

TOWNSHIP OF UPPER TULPEHOCKEN
6501 Old Route 22, Bernville, PA Berks County
RESOLUTION No. 10 of 2021

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER TULPEHOCKEN, BERKS COUNTY, PA, AFFIRMING PUBLIC MEETING RULES AND REGULATIONS

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND ENACTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Upper Tulpehocken, Berks County, PA as follows:

WHEREAS, Upper Tulpehocken Township Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission, Zoning Hearing Board, Building Code Appeals Board, and all Township commissions shall be held to these rules. All hereafter referred to as the 'Board'.

NOW BE IT A RESOLVED that all regular and special meetings shall be conducted according to the following rules and regulations:

1. All individuals shall treat one another with dignity and respect.
2. A period of public comment shall be held at each regularly scheduled meeting. The Chair of the Board, or Acting Chair in the event of the Chair's absence, or legally appointed solicitor, shall preside over the public comment period, and shall:
 - a. Recognize individuals wishing to offer comment. Anyone wishing to address the Board should first obtain recognition by raising his or her hand. Outside of the public comment period, the Board may, at its discretion, recognize individuals for comment.
 - b. Require such persons to identify themselves with full name and address.
 - c. Rule out of order any comment the discernible purpose of which is to disrupt or prevent the conduct of the business of the meeting.
3. The time allocated for the public comment period at each meeting is four (4) minutes per person.
4. There is no reason for anyone to interrupt or speak over another person. The exception is that members of the Board have the right to interrupt any speaker for the purpose of clarification or a question or to extend that speakers time at their sole discretion.
5. All comments should be addressed to the Board and/or their legally appointed Solicitor. Arguments between parties or the public are prohibited.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors reserves the right to amend these rules at any time either verbally or in writing. Violation of any of the aforementioned rules may result in the individual being asked to leave the meeting by a member of the Board. Additionally, a member of the Board can request an individual to leave the meeting when they do not observe the rules of reasonable decorum. If an individual refuses to observe the rules of reasonable decorum, the chairman may adjourn the meeting. In addition, he or she may request the assistance of law enforcement officers in the removal of a disorderly person when that person's conduct may pose a threat to the safety and welfare of those in attendance. Any violation of the above rules will be deemed interference with the orderly process of the meeting.

DULY ENACTED AND APPROVED this 13th day of April, 2021.

TOWNSHIP OF UPPER TULPEHOCKEN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Steven Davis, Chairman

Robert Deisemann, Vice Chairman

David Yost, Member

Attest: _____
Susan Ehrets, Manager Secretary Treasurer