

HEARING MINUTES
Thornbury Township Board of Supervisors Hearing
Monday, March 28, 2022

Ordinance 2022-1 Health Code Hearing

The Board of Supervisors held a public hearing on March 28, 2022 for the review of a Health Code Ordinance. Chairman Kelly introduced the proposed Ordinance.

PRESENT:

James P. Kelly, Chairman
Michael J. Mattson, Esq., Supervisor
Jeffrey Seagraves, Township Manager
Geoffrey Carbutt, Township Secretary
Kenneth D. Kynett, Esq., Township Solicitor
Attendees: 3

Chairman Kelly opened the Hearing at 6:00 pm with a salute to the Flag and public comment.

Pete Haws stated that moving forward with this is very good thing for the Township.

Chairman Kelly explained that the one of our concerns is when the County's board becomes an active Board of Health, they will not have the capacity, or be staffed well enough, to handle our needs and protect our residents in Thornbury. That is why we are doing this, until they come down to earth and are better prepared to manage this, our residents will be covered.

Ric Miller asked if the County can step in when they are prepared.

Chairman Kelly stated this will be in place in case they can't.

Scott Raimondo said that we are in good hands and he trusts that the Board is doing the right thing by putting this in place.

Ken Kynett cited Article 30 of the Second-Class Township Code and pursuant to that, stated this Board is authorized to create their own Board of Health and has done so by way of Resolution 11 of 2021, which created and established a Board of Health last year. Following that, the Township adopted Ordinance 1 of 2021, giving the Board of Health, and their Health Officer, the ability to enforce health regulations as adopted by the Township and as adopted by the State. What this Ordinance puts in place are the rules and regulations for implementing the guidelines and procedures of the Thornbury Township Health Code.

Ken then gave a detailed description of the proposed Ordinance, including what the Health Code regulates and cited the chapter titles as examples. He then noted the application had been advertised on March 18, 2022 in the Daily Times and introduced the Affidavit as Ordinance 1 of 2022- Exhibit A. He then proceeded to introduced the Ordinance itself which has been labeled as Ordinance 1 of 2022- Exhibit B.

Supervisor Mike Mattson mentioned this is modeled after other townships Health Codes.

Jeff Seagraves added it was also reviewed by our own Board of Health and explained the review process. Lastly, Jeff mentioned Dan Diedrich did a great job in putting this together.

Chairman Kelly closed the hearing at 6:16 pm

Respectfully,
Geoffrey Carbutt, Township Secretary