

Washington Township Municipal Building
185 Manors Road
Elizabethville, PA 17023
November 17, 2020

The regular meeting of the Washington Township Board of Supervisors was held at the above place and date.

Chairman, Benjamin Brown called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Board Members Present:

Benjamin Brown Gerald Lettich
Kevin Stadheim Cynthia Stout
Glenn Stoneroad

Administrators and Others Present:

Donna Sitlinger – Secretary
Robert Crabb – Roadmaster
Keith Hill - Integrative Green Solutions, Inc.
Charles Yourshaw, Engineer – Integrative Green Solutions, Inc.
Jeffrey Staub, Engineer – Dauphin Engineering Co. for D&C Realty LP
Reliance Hose Company No. 1 – Ryan Romberger, Tammy Keisling
Citizens – 9

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chairman Benjamin Brown called for public comments with no response.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the Board of Supervisors November 5, 2020 regular meeting were approved as presented by Supr. Lettich, second by Supr. Stadheim. Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

General Fund: \$ 987.45
Liquid Fuels Fund: 4031.18
Street Light Fund: 873.00

A motion was made by Supr. Stoneroad to approve the payment of the invoices, second by Supr. Stadheim. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Stout (yes) Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Decision (Public Hearing – Keith Hill DBA Integrative Green Solutions, Inc.)

A motion was made by Supr. Stadheim to approve the Landowner Curative Amendment request submitted by Keith Hill, DBA Integrative Green Solutions, Inc., second by Supr. Lettich. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Stout (yes) Motion carried. Keith Hill expressed his appreciation to the Supervisors for their vote of confidence. **Ordinance 2020-01.**

Preliminary/Final Subdivision & Land Development Plan (D&C Realty LP)

Chairman Brown recognized Jeffrey Staub, Engineer representing the Preliminary/Final Subdivision & Land Development Plan of D&C Realty. The plan proposes to construct a 640 square foot addition to the existing structure and combine two existing tax parcels into one lot. A question period was held in regards to the township engineer's November 16 comments. A brief discussion was held on the three waiver requests. Upon conclusion of review, a motion was made by Supr. Stout to approve the three waiver

requests of preliminary plan requirement, sidewalks and curbs, dedication or fee in lieu of recreational area or facility, on condition that the other items on the November 16 township engineer's Review 2 letter are addressed, including the receipt of favorable review of the erosion and sedimentation plan from the Dauphin County Conservation District, second by Supr. Lettich. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Stout (yes) Motion carried. **Resolution 2020-15.**

OLD BUSINESS:

Fire Protection Tax

Chairman Brown recognized Ryan Romberger, Administrative President. A fire protection tax agreement between the fire company and township was presented for signature. The agreement commences January 1, 2021 and is in effect until December 31, 2024. After brief review of two small revisions, plus a tax increase from .47 to .70 mills, a motion was made by Supr. Stout to approve to sign the agreement, second by Supr. Stoneroad. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Stout (yes) Motion carried.

State Drive Improvements

Roadmaster Crabb advised he spoke with the township engineer who will work with the engineers of their transportation department to present a plan.

Solar Farm Development Research

After considering whether or not to pursue an ordinance pertaining to solar farm development, a motion was made by Supr. Stout that there is no interest at this time, second by Supr. Brown. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Advertise Intent to Appoint CPA Firm to Audit 2020 Accounts

A motion was made by Supr. Lettich to approve to advertise the intent to appoint a CPA firm to audit the 2020 township accounts, second by Supr. Stout. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Stout (yes) Motion carried.

BUDGET 2021:

Upon completion of the 2021 proposed budget review of the General, Liquid Fuels, Street Light and Fire Hydrant Funds, a motion was made by Supr. Stoneroad to tentatively approve the 2021 proposed budget, utilize the general fund reserve to balance the deficit, advertise the proposed budget is available for public inspection, second by Supr. Stadheim. It was noted it is the intent of the Supervisors to formally adopt the proposed 2021 budget during the regular scheduled December 15, 2020 meeting. All tax levies remain the same with the exception of the fire protection tax, noting the tax mill will increase from .47 mills to .70 mills. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Stout (yes) Motion carried.

SUPERVISORS REPORTS:

KEVIN STADHEIM: No report.

GLENN STONEROAD: No report.

CYNTHIA STOUT: No report.

JERRY LETTICH: No report.

BENJAMIN BROWN: No report.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chairman Benjamin Brown called for public comments.

Lori Brown commented, raising taxes is probably inevitable down the road, and appreciates we are pro-business, as businesses is where a large number of our taxes come from.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Recreation Board: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 (8PM)

Planning Commission: Monday, December 7, 2020

Authority: Tuesday, December 8, 2020

Supervisors: Tuesday, December 1, 2020

All meetings, unless otherwise indicated, are held at the municipal building and begin at 7 PM.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Supr. Lettich made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Supr. Stadheim. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna M. Sitlinger, Secretary