

MINUTES FOR MARCH 19, 2019
VALLEY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PUBLIC HEARING

Valley Township Board of Supervisors held a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments regarding a proposed ordinance amending Chapter 22 of the Code of Ordinances of Valley Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, amending definitions and establishing standards for riparian buffers, access management, site landscaping, speed bumps, and pedestrian accessibility as follows:

Section 1 amends §203 by deleting and replacing definitions for access drive, building, accessory building, common open space, driveway, frontage, lot, lot width, mobile home, mobile home lot, mobile home park, public hearing, street, and subdivision. Section 2 amends §203 by revising the definitions for land development and landowner. Section 3 amends §203 by adding definitions for corner clearance, diameter at breast height, and outparcel. Section 4 amends §303.9.A by deleting reference to Board acknowledgement. Section 5 amends §304.7 by deleting reference to Board acknowledgement. Section 6 adds §402.D(16) to address ADA-compliant curb ramps. Section 7 amends §602.2 to provide regulations related to private streets. Section 8 amends §602.17 to remove a driveway reference. Section 9 amends §602.17.H to replace 25 with 24. Section 10 amends §602.18 regarding access drives. Section 11 amends §602.18 by adding a new subsection for speed bumps. Section 12 amends §602 by adding new regulations related to parking, access management, and traffic calming. Section 13 renumbers §603.A as §603.1 and deletes and replaces the section to address parking facilities. Section 14 deletes §603.B in its entirety. Section 15 deletes §603.3 in its entirety and replaces it with §603.2 to regulate buffer plantings. Section 16 deletes §603.4 in its entirety and replaces it with §603.3 to provide for parking lot landscaping regulations. Section 17 deletes §603.5 in its entirety. Section 18 deletes §603.6 in its entirety. Section 19 deletes §603.7 in its entirety. Section 20 adds new §603.4 to regulate pedestrian accessibility and §603.5 to regulate speed bumps. Section 21 renumbers §603.8 as §603.6. Section 22 renumbers §603.9 as §603.7. Section 23 amends §604.1 regarding sidewalks. Section 24 deletes and replaces §604.3 to provide regulations for sidewalks. Section 25 amends §604.4.A to address concrete used in sidewalk work. Section 26 amends §604.7 to address minimum slope. Section 27 amends §604.13 to delete the detail for alternate Belgian block curbing. Section 28 amends §604 to add §604.16 regulating ADA-compliant curb ramps. Section 29 amends §608.2 to provide for markers. Section 30 renames §610. Section 31 amends §610 by adding new §§610.3 and 610.4 to provide for riparian buffer protection standards and restoration and planting requirements. Section 32 amends §611.2 by adding requirements related to retained trees. Section 33 amends §611.3 to provide for tree and woodland replacement. Section 34 amends §611.4 to provide for protection of vegetation from mechanical injury and grading changes. Section 35 amends §611 by the addition for §611.5 to provide for landscaping requirements. Section 36 deletes §615.4F in its entirety. Section 37 provides for an effective date.

Vice Chairwoman Kathy O'Doherty opened the public hearing at 7:05 p.m. Those in attendance were Supervisors William Handy, Sr., Joe Sciandra, and Kathy O'Doherty. Supervisors Patrice Proctor and Christopher Lehenky were absent. Also in attendance were Carol R. Lewis, Township Manager; Andrew D.H. Rau, Township Solicitor; and Michael J. Ellis, P.E., Township Engineer.

Mr. Rau reviewed exhibits associated with the proposed ordinance amendment to include the notice to the *Daily Local News* to advertise in the March 5 and March 12, 2019, editions of their paper; a copy of the proposed amendment; a packet from Unruh, Turner, Burke and Frees sending a copy of the proposed amendment to the *Daily Local News* office and the Chester County Law Library for public review; and reserved exhibit sections for the Proof of Publication and comments from the Valley Township Planning Commission and the Chester County Planning Commission.

There were no comments from the public.

Mr. Handy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sciandra, to act on the proposed ordinance amendment during the Board of Supervisors' public meeting to be held following the hearing at 7:30 p.m. on March 19, 2019. The motion passed unanimously.

There public hearing was closed at 7:14 p.m.

Janis A. Rambo
Township Secretary