

Washington Township Municipal Building
185 Manors Road
Elizabethville, PA 17023
July 21, 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 Glenn Stoneroad
Kevin Stadheim Gerald Lettich

Board Member Absent:

Cynthia Stout

Administrators and Others Present:

Donna Sitlinger – Secretary
Robert Crabb – Roadmaster
Citizens – 0

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chairman Benjamin Brown called for public comments with no response.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the Board of Supervisors July 7, 2020 regular meeting were approved as presented by motion of Supr. Lettich, second by Supr. Stoneroad. Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

General Fund: \$1151.31
Liquid Fuels Fund: 3575.31
Fire Hydrant Fund: 1665.00

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

OLD BUSINESS:

First Light Fiber LD/SWMGT Plans:

It was noted there are still outstanding Township engineer comments that need addressed before the final plan is submitted to the Supervisors for final approval.

PSP Land Development Plan:

Currently waiting on approvals from various agencies. Roadmaster Crabb advised he spoke to the Township engineer concerning the necessity to relocate a culvert at the intersection.

Municipal Winter Traffic Services Agreement:

A motion was made by Supr. Lettich to approve executing Exhibit A of PennDOT's renewal contract to snowplow Raker's Mill Road and North Church Street during the 2020-2021 season, conditional upon repairs are made to several culvert cuts and trees are trimmed on the respective roads, second by Supr. Stadheim. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Motion carried.

Knorr & Lenker T/A Early Bird Storage LD/SWMGT Plans:

Written notification was received from Ronald Knorr advising the 14 additional storage units will be removed from the property.

NEW BUSINESS:**Financial Report:**

A financial report reflecting the current assets, liabilities, equity, and revenues and expenses entailed through June 30, 2020 was presented to the Supervisors for review. The funds represented in the report include the General, Liquid Fuels, Street Light, Fire Hydrant and Recreation. It is still too early to determine the anticipated shortfall of revenues, triggered by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Dugout Construction:

The Upper Dauphin School District is proposing to construct dugouts on their JV field at the high school. A motion was made by Supr. Stoneroad to waive the requirement to submit a Land Development Plan for this project, second by Supr. Lettich. Motion carried.

Conditional Use Hearing:

Washington Township is in receipt of a Conditional Use Application from John and Jennifer Sracic. A public hearing is scheduled on August 18, 2020, beginning 6:30 PM.

Commercial Insurance Policy Renewal:

It was noted the commercial insurance policy will renew in September. The accident insurance to cover volunteers at the park is a separate policy and the premium is currently due. A motion was made by Supr. Stoneroad to renew the policy and pay the premium of \$150., second by Supr. Lettich. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Motion carried.

Supr. Brown revisited the prospect of making some inquiries into the possibility of securing a specialty medical or urgent care center to take up residence in the current State Police Barracks after the building is unoccupied. Supr. Brown asked that the proposed State Drive Improvements be placed on the next meeting agenda for discussion.

Complaint:

William Botts of 207 Botts Road submitted a complaint form, with attachments on July 20, 2020. A copy of the complaint and attachments were provided to the Supervisors this evening. After reviewing and briefly discussing the subject matter of the complaint, it is the consensus of the Supervisors to look over the complaint until the next meeting. Solicitor Kerwin will be present at the next meeting to discuss.

SUPERVISORS REPORTS:

CYNTHIA STOUT: Absent.

JERRY LETTICH: No report.

BENJAMIN BROWN: No report.

KEVIN STADHEIM:**Road Crew Report:**

Roadmaster Crabb reported on the following:

Trucks are hauling logs out of Romberger Road, commenting it is very hard on the road. An alternate route and reasonable solution were suggested, but was turned down by a representative at the Grain Center.

Advised the property owner whose property abuts the Loyaltan Park had his dead tree cut down.

Advised of an incident regarding a property owner who dumped a load of stones on Oakdale Station Road.

Hammaker East will be seal coating the Township roads tomorrow. There is a section of Gun Club Road that for some unknown reason was paved approximately 50' wide. A 10-15' section that abuts Horning's Parking lot will not get seal coated. Township right of way is 33' wide. After brief discussion, it is the consensus of the Supervisors to seal coat within the township right-of-way.

Hammaker East would like to test a different process for seal coating and has offered to seal coat one mile of a Township road at no cost. The value is approximately \$15,000. Swa-Nea and Schaffer Roads have been chosen, although the combination of both roads will go a little over a mile. The cost to finish Swa-Nea Road in its entirety will cost approximately \$4500. After briefly discussing, a motion was made by Supr. Brown to approve paying the expense that goes over the mile, second by Supr. Lettich. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Motion carried.

Roadmaster Crabb announced Lewis Weaver submitted a letter of resignation, effective July 31. A motion was made by Supr. Stoneroad to regretfully accept the resignation, second by Supr. Stadheim. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Supr. Lettich to approve to advertise the road crew vacancy if needed, second by Supr. Stadheim. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Motion carried.

A motion was made by Supr. Stadheim to increase the hourly wage of part time, as needed employee, Clint Klouser to \$18 per hour, second by Supr. Stoneroad. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Motion carried.

GLENN STONEROAD:

Upper Dauphin Area School District:

Supr. Stoneroad reported the school board continues to finalize plans to open up the school in August.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chairman Benjamin Brown called for public comments with no response.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Planning Commission: Monday, August 3, 2020

Supervisors: Tuesday, August 4, 2020

Authority: Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Recreation Board: Wednesday, August 19, 2020 (8PM)

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

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Supr. Stadheim made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Supr. Stoneroad. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna M. Sitlinger
Secretary