

Washington Township Municipal Building
185 Manors Road
Elizabethville, PA 17023
March 3, 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 7:03 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Board Members Present:

Cynthia Stout Kevin Stadheim
Benjamin Brown Gerald Lettich
Glenn Stoneroad

Administrators and Others Present:

Donna Sitlinger – Secretary
Joseph Kerwin – Board Solicitor
Michael Wertz and Fred Dill – Reliance Hose Company No 1
Cole Boyer – Township Engineer
Citizens – 2

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chairman Benjamin Brown called for public comments with no response.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the Board of Supervisors February 18, 2020 regular meeting were approved as presented by motion of Supr. Lettich, second by Supr. Stoneroad. Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

General Fund: \$3,742.85
Liquid Fuels Fund: 320.71

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.

ANNUAL REPORT – RELIANCE HOSE COMPANY NO 1:

To present their annual year-end report, Chairman Brown recognized Michael Wertz, President and Fred Dill, Chief, representing Reliance Hose Company No. 1. Statistics were provided on the number of calls and types of incidents the fire company responded to throughout 2019. The 2019 financial statements and 2020 budget were briefly reviewed. A brief question period was held. The fire company is exploring options to replace the current reader board sign with an electronic sign. Would the Supervisors take under consideration the Fire Company contacting businesses and groups to ask for a monetary contribution towards the cost of the sign.

OLD BUSINESS:

Eckert Seamons Request to Consider Slot Machine Nuisance Ordinance:

Upon advice from Solicitor Kerwin, it is the consensus of the Supervisors to not pursue the adoption of a slot machine nuisance ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS:**Certificate of Deposit Maturity:**

Mid Penn Bank sent notice of a certificate of deposit maturing on February 23, 2020. After review of the current interest rates offered by local banking institutions and taking under consideration interest rates may have changed since the quote was obtained, a motion was made by Supr. Stout to renew the certificate of deposit for a term of six-months with the bank that offers the highest interest rate, second by Supr. Stadheim. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Stout (yes) Motion carried.

Salt Contract:

A motion was made by Supr. Lettich to approve entering into a contract, for the purchase of 80 ton of road salt, through the Department of General Services Costars Program, effective August 2020 through July 2021, second by Supr. Stout. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Stout (yes) Motion carried.

Request for Sign Approval:

As per Part 14 of the Sign Regulations, a motion was made by Supr. Lettich to approve Upper Dauphin School District's request to erect an 80 sq. ft. electronic scoreboard, second by Supr. Stoneroad. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Stout (yes) Motion carried.

PSATS Convention:

Registration for the PSATS Convention is currently open. The convention will be held May 3-6 at the Hershey Lodge.

Engineer Comments – TIS Scoping Meeting Application (PSP Lykens Barracks):

Engineer, Cole Boyer was present to go over the comments of their review of the Traffic Impact Study Scoping Meeting Application for the land development of the proposed PSP Lykens Barracks. The application was prepared by Livic Civil, LLC. Discussion was held regarding the new driveway access to Route 209. Consideration of the new access driveway to be a right turn in/right turn out was discussed along with additional access off of Lois Drive. The engineers on both sides will continue to work out the details.

In regards to the review of Stormwater Management Plans, Engineer Boyer commented it would up to the Supervisors how they would want to move forward with approving stand-alone plans. Either they can approve all plans that the engineer would review or grant the engineer the right to approve the plans. Any requests for waivers or an unusual circumstance would be brought before the Supervisors. After discussion, the Supervisors provided their consent to allow the engineer to approve stand-alone stormwater management plans and in lieu of the SWMGT Ordinance requiring a financial guaranty be provided to the Township, to include a note on the SWMGT plan that inspection is required by the township engineer.

Waiver Request – On Lot Sewage Disposal System Pumping:

A motion was made by Supr. Stoneroad to deny a request to waive the 2020 pump out of the on lot sewage disposal system located on property parcel 66-012-072, second by Supr. Stout. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR REPORT:

Solicitor Kerwin has been contacted by an individual in regards to the land development of a proposed pet food plant. Would the Supervisors consider not only amending the zoning district of the parcel they are planning to develop, but consider expanding a zoning district change in the immediate area. A brief discussion was held.

In reference to past discussion on amending the zoning district along the SR209 corridor and other areas,

it is the consensus of the Supervisors to ask Gerard Duke, Dauphin County Planning Coordinator to attend a future Supervisors meeting to answer questions and review the proposal that is being discussed.

Solicitor Kerwin will resume his query in asking the school district to consider forgiveness for the school property taxes concerning the Valley Inn property.

SUPERVISORS REPORTS:

JERRY LETTICH: No report.

BENJAMIN BROWN: No report.

KEVIN STADHEIM:

Road Crew Report:

A motion was made by Supr. Stout to advertise in the Upper Dauphin Sentinel, that the Township will be accepting bids on the Municibid website, for the sale of the Sterling Elgin Street Sweeper, second by Supr. Stoneroad. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Stout (yes) Motion carried.

GLENN STONEROAD:

COG:

Supr. Stoneroad provided a brief report on a presentation that was held on water quality and stormwater management during the February COG meeting.

A motion was made by Supr. Stout to approve remitting payment to Upper Dauphin Council of Governments for the 2020 membership dues totaling \$408.24, second by Supr. Lettich. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Stout (yes) Motion carried.

CYNTHIA STOUT: No report.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chairman Benjamin Brown called for public comments with no response.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Authority: Tuesday, March 10, 2020

Supervisors: Tuesday, March 17, 2020

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

Planning Commission: Monday, April 6, 2020

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

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Supr. Stoneroad made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Supr. Lettich. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna M. Sitlinger
Secretary