Manager's Report – February 2021

Office Activity.

- Permit applications, bills, deposits and bank reconciliations were handled in a timely manner. Review fee letters were emailed.
- Attended Board of Supervisors meeting (Feb 11), Police Commission (Feb 8),
- Completed Recycling Grant Final Report.
- Met with insurance agent on insurance needs current and future with police department.
- Meeting on PSATS convention (Feb 12)
- Audit – February 17.
- Followed up on Agnetti retirement paperwork.
- Meeting with vendor on copiers and servers. (Feb 17)
- Meeting with vendor on phone system and servers. (Feb 24)
- Meeting with potential developer of Dollar Tree site. (Feb 24)
- Scheduled Zoning Hearing Board Special Exception – March 15, 2021 at 3pm

Road Crew Activity.

- Snow – Feb 1, 2 and clean up Feb 3 to 11, Feb 18, 19, 22
- Clean up shop
- Clean out dump trucks
- Repairs to Truck #3
- Check drains
- MS4 Workshop – Shuman, Wise and Wolfe
- Repair sign on Slater
- Truck 4, 3 and 6 Inspection
- Repair plow Truck #7
- Fix manhole and water valves hit while plowing
- Assist MTA with lifting pump off truck at WWTP

Respectfully Submitted,
Diane Hollenbach, Manager

***Storm Water Committee will meet March 8th.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Zoning Hearing Board of Maidencreek Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 15, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. at the Maidencreek Township Building, 1 Quarry Road, Blandon, Pennsylvania 19510, to consider the application of DiGiorgio Mushroom Corp. The Applicant is seeking special exception relief from the Maidencreek Township Zoning Ordinance of 1993, as amended, to allow a nonconforming use of the property located at 1161 R Park Road, Maidencreek Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, Property ID #6154100638972 as a mushroom farming facility.
Copies of the Application, Zoning Ordinance and any other related items may be examined without charge or obtained for a charge not greater than the cost thereof at the Maidencreek Township Building by making an appointment with the Township Secretary during normal business hours.
The Applicant, all other interested parties and all citizens with standing who appear will have an opportunity to be heard at the time of the hearing. If you require special accommodations in order to attend the hearing, please contact Maidencreek Township at (610) 926-4920. Maidencreek Township will make every reasonable attempt to accommodate you.

Joan E. London, Esquire
Maidencreek Township
Zoning Hearing Board
Solicitor

RE Mar. 5 & 8 A-1

We Appreciate Your Business!
Thank You !

Township of Maidencreek 03/01/2021
Zoning and UCC Services
Great Valley Consultants – GVC #3026-007 and 3026-008

ZONING AND UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE SERVICES
Monthly Report – February 1, 2021 through February 28, 2021:

The following permits / plans were reviewed and processed:

21-014	02/04/2021 -	108 Stirling Street – Basement renovations for William Ryan
21-015	02/05/2021 -	947 Shoemakersville Road – Shed for Elam Leid
21-016	02/08/2021 -	8520 Allentown Pike – Occupancy for tenant space for Howard Frick
21-017	02/08/2021 -	536 Walnut Tree Drive – Sunroom for Kristy Kline
21-018	02/09/2021 -	103 Carmen Drive – Fence for Andrew Schmersahl
21-019	02/09/2021 -	410 Riviera Drive – In-ground pool for Jonathan Hykes
21-020	02/09/2021 -	8477 Allentown Pike – Relocate sign for Coliseum Place
21-021	02/10/2021 -	331 June Avenue – Roof replacement for Excelsior Real Estate
21-022	02/11/2021 -	108 Kensington Blvd. – Solar system for Shawn Taney
21-023	02/17/2021 -	402 Grandview Drive – Sunroom addition for Janice Chappie
21-024	02/23/2021 -	420 Liberty Drive – Solar system for Michael Mory
21-025	02/23/2021 -	104 Anna Avenue – Occupancy for tenant space for Emily Hartman
21-026	02/23/2021 -	276 North View Road – Fence for Adam Tranquillo
21-027	02/24/2021 -	10 Lakeview Drive – In-ground pool for Harry Dietz

The following were meetings or discussions for Zoning and Building Code services:

02/02/2021	-	Prepared and issued monthly report for January.
02/03/2021	-	Responded to emails from Kim Fasnacht of SSM regarding building code questions for the proposed Project Titan for Giorgio Foods.
02/05/2021	-	Discussion with Charles Saladay of 445 Coronet Drive regarding the rescheduling of the final inspections for the solar system.
02/05/2021	-	Discussion with Jules Hull of Hull Plumbing regarding the type of piping allowed for the new water service at 51 Hill Road.
02/08/2021	-	Discussion with Jim Klemmer of Empire Wrecking regarding the permits and fees required for demolition of buildings at 8472 Allentown Pike.

