

PENN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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Regular Meeting
October 11, 2018

Chairman Martin called the meeting to order and led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present: Chairman Gary Martin, Vice Chairman Ken Sheaffer, Supervisor Ronald Tritt, Solicitor Marcus McKnight and Secretary Vicki Knepp.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 13, 2018 Regular Meeting. Supervisor Tritt seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Supervisor Tritt made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 1, 2018 Budget Meeting. Supervisor Tritt seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to approve the September 30, 2018 Treasurer's Report. Supervisor Tritt seconded the motion. Motion approved.

APPROVAL OF SUBDIVISION PLANS

Zimmerman Land Use Plan – Peter Hughes of Red Barn Consulting was present to represent the Zimmermans. Mr. Zimmerman would like to install two 48 x 528 pullet houses on his existing dairy farm. This would not be a Concentrated Animal Operation. Mr. Zimmerman has a manure management plan. They will be using their existing farm driveway to access the pullet houses. Mr. Hughes said he was there to discuss three waivers: the sidewalk requirement; the curb requirement; and eliminating the preliminary plan and going straight to final plan. They are still waiting on the NPDES Permit from County Conservation. Solicitor McKnight stated that our Engineer has also recommended that we have a Stormwater Best Management Practices Agreement in place. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to waive the sidewalk requirement. Supervisor Tritt seconded the motion. Motion approved. Supervisor Tritt made a motion to waive the curb requirement. Vice Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved. Chairman Martin made a motion to waive the requirements for a preliminary plan and allow the submission of a final plan. Vice Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved. The Planning Commission has recommended approval of the plan. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a

motion to approve the Zimmerman Land Use Plan conditioned upon getting the NPDES Permit and the Best Management Practices for Stormwater Agreement completed. Supervisor Tritt seconded the motion. Motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Trash – The Secretary reported that she received a new delinquent list. She asked for permission to send letters to the people who have not paid their bills. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion for the Secretary to send delinquent trash letters. Supervisor Tritt seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Septic – The secretary reported that 145 of 380 systems due to be pumped in 2018 are completed. There are still two systems that were due in 2017 that are not completed. One of the two was sold at Sheriff's sale.

Ratify Resolutions 2018-13 and 2018-14 – Resolution 2018-13 establishes a Park & Rec Committee and 2018-14 appoints members to it. Vice Chairman Sheaffer voted to ratify Resolution 2018-13 establishing a Park and Rec Committee. Supervisor Tritt seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to ratify Resolution 2018-14 appointing Patricia A. Weidman, David D. Yoder, Carrie Collins and Buck Shuller to the Park & Rec Committee. Supervisor Tritt seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to advertise the Budget. Supervisor Tritt seconded the motion. Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Backhoe Extended Warranty – Warranty on the backhoe is about to expire. The Roadmaster has recommended that we purchase the extended warranty. Supervisor Tritt made a motion to purchase the extended warranty on the backhoe. Vice Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Municipal Agreement – Chairman Martin asked the Solicitor who is responsible for workman's comp work when we are working in another municipality. We believe they are covered under our coverage. The Solicitor said we should have either Municipal Agreement or resolution to that effect. Chairman Martin asked the Solicitor to draft a document regarding workers' comp insurance when the road crew is working with other municipalities.

Return on Environment – Chairman Martin stated that he attended a workshop at the County on Return on Environment done in East Hanover Township, Dauphin County by the Kittatinny Coalition. It demonstrates how open spaces are an integral part of the county and effects quality of life, health, sense of place and low costs of living and economy. John Rogers is an environmental engineer who would like to do a study in Cumberland County. Chairman Martin said he volunteered our township. Mr. Rogers will be contacting us. It will be covered by a DCNR grant. He will be coming to a future meeting. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to move forward with the study. Supervisor Tritt seconded the motion. Motion approved.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Secretary reported that the John Graham Public Library has requested a donation for their capital campaign. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to donate \$100.00 to the Library. Chairman Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved.

PROJECT UPDATES

Supervisor Tritt said the County Beetem Hollow project is just about finished.

Vice Chairman Sheaffer stated the Fish Commission has installed the culvert and backfill is done. Hopefully the culvert will be completed soon.

Supervisor Tritt said Leeds Road has been repaired at the culvert.

The road crew cleaned up trees on Beetem Hollow and Shank Roads today.

ZONING CODES ENFORCEMENT

Tim Knepp stated that he issued four permits for the month and did not have any complaints.

SOLICITOR REPORT

The Solicitor had the Gettel Conditional Use Decision for signatures and then to be sent out.

The Solicitor also had the Animal Ordinance passed the previous month ready for signatures.

