

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING OF November 16, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Washington Township Board of Supervisors was held Monday, November 16, 2020.

Those in attendance were: Chairman Leon Lutz, Vice-Chairman Wendell Gainer, Supervisor Lynn Brown, Solicitor Rick Wiest and Dawn Koch, TM/Sec/Treasurer. Also, in attendance were Joan Schwer, Greg Warg, Bruce Frymoyer, Kristyt Frymoyer, Bryce Frymoyer, Kristin Pfluger, Victor Martinez and Gary Brown.

Chairman Lutz opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance. Chairman Lutz reminded the residents of the notices, regarding meeting conduct and public comment procedures.

Vice-Chairman Gainer called an executive session at 7:02 to discuss personnel matters. The Board returned at 7:23 with no decisions being made.

CORRESPONDENCE: The following miscellaneous correspondence was received and presented to the Board of Supervisors for their review; a list was also included in the public packet. Received from:

1. PA Department of Transportation- 2021 Trailer title
2. Keith Heinbach- October 2020 tax collector statement
3. Light Heigel- 2021 rates for floodplain and driveway
4. JB Environmental- 2021 rate sheet
5. Brian Musser- Notice of planned development to add a 4th chicken house
6. Sch. Co. Conservation District- NPDES permit approval for Harty Chicken Houses on Camp Road
7. PA Township News- November 2020 issue
8. PSATS News Bulletin- October 2020 issue
9. Tesla Energy- Certificate of insurance
10. Blue Mountain Family Chiropractic- Update to inform us they are beginning to accept the CDL testing again
11. Statewide Tax Recovery- New address

Vice-Chairman Gainer remarked on the mentioned correspondences regarding chicken houses. He stated a year ago a discussion was started about putting in guidelines or discussing with the Conservation District or County when they approval Agricultural developments due to the township roads not being designed for that type of traffic and weights. He states the County is pushing the applications through without considering the Washington Township infrastructure. He stated when the roads were originally constructed, they were delivering with three axels and are currently delivering with five and six axels. Vice-Chairman acknowledge that the township has a right to the County meetings. He stated that both Dawn Koch and Lynn Brown should possibly begin going to the county meetings to express our concerns. He stated it should be known it is a consideration for Washington Township or the County should not approve plans unless they have done some sort of study, at least an egress and ingress travel so the Township could identify which roads and bridges should be looked at and they should pay for that study.

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Vice-Chairman asked Koch if she would call the County to inform them of the concerns. Vice-Chairman Gainer then asked Solicitor Rick Wiest if establishments are already in place with permits and causing damage to the township infrastructure from the trucks is the Township able to hold them accountable. Solicitor Wiest stated he does not know if you can do anything retrospectively because you would be unable to single anyone out. He also said moving forward there may be a way to have input to the way permitting is being done. After more discussion Vice-Chairman Gainer asked to get the County's cooperation in getting an egress and ingress identified routes being part of the submittal.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon motion of Chairman Lutz, seconded by Supervisor Brown, approved the minutes to the October 19, 2020 regular monthly meeting without correction. This motion unanimously carried.

Upon motion of Chairman Lutz, seconded by Supervisor Brown, approved the minutes to the October 28, 2020 special meeting regarding building windows and the November 2, 2020 budget workshop without correction. This motion unanimously carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT AND BILLS FOR APPROVAL: Upon motion of Chairman Lutz, seconded by Vice-Chairman Gainer, the October 2020 Treasurer's Report was approved with a balance in all accounts, before receipts and bills, was \$610,943.03. Included in this motion was the approval of payment of all bills presented. This motion unanimously carried.

RECEIPTS: The report of receipts (October 15-November 11, 2020) listing \$21,148.47 in EIT receipts, \$20,436.36 in regular General Fund receipts were approved as printed upon motion of Chairman Lutz, seconded by Vice-Chairman Gainer. This motion unanimously carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Solicitor Wiest was present and asked about the ordinance modification for the Floodplain Ordinance update regarding the language of misdemeanor or summary offense. Koch stated the map date was not determined to move forward so we are waiting for that. He stated the language they suggested was acceptable.

