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## **NEWTOWN AREA JOINT ZONING COUNCIL**

**2203 Second Street Pike, Wrightstown, PA**

**Monthly Meeting, October 6, 2022**

The Newtown Area Joint Zoning Council met on Thursday October 6, 2022 at Wrightstown Township.

Members present were Supervisors Chester Pogonowski and Jane Magne representing the Wrightstown Township Board of Supervisors; Supervisors Thomas Cino, Tim Thomas, Yvette Taylor and Ben Weldon representing the Upper Makefield Township Board of Supervisors; Supervisors John Mack and Elen Snyder (\*\*) representing the Newtown Township Board of Supervisors; Jerry Schenkman representing the law firm of Kilkenny Law, this year's Jointure solicitor. Also in attendance were Planning Commission member Kathleen Pisauro and Lisa Wolff and Jeremy Stoff from the Bucks County Planning Commission. Members designed by (\*\*) participated by Video Conference.

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 PM by Pogonowski. There were no audience members present with no virtual audience on Zoom.

The following actions were taken:

- The minutes from the September 1 meeting were approved by majority vote on motion by Mack and second by Pisauro.
- The October treasurer's report was reviewed. Mack reported an opening balance of \$\$30,496.08 as of 10/1/2022. There were two (2) cleared checks totaling \$305. There were three (3) outstanding checks totaling \$2972. Final account balance was \$27,524.08. The report was approved by unanimous vote on motion by Thomas and second by Cino. A copy of the report dated 10/05/2022 is **attached**.

Solicitor's Report:

- Schenkman reviewed status on the ordinances
- JMZO 2020-03 – Riding Academy Revisions. Proposed by Upper Makefield. Updated ordinance has been circulated to the PCs and BOSs for comment and authorization to advertise.
- JMZO-2022-01 – Wireless Communications –Joel Winston from the Cohen Law Group had made a presentation at the last meeting which resulted in retaining the services of the firm to redraft the ordinance which is expected to be completed in 6 months. Winston recommends that the Jointure adopt the “Design Manual” and a Fee Schedule. On motion by Pogonowski and seconded by Cino, the JZC authorized the solicitor to draft an JMZO amendment to authorized townships to adopt a Design Manual and to create a resolution adopting a fee schedule.
- JMZO2022-02 – Electric Vehicle Charging Station. Drafts have been circulated to the JZC. After discussion, the Solicitor was authorized to redraft the ordinance to address residential and commercial uses separately.
- Discussed the Jointure Agreement. The general consensus was every municipality was comfortable with eliminating the Joint Planning Commission as a stand-alone entity and work everything through a Joint Zoning Council which included the Supervisors and PC. Schenkman was authorized to redline the current agreement for review.
- JMZO2022-04 – All the PCs have received the ordinances. Waiting for comments from PCs and BOSs for authorization to advertise.

Planners:

- Wolff and Stoff reported on progress with the Comprehensive Plan which has been distributed to the Planning Commissions and Supervisors. The Newtown PC has asked to see a red line

version to show changes between old and new versions. Given the method used to develop the plan, this was not possible. The BCPC was authorized by the JZC to prepare a high-level summary of what has changed and circulate to the PCs. The Newtown EAC has also been reviewing the plan to share back. The JZC also had a discussion on the residential development analysis in the plan for clarification on a couple points. Council members also discussed how the plan would be reviewed in the townships.

Other Old Business:

- Still looking for Secretary.
- Discussion about letter from Ed Murphy concerning deer fence height, asking for a change in height regulations to reduce the number of variance requests. After discussion, the solicitor was authorized on motion by Pogonowski and second by Thomas to send a note to Murphy indicating that there are questions about the proposal and maybe he/an applicant could come to a JZC meeting and make a presentation.

Public Comment: No audience comments.

The next meeting will be held Thursday November 3, 2022 at 7:30 PM in Wrightstown Township.

There being no further items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 PM on motion by Mack and second by Snyder.

Respectfully submitted,

Chester Pogonowski, Chair

**JZC Treasurer's Report**

5-Oct-22

Current Balance **\$30,496.08**

**ACCOUNT ACTIVITY SINCE LAST REPORT**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
02-Sep-22	Check 2039: Dutko	\$ 250.00	
12-Sep-22	Check 2041: BCPC	\$ 55.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 305.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

**OUTSTANDING CHECKS**

<u>Check Number</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Check Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2042	David J. Dutko	5-Oct-22	\$ 250.00
2040	General Code	31-Aug-22	\$ 1,224.00
2043	Kilkenny: INV 10505	5-Oct-22	\$ 1,498.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$ 2,972.00</b>

**OUTSTANDING DEPOSITS**

<u>Deposit Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	\$ -

Updated Balance Going Forward **\$27,524.08**

**OUTSTANDING (UNPAID) INVOICES**

<u>INV#</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Invoice Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$ -</b>

Prepared by John Mack