Howe Township July 8, 2020

The Howe Township Board of Supervisors met in a special session at the Township garage at 53 Bucks Valley Road at 5:00 p.m. on July 8, 2020. Present: Chairman Dale Beaver, Vice Chairman Charles Burd, Supervisor Kathy Donahey, Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Cangioli, Central Keystone Council of Governments (CKCOG) representatives Makenzie Stover, David Hines, James Emery and Rodney Neitz. No residents were in attendance.

Chairman Beaver called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Secretary Cangioli called the roll. All Supervisors were present.

Chairman Beaver announced that he took the representatives from the Central Keystone Council of Governments on a tour of the township.

The Township Supervisors and the Secretary introduced themselves and gave a brief description of their roles and responsibilities.

The CKCOG members introduced themselves and gave a description of their roles in the COG. Makenzie Stover is a Zoning Officer, David Hines is the Zoning Administrator and certified Floodplain Manager, James Emery is the Code Enforcement Officer and Rodney Neitz is the Director and Building Code Official.

Rodney Neitz announced that the Board of the CKCOG has approved the membership of Howe Township to their organization.

The process and procedures of how their services work and who does what was discussed as well as the townships expectations. Their website has the information, zoning applications and fee schedule that are needed both for residential and commercial. David Hines reviewed their Zoning fee schedule. They are in the process of updating the schedule and would like the township to adopt theirs. The Howe Township Zoning Hearing Board will still be utilized.

Chairman Beaver provided them with copies of the Zoning, Floodplain and Nuisance Ordinances and the Zoning map. The township Floodplain application will be used by the COG. The township website will be updated with a link to the COG website. The current zoning issues and new requests were provided and discussed.

James Emery discussed the International Property Maintenance Code (IMPC) and the CKCOG Maintenance Code (CMC) that many townships and boroughs have adopted for the Boards consideration. A copy will be sent to Solicitor Jones for his review and comments.

To complete the membership to the CKCOG the ordinance needs to be adopted. It has been advertised for adoption at the July 16th Zoom meeting. A listing of the last 3 years of zoning permits that were issued was requested to be sent to them.

A motion was made to appoint Dale Beaver as the Howe Township representative to the CKCOG; Burd/Donahey. Motion carried.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m.; Burd/Donahey. Motion carried. Respectfully submitted, Nancy Cangioli, Secretary