

**TABERNACLE TOWNSHIP
LAND DEVELOPMENT BOARD
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OCTOBER 5, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman McCarty, who read the required announcement pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act. Adequate notice of the meeting has been provided by sending it to the Burlington County Times in January, 2016, posting it on the official bulletin board of the Township, providing a copy to the Municipal Clerk, and mailing a copy of the notice to those persons who had requested a copy and posted the required fee for such service.

The following Board members were present: Joe Barton, Vince Conigliaro, Jim Ebersberger, Mark LeMire, Ray McCarty, Dave Oiler, Denny Stevens, John Sandman and Susan Brandt. Members absent: Doug Cramer and Noble McNaughton.

MASTER PLAN CONSISTENCY REVIEW

Chicken Ordinance

The Board reviewed a report by the Sub-committee, dated September 30, 2016.

During the public portion, Jim Jones, 16 Wimbeldon Way, spoke against the keeping of chickens on residential property. He has health concerns, specifically salmonella and predator activity, namely foxes and coyotes.

George Gates, 88 Oakshade Road, also had concerns on the impact on the neighboring properties. He feels it is a quality of life issue.

After a lengthy discussion and review of the Sub-committee report, the Board makes the following recommendations: a permit must be obtained for the keeping of chickens on a residential property; no more than 6 chickens per lot; no selling of any chicken products; keep pen and run inside of building envelope; coops should be at least 2 feet off the ground; placed on a concrete pad if on ground level; coop must be in the rear yard.

Ms. Stevens made a motion to send a Resolution to the Township Committee finding that the proposed Ordinance is consistent with the Master Plan. All members voted in agreement except Mr. Conigliaro and Ms. Brandt. Mr. Barton abstained.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Barton noted that the topics of Tabernacle Athletic Association and the Tabernacle Rescue Squad were not discussed at the last meeting, due to 2 Committee members being absent. October 10 is open house at the Fire Company to see the new fire truck. December 2 is the tree lighting ceremony.

Having nothing further, the meeting was adjourned.