

**WORCESTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORK SESSION
WORCESTER TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY HALL
FAIRVIEW VILLAGE, WORCESTER, PA
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2021 – 6:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER by Chair DeLello at 6:30 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT:	RICK DELELLO	[X]
	LOU BETZ	[X]
	STEVE QUIGLEY	[X]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Tommy Ryan, Township Manager, announced this evening’s Work Session was being recorded for rebroadcast.
- Mr. Ryan announced the Board of Supervisors will meet in Executive Session after this evening’s Work Session meeting and/or before this evening’s Business Meeting to discuss three matters of litigation – (1) Zoning Hearing Board Application 2021-01, Berg; (2) North Grange LLC v. Worcester Township Zoning Hearing Board and Worcester Township, Montgomery County Court of Common Pleas Docket No. 2020-15258; and, (3) the municipal cure project as was set forth at the January 20 Business Meeting. Mr. Ryan noted a decision is expected to be made at this evening’s Business Meeting on one matter only, Zoning Hearing Board Application 2021-01, Berg.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Jim Mollick, Worcester, commented on the current inventory of land in the Township available for purchase, two proposed development plans at the Palmer property and the amount of open space shown on each plan, the timing of a potential open space referendum, tax increase impact on Township residents, and current investigations regarding open space acquisitions in past years.

PRESENTATIONS

open space referendum – Wini Hayes, Worcester, presented information regarding a potential open space referendum.

Ms. Hayes commented on Township farming history, notable natural features in the community, benefits of preserved open space, existing and proposed trails, open space acquisitions in past years, and the referendum process in Pennsylvania.

Burt Hynes, Worcester, presented information regarding a potential open space referendum.

Mr. Hynes commented on the timing of a potential open space referendum, Comprehensive Plan Update survey results, the community's changing landscapes, past and current land uses throughout the Township, open space referendum status throughout the region, referendum in a local election year, and open space referendum revenue yields in other municipalities.

Chair DeLello commented on currently-held open space and capital reserve funds, and voter turnout in municipal election years. Supervisor Quigley noted current investigations regarding open space acquisitions in past years.

OTHER BUSINESS

- There was no other business considered at this evening's meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Dr. Mollick commented on park maintenance and police service expenses.

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