

# Penn Township Supervisor Meeting

## May 4, 2022

Chairman Jon Payne called the 5.4.2022 Supervisor Meeting to order at 6:01 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Conditional Use Hearing: Ellie Herman/Trinity Solar at 6:02 pm**

**Present included:** Supervisors: Jon Payne, Isaac Ramer Jr. and Ross Smoker, Township Manager Julie Hartley and Jim Bathgate – Solicitor

**Public Present:** William Kline, Brian Hipple, Jason Kaufman, Paul Long, Linda Long, Colin Rice, Corry Dillinger, William Schneider, Chad Aucker, Jon Gray, Christine Mull, Sara Bailey, Shannon Moyer, Mark Strawser, Kenneth Betzer, Brandt Shambach, Shannon Rudy and Alex Deering.

Minutes – **On motion by Isaac Ramer Jr., seconded by Jon Payne, and Board acclamation to approve of the April 20, 2022 supervisor's meeting minutes.**

### **Persons Present to be Heard:**

Jeff Turner, Selinsgrove Little League – Canceled, will report at May 18<sup>th</sup> Board of Supervisor's meeting.

Shannon Rudy, SEDA COG – Shannon shared with the board that the original request for a path and senior fitness center was denied by DCED. They will now allow all the paths of the park to be paved to ADA standards as the CBDG project. It was discussed to allow vehicle weight to the paths the depth of the asphalt must be at least six inches.

Brian Hipple of DH&L Ambulance & Sara Bailey of Kreamer Ambulance – Brian Hipple shared that he and Sara Bailey of Kreamer Ambulance met and they agreed that when the units that are housed in Selinsgrove are unavailable the 911 Communication Center will dispatch the closest available unit and the Fremont ambulance will stay in Mt. Pleasant Mills unless it is called up. He also noted that the DH&L Ambulance will not call off another ambulance crew that has been dispatched. Chad Aucker of the 911 Center distributed maps and response time charts to the Board for review. Sara Bailey of the Kreamer Ambulance was in agreement with the new arrangement.

**Executive Session called at 6:33 pm and then the meeting was called back to order at 6:38 pm by Jon Payne.**

**On motion by Ross Smoker, seconded by Isaac Ramer Jr., and Board acclamation to support the new draft agreement between the DH&L Ambulance League, the Kreamer Ambulance League and the 911 Communication Center to be reviewed in two months.**

### **Conditional Use Hearing: Paul Long Jr./ReNu Solar at 6:42 pm**

The meeting was called back to order by Jon Payne at 6:51 pm.

Colin Rice & Jason Kaufman, DH&L Fire Co. – Colin shared that there were forty-five incidents in April with no fire losses. A carnival will be held on the grounds at DH&L on June 1<sup>st</sup> through the 4<sup>th</sup>. Jason Kaufman noted that they have made it through the first round for the grant that they applied for to help offset the costs of the ladder truck.

William Schneider, Cottontail Solar 6 – William Schneider of Bowe Renewables representing the Cottontail Solar 6 project noted that he met with the Planning Commission several times and they have recommended that conditional approval be granted for the project. He asked that a waiver be granted allowing the submission of a final plan instead of a preliminary plan. He said that all the conditions that need secured before the plan is recorded will be done. Jim Bathgate asked if the plans were updated with the easements from the landowners involved and he replied that they were and they were recorded. The PennDOT highway occupancy permit is in progress. The Developer's Agreement

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is finished but not signed. Jim Bathgate informed the Board that a waiver needed to be granted regarding the submission of a final plan instead of a preliminary plan.

**On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation to waive the requirement to submit a preliminary plan.**

**On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation to grant conditional approval with the following conditions:**

- 1) A copy of the PennDOT Highway Occupancy Permit is given to the Township
- 2) A copy of the signed Developer's Agreement is presented to the Township
- 3) The Land Development Plans signed and recorded
- 4) A Letter of Credit must be submitted to the Township before Zoning or Building Permits are issued
- 5) DH&L have received an emergency plan and onsite training scheduled

### **New Business:**

**Awarding of Perkinson Road Bridge Bids – On motion by Ross Smoker, seconded by Isaac Ramer Jr., and Board acclamation to award the demolition bid to Schlegel Excavating in the amount of \$6,476.00 subject to them providing a payment performance bond and a certificate of insurance naming the township as insured. On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation to award the superstructure bid to U.S. Bridge division of The Ohio Bridge Corporation in the amount of \$144,700.00 subject to them providing a payment performance bond and a certificate of insurance naming the township as insured.**

90-Day Review, Andrea Beightol, Eric Scholl & Harry Neuer – Moved to last on the agenda.

