



RESOLUTION NO. 2261-2022

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAVERFORD, COUNTY OF DELAWARE, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING A POLICY OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR REMOTE PARTICIPATION AT PUBLIC MEETINGS

WHEREAS, under Pennsylvania’s Sunshine Act, the Haverford Township Charter, and the Pennsylvania First Class Township Code, the Board of Commissioners of Haverford Township (“Board” or “Commissioners”) must: 1) take all public action, and engage in all deliberations of potential public actions, at a public, advertised meeting (“Meeting”), and 2) allow members of the public to offer comment on action items prior to a vote;

WHEREAS, for the Board to act on Township business, a quorum of Commissioners must be physically present at the Meeting;

WHEREAS, once a physical quorum of Commissioners is obtained for the Meeting, the remaining Commissioners may remotely participate in the Meeting (i.e. without a physical presence) pursuant to an established telecommunications policy;

WHEREAS, as the citizens of Haverford Township have bestowed their trust and confidence in the Commissioners to actively and effectively represent their interests, the Commissioners recognize that their physical attendance at Meetings is preferable to virtual attendance. The Board remains committed to physically attending Meetings whenever possible. However, if situations arise where a Commissioner cannot physically attend a Meeting, the Board believes that it is preferable for a Commissioner to participate remotely in the Meeting rather than not participate at all;

WHEREAS, the Commissioners recognize that the public expects them to be present and accessible for Meetings, and that remote participation should not be used without just cause;

WHEREAS, the Board desires to permit remote participation/virtual attendance at Meetings through telecommunication devices pursuant to the Remote Participation at Public Meetings Policy attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and incorporated herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners for the Township of Haverford does hereby adopt and establish the Remote Participation at Public Meetings Policy attached hereto as Exhibit "A." Such policy shall be effective thirty (30) days from the date of this Resolution.

RESOLVED this 11th day of April, 2022.

TOWNSHIP OF HAVERFORD



BY: C. Lawrence Holmes
President,
Board of Commissioners



Attest: David R. Burman
Township Manager/Secretary

EXHIBIT "A"

**HAVERFORD TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS POLICY**