying candidate names that reflect the history of the subject property or immediate area. This recommendation was agreeable to a consensus of the Members.

<u>equestrian activities</u> – Mr. Ryan provided an overview of data collected regarding existing off- and on-road trail segments between Heebner Park and Evansburg Park, in specific segment width, length, shoulders, waterway crossings and estimated cost to establish a twenty-foot wide corridor for multi-uses, including equestrian activities.

Supervisor Caughlan commented on uses permitted on the Perkiomen Trail, and on trail conditions and development at Nike Park and Heyser Field. Supervisor Quigley commented on cyclist use of the Moran Trail.

Chair DeLello and Supervisor Caughlan commented on the possible codification of trail user requirements. Mr. Ryan commented on the possible codification of trail user requirements, violations reported to the Township in recent months, and enforcement efforts.

Supervisor Quigley commented on potential conflicts between cyclists and equestrians. Mr. Ryan noted Evansburg State Park does not permit cyclists and equestrians to occupy the same trail corridor, for safety concerns.

Ms. Blegan commented on equestrian trail material, maintaining separate trails for equestrians and cyclists, and permitting equestrian uses in Heebner Park.

Eliza Walbridge, Whitpain, commented on public education efforts regarding multi-use trails that allow equestrians.

Supervisor Quigley commented on potential conflicts between active recreational uses and equestrians.

Mr. Ryan will contact Whitpain Township so to obtain design information for its multi-use trails that allow equestrians.

Dr. Mollick commented on potential conflicts between cyclists and equestrians.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

• There was no additional business discussed at this evening's Work Session meeting.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business brought before the Board, Chair DeLello adjourned the Work Session at 7:20 PM.

	Respectfully Submitted:
_	Tommy Ryan Township Manager