

**LOWER OXFORD TOWNSHIP
PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT
HEARING MINUTES
December 10, 2014**

Chairman, Kenneth L. Hershey opened the Hearing at 7:07 p.m. and turned it over to the Township Solicitor, Mrs. Winifred Sebastian.

The Solicitor Presented the Procedures for the Hearing and the following exhibits:

1. Proof of Publication
2. Evidence of Forwarding to County Planning Commission
3. Forward to Chester County Law Library
4. Minutes from Lower Oxford Township Planning Commission
5. Comments from Chester County Planning Commission
6. Informal Memorandum from Oxford Region Planning Committee

The Solicitor then presented of elements of the proposed ordinance amendment. Mrs. Sebastian explained that the Township currently has provisions for billboards, this amendment would add new regulations for an automatic changeable copy sign face - an internally illuminated sign face comprised of light emitting diodes that is controlled remotely and equipped with ambient light sensors to control the display's intensity that is located on a barn-like structure.

Public Comment – Lower Oxford Township Residents and Property Owners

- Mr. Jim Donahue** – Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.
Mrs. Karen Pattinson - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.
Ms. Jane Downs - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.
Mr. John Formon - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.
Mr. Chuck Boohar - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.
Mrs. Georgi Emery - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.
Mr. Dave Neel - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.
Mr. Roland Pattinson - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.
Mr. Paul Emery - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.
Mr. David Jenkins - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.
Mrs. Julie Brady - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.
Mr. Roy Bryant - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.

Public Comment – Oxford Area School District Residents and Property Owners

- Mr. David Stewart, East Nottingham Twp.** – Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.
Mrs. Peggy Ann Russell, Oxford Borough – Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.
Mr. Robert Carney, East Nottingham Twp. – Spoke in favor of the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.
Ms. Anita Bower, West Nottingham Twp. - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.
Mr. David Ross, West Nottingham Twp. - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.

Mrs. Blair Fleischmann, Upper Oxford Twp. - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.

Ms. Shelley Thorstensen, Oxford Borough - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.

Public Comment – Others

Ms. Maureen Martinez, East Whiteland - Spoke in favor of the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.

Ms. Gwen Lacy, the Land Conservancy for Southern Chester County - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.

Mr. John Theilacker, Brandywine Conservancy - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.

Mr. Tom Haws, Westtown Township - Spoke in favor of the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.

Ms. Theodisia Price, Franklin Township - Spoke in opposition to the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.

Mr. Tom Comitta, West Chester – Offered his services to the Township as he has assisted Westtown and Concord Townships in the past.

Mr. Glenn Frick, Non-profit Agency - Spoke in favor of the proposed billboard ordinance amendment.

Mr. Larry Fazio, Upper Oxford Twp. - Spoke about the allowable size of the electronic billboard.

Adjourn Hearing

Mr. Kepler moved to adjourn the hearing at 8:05 p.m. Mr. Brown seconded the motion. All in Favor.
MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara B. Laganelli
Secretary

Note: Copies of the proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment are available at the Township Office.