

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

Public Hearing

March 5, 2018

Chairperson Lee called a public hearing of the Board of Supervisors to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the salute to the flag. Supervisors Welka and Davis were present, as were, Solicitor Christopher Sennett, Zoning Officer Miller, Engineer Jonas, Secretary Yeast, and sixteen interested persons.

CALL TO ORDER

Zoning Administrator Miller explained that the purpose of this hearing is to receive public input in regard to proposed Ordinance#2018-01 Small Flow Treatment Facility (SFTF). This Ordinance addresses an option available to property owners with failing septic systems that do not have access to sanitary sewer as well as property owners who would like to build a home on land that does not have access to sanitary sewer, do not have an approved septic site, and has access to a perennial stream for discharge. It provides for the execution of a SFTF Operation and Maintenance Agreement, standards for design, repair and management, enforcement, penalties, and provisions to establish an escrow account. Miller further explained that in the event sanitary sewer becomes available, the proposed Ordinance also requires the property owner to abandon the SFTF and tie into the sanitary sewer. This requirement mirrors the same requirement by the PA DEP.

PURPOSE OF HEARING:
Small Flow Treatment Facility Ordinance

Kevin Ingraham, 8905 Honeysuckle Drive, asked if a property owner invests in a SFTF and public sanitary sewer becomes available, is the property owner forced to connect. Miller responded; yes, the DEP requires it. Discussion ensued concerning the property liens. Miller further explained that this ordinance dictates the establishment of an escrow of (\$1,000) by the property owner to ensure the SFTF is maintained properly.

PUBLIC INPUT

With no further input from the public, motion by Welka, seconded by Davis, to close the hearing at 6:06 p.m.
Vote: 3/0

HEARING CLOSED

Respectfully submitted,

Christene S. Yeast
Recording Secretary
3/8/2017