

RESOLUTION 2020-50

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANHEIM, LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ESTABLISHING THE AGRICULTURE / FARM ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 3 of the Code of the Township of Manheim, as amended (“Code”), the Board of Commissioners has the authority to create by resolution citizens’ advisory committees from time to time to aid in the execution of its corporate powers when it has determined a need exists to engage various skills and capabilities of the Township citizenry to advise it on the best approaches and practices in addressing current and future needs; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has decided to establish a citizens’ advisory committee to review, research, analyze, discuss and make recommendations to the Board of Commissioners on Agriculture/Farming.

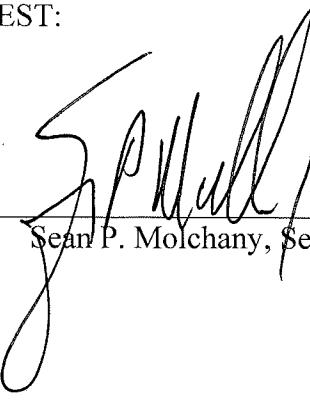
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Manheim, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, by this Resolution, hereby establishes and creates the “Agriculture/Farm Advisory Committee of Manheim Township” pursuant to and subject to the provisions of Chapter 3 of the Code for the purpose of soliciting and receiving ideas and making recommendations to the Board of Commissioners on issues and actions that can support, improve and preserve the agriculture/ farm community in Manheim Township. The committee shall be structured and shall function according to the “Agriculture/Farm Advisory Committee Purpose and Structure” document attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and incorporated into this resolution by reference.

RESOLVED this 24 day of March, 2020.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
MANHEIM TOWNSHIP

By: Sean M. Wier
(Vice) President

ATTEST:



Sean P. Molchaney, Secretary

EXHIBIT “A”

AGRICULTURE/FARM ADVISORY COMMITTEE PURPOSE AND STRUCTURE

I. NAME

Agriculture/Farm Advisory Committee of Manheim Township

II. PURPOSE

To solicit and receive ideas and make recommendations to the Board of Commissioners on issues and actions that can support, improve and preserve the agriculture/ farm community in Manheim Township. The Committee’s review and recommendations should include, but need not be limited to, strategies, policies and actions related to land use ordinances, development patterns, business planning, tax policy and farm preservation that Manheim Township can take to support and preserve the agricultural community within the Township.

III. STRUCTURE AND ORGANIZATION

- The committee shall be a standing committee.
- The committee shall consist of up to 9 members appointed by the Commissioners pursuant to and subject to the provisions of § 3-2 of the Code.
- The committee shall meet at least 4 times per year.
- The Commissioners shall annually appoint a Chair and Vice Chair for the committee.
- The committee is subject to and shall comply with all of the provisions of Chapter 3 of the Code setting forth the requirements and limitations of citizens’ advisory committees.
- The committee is strictly advisory in nature and has no decision-making authority.
- The committee is prohibited from incurring expenses, making payments, entering contracts, leases or obligations or otherwise binding the Township without the expressed consent of the Commissioners.

IV. DELIVERABLES

The committee shall provide a written presentation (the “deliverables”) addressing the issues, questions or subject matter the committee was asked to address within the timeframe established by the Commissioners. The Chair, Vice-Chair or an authorized member of a citizen advisory committee shall provide an update to the Board of Commissioners every ninety (90) days during one of the Board of Commissioners’ regularly scheduled public meetings on the committee’s activities and progress.