

THORNBURY TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Work Session

MINUTES – December 1, 2009

The Thornbury Township Board of Supervisors work session was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Thornbury Township meeting room. In attendance were Supervisors: Ed Travis, Chairman; Mike Gast, Vice-Chairman, Robert Miller, Board member, and Kathy Labrum Township Solicitor.

I. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Discussion – Route 202 Section 100

Ed Travis attended a Route 202 Section 100 Stakeholders meeting on November 30, 2009. He reported that the PennDOT consulting engineers, Urban Engineers, had reached a consensus on an approach for the improvements to Route 202. Through the use of computer modeling techniques they concluded that they would get the biggest bang for the buck by adding a third lane in each direction. They will use what they call a “Smart Transportation” design to create a footprint that is only two feet wider than the current footprint which contains two lanes in each direction. The new design will be comprised of two 12 foot wide lanes and one 14 foot wide lane in each direction. The center of the road will contain a 2 foot wide barrier with a 2 foot shoulder on each side of the barrier. That along with some improvements to turn lanes at major intersections would enable a significant increase in traffic throughput along the corridor. They believe that these modifications will satisfy the projected increase in traffic through 2035. At that point they may have to reconsider the implementation of clover leaf type intersections at Route 1 and 202, Route 926 and 202, Dilworthtown Road and 202, and Matlack Street and 202.

B. Discussion – Recent WCACOG Meeting

Mike Gast reported on two items discussed at the recent WCACOG meeting:

1 – Invasive Species of Plants in this Area - the level of intrusiveness of invasive species of plants in the area, some of the reasons as to why they are flourishing (e.g., deer eating native plants and allowing invasive species to spread), and ways to stop the spread of the invasive species.

2 – Route 202

C. Discussion – Status of Township Manager Search

Ed Travis and Mike Gast reported that the selection committee had been formed and was in the process of reviewing resumes and selecting the first tier of candidates to interview.

II. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa DeStefano