**Letter from Planning Commission supporting Comfort Station – On motion by Isaac Ramer, Jr., seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation to approve the letter from the Planning Commission regarding the Comfort Station Project.**

**60-Day Extension for Bright Farms Land Development – Discussion was held on the progress that Bright Farms is having with their sewage output and EDU usage. It was decided that a meeting with the Board should take place with Bright Farms, LIVIC CIVIL and ESCRA representatives as soon as can be scheduled. On motion by Isaac Ramer Jr., seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation to grant the sixty-day extension to the Bright Farms Land Development Plans.**

**60-Day Extension for Pawling Station Grain/Sensenig – On motion by Ross Smoker, seconded by Isaac Ramer, Jr., and Board acclamation to grant the sixty-day extension to Pawling Station Grain.**

**Hill End Road Tile/National Gunite – Mark Strawser, Roadmaster, explained the procedure used by National Gunite that the tile would remain in place and the company would use wire mesh with sprayed concrete to restore the tiling. The company can also spray the rocks which form the headwall that will reinforce that also.**

**On motion by Isaac Ramer Jr., seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation to have National Gunite give an estimate for refurbishing the tile on Hill End Road.**

**Fetter Road Cores – Mark Strawser showed the photos of the Fetter Road core samples and noted that two of the holes were dry and the third was wet but not bubbling up. On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Isaac Ramer Jr., and Board acclamation to get estimates from contractors for ditching that section of Fetter Road before pavement is placed.**

**Two of the Old Bleachers requested by Kratzerville Little League – Jim Bathgate will get an agreement together before the transfer is made.**

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Wacker Quotes – On motion by Isaac Ramer Jr., seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation to purchase a 2022 BO BT60 with a 9” plate for \$3,095 or less for the same model.

Contract with Meck-Tech for Comfort Station Engineering – On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation to sign the contract for project engineering to be done by Meck-Tech for the Comfort Station project in the amount of \$21,800.

90-Day Review, Andrea Beightol, Eric Scholl & Harry Neuer – On motion by Ross Smoker, seconded by Isaac Ramer Jr., and Board acclamation to give Andrea Beightol, Secretary-Treasurer, an increase of \$0.50 per hour changing her rate from \$16.00 per hour to \$16.50 per hour.

On motion by Ross Smoker, and seconded by Isaac Ramer Jr., and Board acclamation to give Eric Scholl and Harry Neuer an increase of \$0.50 per hour changing their rates from \$16.00 per hour to \$16.50 per hour.

Old Business: None

Public Comments: None

Approval of Accounts Payable (State and General Funds)- On Motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation, to pay bills.

On motion by Isaac Ramer Jr., second by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation the May 4, 2022 Supervisor's Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

### Reports:

Julie Hartley, Manager

∞ Report Provided

Mark Strawser, Roadmaster

∞ Report Provided

Julie Hartley, Zoning Officer

∞ Report Provided

Fred Ulrich, Emergency Management Coordinator – No report

Jim Bathgate, Solicitor – No Report

### FYI:

- ESCRA January, February & March Meeting Minutes

### Land/Subdivision:

- Bright Farms – Final LD, filed 6.17.20, due 7.5.22
- VFW Subdivision, filed 1.5.21, due 7.29.22
- Lester Sensenig Land Development, filed 3.22.21, due 5.13.22
- Cottontail Solar 6, LLC Land Development, filed 12.7.21, due 7.12.22
- Ellie Herman, Conditional Use Hearing, filed 2.16.22, due 4.15.22, hearing 4.6.22, continued 5.4.22
- Paul Long, Conditional Use Hearing, filed 3.16.22, due 5.13.22, hearing 5.4.22
- Shayne Koch, Conditional Use Hearing, filed 4.14.22, due 6.13.22, hearing 6.1.22

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Hartley  
Manager