

**Ridley Township Board of Commissioners**  
**May 16, 2024**  
**Special Meeting Minutes**

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The Special Meeting of the Ridley Township Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Willert at 6:15pm on May 16, 2024 at the Township Building.

The following Commissioners were present: Mr. Willert, Mr. Saraceni, Mr. Warwick, Mr. McMenamin (via phone), and Mr. Bidoli (via phone).

Also present were Mr. Neill (Township Solicitor) and Mr. Ward (Director of Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer).

Mr. Neill welcomed everyone and stated the purpose of the meeting was to consider an ordinance to amend the township zoning ordinance, Article 2, Section 325-7, to include new use definitions for smoke shops and tobacco stores, mixed use establishments, significant tobacco retailers, Hookah bar, tobacco and vape/electronic products/devices, to prohibit significant tobacco retailers in the C-1 Neighborhood Commercial Districts and also to regulate smoke shops and tobacco stores as Conditional Uses in the C-2 General Commercial District and Shopping Center Zoning Districts under Sections 325-32 and Article 325-39.

Mr. Ward provided clarity to the code regarding the sale of tobacco-related products and why the proposed ordinance stipulates stores have to be 2,000 feet from daycares, schools, etc. Mr. Neill explained the other aspects of the proposed ordinance such as rules and regulations and hours of operation, etc.

Discussion followed.

No comments from public were received.

Mr. Willert announced the ordinance would be placed on the May 22, 2024 Commissioners meeting agenda for consideration.

**Adjournment**

**Motion made by Mr. Willert, seconded by Mr. Saraceni to adjourn the special meeting, Motion carried unanimously (5-0).**

Meeting concluded at 6:30pm.