ROADMASTER REPORTS: Vice-Chairman Gainer stated he would like to hold a special meeting to discuss the Harvey Drive engineer's report. He stated that residents must submit a right to know request for a copy of the report to review prior to the meeting.

Upon motion made by Chairman Lutz approving the advertising of a special meeting to discuss Harvey Drive on Monday, December 14, 2020, seconded by Supervisor Brown. This motion unanimously passed.

Supervisor Brown made an offer to Bruce Fehr for full-time and Kim Kimmel for part-time work.

There was a brief discussion on the intermunicipal agreement regarding terms and termination. It was determined that the 90-day terms would be removed, and the 10-day termination would remain.

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Upon motion made by Supervisor Brown approving the advertising to adopt Ordinance 2020-2 Enter into agreement with North Manheim Township at the December meeting, seconded by Chairman Lutz. This motion unanimously carried.

COUNTY ZONING: A Planning and Zoning report was reviewed by the Board. A copy of this report will be kept on file at the **Municipal Office**.

1. Sch. Co. Planning & Zoning- zoning denial for minor home occupation 26 Windy Lane
2. Sch. Co. Planning & Zoning- zoning approval of final plan for Nolt boundary line annexation 105 Turkey Farm Road
3. Sch. Co. Planning & Zoning- letter addressed to Cindy Motter regarding Harty Chicken Houses plan being administratively complete.

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT: A list of October 2020 SEO work was reviewed from JB Environmental Services. A copy of this report will be kept on file at the **Municipal Office**.

BUILDING/DRIVEWAY REPORTS: A list of permits issued was reviewed by the Board. A copy of this report will be kept on file at the **Municipal Office**.

OLD BUSINESS: Koch gave an update on the Roedersville Road bridge. She stated she spoke with Ed Fisher of Light-Heigel regarding the grout bags. Ed believes it to be over kill and said installing a rock armor would be sufficient. Koch stated Scott the PennDOT engineer is not in agreement with this and are currently in discussion as to how to move forward.

Koch gave a brief update on the Kutz Road multimodal grant progress. She stated she had a conference call earlier in the day and stated there is a concern about the entrance way for the Sweet Arrow Lake trail that is along the waterway. She stated she contacted the Conservation District regarding the placement of guiderails, and they requested if the Township would be interested in helping them construct a parking area for better access to the trail. Vice-Chairman Gainer asked for the size of the parking area. Koch stated about 200 square feet. Vice-Chairman Gainer asked Koch to ask the Conservation District for a drawing of their desired parking lot.

Koch updated the Board with the date of December 1, 2020 for the window issue to begin testing and repairs.

NEW BUSINESS: Koch introduced to the Board a temporary COVID-19 policy. Upon motion made by Vice-Chairman Gainer approving the temporary COVID-19 policy, seconded by Supervisor Brown. This motion unanimously carried.

Upon motion made by Vice-Chairman Gainer approving the 2020 PerCapita exemption received from Tax Collector Keith Heinbach, seconded by Chairman Lutz. This motion unanimously carried.

Koch presented the Board with a repository sale of two properties located at 0 Rock Road owned by Edward Neidlinger to be purchased by Latanya Bowie. One property with the parcel #33-15-0074.001 will sell for \$1,399.00 and parcel #33-15-0071.000 will sell for \$1,404.00. Solicitor Wiest gave a brief explanation of a repository sale. Upon motion made by Chairman Lutz approving the repository sale, seconded by Supervisor Brown. This motion unanimously carried.

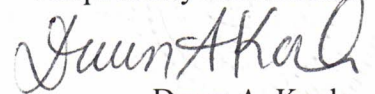
Upon motion made by Vice-Chairman Gainer approving the secretary to obtain fee schedules for professional services for the upcoming reorganization sale, seconded by Chairman Lutz. This motion unanimously carried.

Upon motion of Vice-Chairman Gainer, authorization was given to advertise the proposed 2021 budget for inspection, seconded by Supervisor Brown. This motion unanimously carried.

Before the vote was made for the advertising of the Budget Vice-Chairman Gainer added that there is a possibility that the 2021 budget may have to be revisited in the future due to a decrease in tax revenue from the effects of a possible second shutdown.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors of Washington Township, upon motion of Chairman Lutz, seconded by Supervisor Brown the meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m. This motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Dawn A. Koch

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