02/09/2021	-	Discussion with Alan of Fronheiser Pools regarding setbacks for an in-ground pool at 313 Sophia Blvd.
02/10/2021	-	Discussion with Sandy Delvecchio of 62 Mountain Spring Road regarding the keeping of chickens.
02/11/2021	-	Discussion with Sarah Gray (realtor) regarding the allowed uses of the property at 200 Sofia Blvd.
02/15/2021	-	Discussion with Spenser of Momentum Solar regarding the solar system at 11 Main Street.
02/22/2021	-	Discussion with Jackie Zales regarding the property at the end of Fox Run Place and the possibility of constructing a house and a barn for 5-6 steers.
02/24/2021	-	Discussion with Kim Raifsnyder of Berkshire Hathaway regarding the need for property transfer inspections in the Township.
02/25/2021	-	Discussion with Tara Himmelberger regarding a possible new single family dwelling on the vacant property at 131 Koller Road.
02/26/2021	-	Discussion with Mike James regarding a possible new single family dwelling on the vacant property at 131 Koller Road.
02/26/2021	-	Discussion with john Kowalski of AEM Architects regarding the need to renovations for Bulk Chemicals at 1076 Park Road due to EPA requirements.
02/26/2021	-	Discussion with Mark Plucker of 21 West Wesner Road regarding possible addition to the house for an attached garage and possible variances for front and side yard setbacks.

The following UCC inspections were performed:

02/08/2021	-	212 Anna Avenue – Lot 41 – Framing, Rough mechanical and rough electrical inspections - PASSED
02/09/2021	-	212 Anna Avenue – Lot 41 – Site visit regarding framing questions.
02/10/2021	-	212 Anna Avenue – Lot 41 – Fireblocking inspection – PASSED
02/10/2021	-	208 Anna Avenue – Lot 40 – Framing and rough electrical inspections – PASSED
02/12/2021	-	212 Anna Avenue – Lot 41 – Energy inspection – PASSED
02/12/2021	-	212 Anna Avenue – Lot 41 – Wallboard inspection – PASSED
02/22/2021	-	208 Anna Avenue – Lot 40 – Energy inspection – PASSED
02/22/2021	-	319 Cassidy Court – Framing and rough electrical inspections - PASSED
02/24/2021	-	112 Hammond Street – Final building and electrical inspections for solar system - PASSED
02/24/2021	-	319 Cassidy Court – Energy inspection – PASSED
02/24/2021	-	11 Main Street – Final building and electrical inspections for solar system – PASSED
02/25/2021	-	612 Bartlett Road – Framing and rough electrical inspections – PASSED
02/26/2021	-	104 Anna Avenue – Suite 5 – Final occupancy inspection - PASSED

The following were meetings, discussions, inspections or processing of documents / correspondence regarding enforcement of the Property Maintenance and/or Zoning Ordinances:

02/04/2021	-	Site visit to 8520 Allentown Pike regarding tenant occupation of Units 7 & 8 without occupancy permits and inspections.
02/09/2021	-	Site visit to 332 Cassidy Court regarding property maintenance issues.
02/12/2021	-	Reviewed files for outstanding NOV issues.
02/16/2021	-	Site visit to 104 Anna Avenue regarding work without permits. Prepared and issued NOV letter.
02/17/2021	-	Discussion with D. Hollenbach regarding a complaint about a horse escaping from the fenced area at 432 East Wesner Road and trespassing on neighboring properties.
02/25/2021	-	Prepared and issued letter to owner of 432 East Wesner Road regarding horse that escaped enclosures.

Maidencreek Township Authority

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February 25, 2021

Diane Hollenbach, Township Manager
P.O. Box 319
Blandon, PA 19510

Re: Maidencreek Township Authority
Five-Year Capital Project Plan

Dear Ms. Hollenbach:

The Maidencreek Township Authority (MTA) Board is pleased with the level of cooperation developed over the years between the Township and Authority. The MTA Board strongly supports maintaining this level of cooperation with the Township in order to cost effectively meet the future needs of both the taxpayers and ratepayers of the Township. As the Township Manager, you have played a significant role in maintaining cooperation between the two organizations. The MTA Board thanks you for your efforts.

With the above noted, the MTA Board has asked me to reach out to the Township. Currently, the MTA Board has developed a ***Five-Year Capital Project Plan*** with an estimated price tag of $5.5 million. In order to fund this plan, the Authority will need to secure a short-term five-year loan in the amount of $750,000 - $1,000,000. In this low interest rate environment, the MTA will also be evaluating whether it is advantageous to borrow additional funds to accelerate the replacement of the 60-year-old cast iron water pipe located in "Historical Blandon" and to assist the Township in any joint improvement projects.

To help MTA evaluate our borrowing needs, the MTA Board is requesting the Township provide the MTA guidance for any potential joint projects that will be planned in the next 5 years. This will allow MTA to make a better cost-effective decision on whether to borrow additional funds.

The MTA Board believes that, at a minimum, the MTA should be evaluating stepping up our capital improvements during this historic low interest rate environment. With sound planning, MTA can also avoid paying loan origination fees on multiple loans.

The MTA Board is requesting the Township provide the Authority with guidance within the next 90 days.

Respectfully Requested,

Dan Novakovich

Dan Novakovich,
Maidencreek Township Authority Chairman