

Penn Township Supervisor Meeting

April 3, 2019

Chairman Jon Payne called the 4.3.2019 Supervisor Meeting to order, 7:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present included: Supervisors: Jon Payne and William Moyer, Solicitor James Bathgate, Township Manager Julie Hartley, Secretary/Treasurer Kathy Wendt and Attorney Rob Davidson

Absent: Supervisor Brenda Moyer

Public Present: William Kline, Darwin Swope, Lauryn Longacre, Lily Gannon, Alyssa Asick, Brian Barto, Dolly Smith, Tom Reuther, Jan Ritter, Scott Shambach, Philip Betz, Mike Piecuch, Nick Auman and Diane Ferry

Jon Payne reported that an executive session was held today 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. to discuss personnel and legal issues with no decisions made in executive session.

On motion by William Moyer, second by Jon Payne and board acclamation, to approve the March 20, 2019 supervisor's workshop meeting minutes.

Persons Present to be Heard:

Scott Shambach, Martin Subdivision- On motion by William Moyer, second by Jon Payne and board acclamation to approve and sign Martin's subdivision plans.

Mike Piecuch, Quarry Road Stormwater concerns- Attorney Bathgate started off the discussion by reviewing the Township's involvement thus far including, but not limited to, review by the Township's Zoning Officer and Engineer; referral to Snyder County Conservation District, Department of Agriculture, and Department of Environmental Protection; and discussion with Mr. Carl Carr's attorney. After reaching an impasse with Mr. Carr's attorney, Bathgate noted that the most recent action by the Township was to hire Attorney Rob Davidson, who specializes in stormwater issues, as a special counsel to review the Township's Stormwater Management Ordinance and how it relates to changes Mr. Carl Carr made on his property. Attorney Davidson reported his findings after an in depth review of maps, waivers, discussions with Snyder County Conservation District as well as Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). Attorney Davidson concluded that the Township does not have the ability under the Stormwater Management Ordinance to take action. A discussion was had that the landowners could consider a private cause of action against Mr. Carr.

Tom Reuther, Susq Valley Horseshoe Club - Mr. Reuther asked the Supervisors to exempt the Club from paying the full \$550 tournament fee for use of the horseshoe pits and two sheds for the summer months. Mr. Reuther explained how the Club is a small group who has maintained the horseshoe area for several years. Mr. Reuther said the Club will still be reserving Pavilion #1 for three days through the summer/fall. After consideration, the Supervisor's decided not to approve the exemption from paying the full fee.

Brian Barto, DH&L Fire Company - Mr. Barto reported that DH&L has responded to a total of 390 calls in 2018 and 73 calls in the first quarter of this year in Penn Township.

New Business:

Industrial Land - Ms. Hartley reported that there is one parcel in the Industrial park that is still available for purchase.

Sign Ordinance- Supervisor Payne suggested that the Sign Ordinance be reviewed by the Planning Commission pertaining to the size of temporary and seasonal signs.

2018 Auditor's Report - The Supervisor's reviewed the auditor's report. Supervisor Payne commented that the auditor's did a good job.

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Approval for cost of Gutelius Excavating work at ESP- On motion by William Moyer, second by Jon Payne and board acclamation to approve the hiring of Gutelius Excavating to dig the trench at ESP for a fee of no more than \$400.

Hiring of Jamie Batdorf - ESP restroom cleaning - On motion by William Moyer, second by Jon Payne and board acclamation to hire Jamie Batdorf as a vendor to clean ESP restrooms at a fee of \$60 per cleaning.

Reports:

Township Manager, Julie Hartley

- ∞ Report provided.

Mark Strawser, Roadmaster

- ∞ Report provided

Julie Hartley, Zoning Officer

- ∞ Report provided.

Emergency Management Coordinator Fred Ulrich

- ∞ No report provided.

Solicitor, Jim Bathgate

- ∞ Attorney Bathgate stated that the Township employee, who is also on the Zoning Hearing Board, will need to resign from the Board due to a conflict of interest.
- ∞ Attorney Bathgate requested approval for the Zoning Map Change Hearing, May 1, 2019 at 6:30. **On motion by Jon Payne, second by William Moyer and board acclamation to approve the meeting for May 1, 2019 at 6:30 pm along with advertising and mailing notices.**

Old Business:

Donald Schrey, Zoning Map- The Supervisor's previously approved a hearing scheduled for May 1, 2019.

FYI

- ESCRA 1.16.2019 Meeting Minutes
- PennDOT 3.27.19 letter Project Notification
- Township News - All-inclusive playground
- House of Representative 4.1.19 letter welcoming Vilello

Public Comment: None

Approval of Accounts Payable

On motion by William Moyer, second by Jon Payne and board acclamation to pay the bills.

On motion by William Moyer, second by Jon Payne and board acclamation the April 3, 2019 Supervisor's Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Wendt
Secretary/Treasurer