The Solicitor stated that he needs authorization to have the Chairman sign a Complaint in the litigation with FPE Engineering. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to have Chairman Gary Martin to sign the Complaint for the suit with FPE Engineering. Supervisor Tritt seconded the motion. Motion approved.

OTHER REPORTS

COG – Chairman Martin reported the Planning Outreach for Western Cumberland County is on October 17 at Southampton Township. County has issued the Land Partnership Grants in the amount of \$306,000.00. We received \$15,380.00 to update our Zoning Ordinance, SALDO and Comprehensive Plan. The County is updating its Hazard Mitigation Plan, it is scheduled to be completed in 2019. There is a steering committee if anyone is interested in volunteering. Sixty-three counties have had mosquitos test positive for West Nile. The Solicitor reported that Southampton reported that the market for recycling has crashed. The recycling is piling up on the docks. We will not get grants for recycling and the next trash contract will probably not include recycling.

Agricultural Preservation – Chairman Martin reported the 977 acres for 2017 should be completed by the end of the year. Surveys and title searches are being done on

the 2018 selected farms. On October 24 there will be a finance meeting to discuss their donation to the Farmland Preservation project. Farmland Preservation will be having an information workshop for anyone who wants to learn more about the program.

Road Master – Supervisor Tritt reported that line painting is scheduled for October 24. They will be doing some repairs to Church Road, replace the tile on Kutz Road, a little more work on Beetem Hollow, brush cutting and installing a curb on Smith Road. Supervisor Tritt said we need Class B CDL drivers badly. This is a part time, as needed position.

Farm Marshal – Mr. Knepp said a citation was issued to one of the warehouses this month for a false alarm. The fire department took delivery of the new mini-pumper, they are in the process of training operators. The Fire Chief will be updating the boxes.

Newsletter – The Secretary reported that the newsletter is at the printers.

The salt bids should be out in the next week.

APPROVAL OF BILLS LISTING

Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to pay the bills. Supervisor Tritt seconded the motion. Motion approved.

SUPERVISORS' REPORTS

Supervisor Tritt reported that he attended the Planning Commission Meeting, the Budget workshop, the Park & Rec. organizational meeting, and attended the County Convention. He also was working with the road crew. Supervisor Tritt said they would like to sell the big trailer. The road crew does not use it. Supervisor Tritt said they would like to purchase another trailer to replace it, hydraulic with a bumper hitch. They have not gotten any information on a new trailer yet. It was suggested to hold off on selling the trailer until we see if we can get anything on trade-in.

Solicitor McKnight asked what everyone thought of the County Convention this year with the format change. Chairman Martin said he preferred the new format with the workshops. Secretary Knepp said that the Committee would like to hold additional workshops during the year on topics people find relevant.

Vice Chairman Sheaffer stated he attended the Planning Commission Meeting, the budget workshop, he helped the Boy Scouts at the car show, and signed checks. He said he has been discussing well issues possibly caused by the quarry blasting with a resident on Hair Road. He checked on the status of the culvert on Lebo Road. They are setting up a service project with the Scouts for Nov. 17 to help with removing the tires from the farm on Church Road.

Chairman Martin stated he dealt with a stormwater complaint, went with the Codes Officer for a complaint on South Side Drive, was at the mediation and attended the Park & Rec organizational meeting, attended the budget meeting, the Return on Environment meeting, County Convention, COG, fire company, Land Preservation and Zoning Hearing Board.

The Solicitor stated that the Planning Commission has requested a breakout on what the warehouses have paid to the Township and what was paid to the fire company. The Secretary said we have gotten the money for the fire company on both the warehouses, she believes each check was \$150,000, she will verify it with the Treasurer.

Wayne Stevenson asked what was found in the ore pit. He and Gary Cribbs asked for a copy of the report. The Solicitor said he will ask for a copy.

Mr. Cribbs said there has been construction traffic on Gettle Road. This was prohibited. One day the road was completely blocked. The Solicitor will contact Ridge about that also.

Chairman Martin stated that we had calls from a resident on Hair Road that they are having issues with their wells, they believe it is being caused by the blasting at the Exeter site.

Mr. Stevenson asked what is the status of the stormwater issue from 950 Centerville Road. The Solicitor said that Paul Wilson and Matt Stough need to look at it again.

Mike Kutz asked what is going on with Rt. 233 at the Exeter warehouse, will it be done for winter. Chairman Martin said he was told that it was torn up because that was the schedule. It was approved by PennDOT, it is their road and we have no control over it.

RECONVENE

Supervisor Tritt made a motion to adjourn. Vice Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 8, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Knepp
Secretary