Washington Township Municipal Building 185 Manors Road Elizabethville, PA 17023 May 21, 2024

The Washington Township Board of Supervisors regular meeting was held at the municipal building on May 21, 2024.

Chairman, Benjamin Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Board Members Present:

Board Member Absent: Cynthia Stout

Glenn StoneroadKevin StadheimGerald LettichBenjamin Brown

Administrators and Others Present:

Donna Sitlinger – Secretary Robert Crabb – Roadmaster Laverne Brown, Sr. – Chairman, WT Planning Commission Charles Maguire, Member WT Planning Commission Citizens – 1

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chairman, Benjamin Brown called for public comments with no response.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the Board of Supervisors May 7, 2024 meeting, approved as presented by motion of Supr. Lettich, second by Supr. Stadheim. Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

General Fund: \$ 19,035.85

Street Light Fund: 1,002.47

Supr. Lettich made a motion to approve the payment of the invoices as listed, plus \$24,170.43 for a zero turn John Deere Mower, second by Supr. Stadheim. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Municipal Building Addition/Renovations

Roadmaster Crabb provided an update on the status of the building project and also met with a structural engineer to look at the roof structure in the meeting room to determine the feasibility of going with a higher ceiling. The engineer's preliminary inspection determined that a higher ceiling is doable. The engineer will send a report and during the interim the Supervisors will consider their options.

The first contractor's application for payment for the building project was presented for payment. Supr. Stoneroad made a motion to approve the disbursement of \$45,999.73 to Martin's Construction, second by Supr. Stadheim. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Motion carried. It was noted the funds will be withdrawn from the money market.

Solar Energy Systems

Discussion continued on a proposed solar energy system ordinance. It is the consensus of the Supervisors they will begin to make changes during their next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Open Bids (Seal Coat Road Project)

After being duly advertised in the May 2 and May 9 publications of the Citizen Standard, two sealed bids were received by the letting date of May 21, 2024, for the seal coat/fog seal road projects budgeted for Feidt and Suffolk Roads.

Russell Standard Corporation - \$63,605.10

Midland Asphalt Materials, Inc - \$61,800.70

Supr. Lettich made a motion to accept the low bid submitted from Midland Asphalt Materials, second by Supr. Stadheim. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Motion carried.

Request for Sign Approval

Supr. Stadheim made a motion to approve the Request for Sign Approval application submitted from 209 Beverage Warehouse to replace their current reader board with an electronic reader board, second by Supr. Stoneroad. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Motion carried.

Board Vacancy Application

A board vacancy application was submitted from a township resident interested in being considered to fill a vacancy on the zoning hearing board. It is the consensus of the Supervisors to request the applicant attend the next couple of meetings for the opportunity to ask questions.

Non-Compliance On Lot Sewage System Pump Out

Supr. Lettich made a motion to ask our sewage enforcement officer to file a citation against two properties 66-010-037 and 66-003-056 for failing to provide documentation that their on lot sewage disposal system was pumped out during the past five years, second by Supr. Stadheim. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Motion carried.

The Secretary reported the township received a \$847.65 dividend check from EMC Insurance representing the 2023 policy year.

The Secretary advised the township has a policy in place for builder's risk insurance through Selective Insurance. The policy is effective for one year.

SUPERVISORS REPORT:

GLENN STONEROAD: Upper Dauphin School District & COG:

As per the direction of the Supervisors from the last meeting, Supr. Stoneroad reported that he and Ralph Hummel, the zoning/codes enforcement officer conducted a site visit to property 66-003-014, in response to a complaint received concerning odor and an increase in the fly population due to composting taking place on the property. During their visit they did observe a tractor trailer unloading sugar and chocolate and noticed a stench and a mass of flies. The zoning/codes officer contacted DEP for information and is also reviewing the township ordinance regulations for use. It is the consensus of the Supervisors to continue discussion during the next meeting.

CYNTHIA STOUT: <u>Parks & Recreation/Reliance Hose Company No 1:</u> Absent.

JERRY LETTICH: *Washington Township Authority:* No report.

BENJAMIN BROWN:

Recycling & Landfill: No report.

KEVIN STADHEIM:

Road Report:

Supr. Stoneroad made a motion to accept the bids submitted for the used bathroom stalls (\$245.00) and used drop ceiling heat ducts (\$5.00) that were put up for sale on the municibid website, second by Supr. Stadheim. Roll Call Vote: Stoneroad (yes) Stadheim (yes) Lettich (yes) Brown (yes) Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chairman, Benjamin Brown called for public comments with no response.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Planning Commission: Monday, June 3, 2024 Supervisors: Tuesday, June 4, 2024 Authority: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 Recreation Board: Wednesday, June 19, 2024 (8PM)

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Supr. Stoneroad made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Supr. Brown. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:26PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Sitlinger

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