

JULY 24, 2017 SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING

The Polk Township Supervisors met for a Regular Meeting, Monday, 7/24/17 at 7:00pm at the Municipal Building, 165 Polk Twp. Rd., Kresgeville, PA. Supervisors Brian K. Ahner; Michael D. Hurley; Carl S. Heckman; Solicitor James V. Fareri; Zoning/Codes Officer Gerald Zurat; Engineer Russell R. Kresge, Jr. & Treasurer Beverly A. Christman were present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MINUTES: Ahner moved to approve the 6/24/17 Regular Meeting Minutes; seconded by Hurley. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: (1)...PSATS News 6/30/17; 7/7/17; 7/14/17; July Bulletin...(2)...PA-COG news & letter to legislatures...(3)...MCPC 6/13/17 agenda & 5/9/17 minutes...(4)...DEP 6/23/17 review of The Woods...(5)...Hazard Mitigation 8/17/17 agenda & 3/2/17 minutes...(6)...Project for Clean Water...(7)...PPL Gilbert pole upgrades...(8)...MC Report on PV Manor...(9)...Aqua PA application to DEP to improve RHL water system...(10)...CJERP 6/27/17 agenda & 3/23/17 minutes.

REPORTS:

Polk Vol. Fire Co. Chief Tippett: (1)...**Calls:** June 11; July 15 to date; YTD 121...(2)...A safety check of all township buildings was conducted on 7/17/17 by firemen Bernie Shea, Bill Tippett, Ed Arnold and Rick Sherer. An emergency entry to the Township building should be determined. Location signage for fire extinguishers are being ordered and Ahner is checking on estimates for lighting...(3)... Ahner moved to waive the cost of a permit for a new roof on the firehouse; seconded by Heckman, Vote, 3-0. Motion carried...(4)...West End Fire Co. signed a 2nd rental agreement to 9/1/17 for use of Polk's firetruck...(5)...The final draft of the "Color Run" fundraiser was received...(6)...Ahner relayed the PA Turnpike will be closed from Allentown to Pocono from 9/29/17 to 10/2/17 which may affect local traffic volume and emergency needs.

West End Ambulance: Calls for June 21.

Treasurer Christman: **Income**-\$41,562.22 **Bills**-\$86,144.61. Heckman moved to pay the Bills; seconded by Ahner. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried. **7/24/17 Report:** Total General Fund- \$1,532,034.00, comprised of: [PLGIT-\$304,750.28; Checking- \$694,341.34; Payroll- \$32,887.64; ESSA account- \$500,054.79.] Highway Aid Fund - \$473,012.80. All Funds Total \$2,005,046.85. Total Escrow Funds-\$48,206.79, comprised of: [Driveway-\$16,089.02; Camp Harlam Girls Septic-\$2,001.60 & Detention Basins-\$30,116.17.] Ahner moved to approve the 7/24/17 Treasurer's Report; seconded by Hurley. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried.

Roadmaster Ahner: The mower repair was \$5,800. A new 2-wheel drive mower will be considered for next year. The Durapatcher was used on Short Ln., Hill Rd., and Stagecoach. DBI finished spraying the guiderails and signs. Upper Middle Creek Rd. has been paved, but line-painting and shoulders are needed.

SolidWaste/Recycle: A walk-through audit was conducted by DEP on the items obtained from the 904 grant.

Secretary: (1)...Public Meeting on the Mill Pond Rd. Bridge replacement is 9/25/17 at 6pm...(2)... New estimate: Ahner moved to approve the cost of \$635.75 for the landscape materials around the welcome sign; seconded by Hurley. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried...(3)...Material for the new website has been compiled.

Parks: (1)..Chris Acconzo has completed his Eagle Scout Project at the Nature Park by blazing an entire trail in stone and rebuilding 2 bridges & a bench....(2)...The walking park sign & parking lot are ready to be installed.

Solicitor Fareri: Report is covered in the agenda.

Zoning/Codes Officer Zurat Report 7: [6/27/17 to 7/26/17] (1)... Permits 27/ 200-YTD; Inspections 16/ 134-YTD. (2)...Complaints 6/39-YTD...(3). Compliance is anticipated in 6 of 10 code issues which include: burning, litter, solid waste, a business, shed, junk vehicles, and an unsecured building...(4)...A Municipal Land Use Letter was completed for Aqua PA.

PLANS:

"The Woods Final Plan for Phase I" Time Extension Request: The Planning Commission had recommended a 60-day time extension. Ahner moved to grant "The Woods Phase I Final Plan" a 60-day time-extension, which takes the Plan's time to 10/5/17; Seconded by Hurley. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried.

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Derek Kleintop & Daria Dorshimer Lot Consolidation Plan: The Board was in receipt of Kresge's 6/22/17 review, a waiver request, and MCPC 3/2/17 review. Kresge provide background on the consolidation of 4 parcels along Gerner and Burger Hollow Rds. Ahner moved to grant a waiver from SALDO Sec. 404.2.S on wetlands; seconded by Hurley. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried. Heckman moved to approve the Derek Kleintop and Daria Dorshimer Lot Consolidation Plan; seconded by Hurley. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Hell Hollow Culvert: Grace Industries Project Manager Dan Shivok discussed issues facing the installation with Kresge and the Board, which includes: moving PPL, Blue Ridge, & Verizon lines; redline drawings for a change in the coffer dam position; culvert delivery, and completion before Oct. 1st. The Board & Shivok agreed to continue moving forward and the culvert was to be produced. Kresge will pen a work change order on the completion date.

Ross Twp. Amendment Revision on Definition of "Land Development": The Board was receipt of a 6/15/17 revision and the MCPC's 7/5/17 review letter. Ahner moved to agree with the amendment revisions of June 15th to Ross Township's definition of Land Development; seconded by Hurley. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried.

Dollar General: Kresge provided background on the lack of proper stormwater drainage & possible solutions which were discussed with the MCCD and a Dollar General Engineer. Kresge will continue with follow-up.

RNR Motors, Inc.: A Hearing had been held at 6:30 this evening. Heckman moved to approve RNR Motors, Inc.'s conditional use request for an additional auto display area (requirements of zoning ord. 856.3 were met) and the current stone surface as acceptable per the authority given to Supervisors in zoning ord. 504.10(c); seconded by Hurley. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried.

Proposed Ordinance 2017-05 on Tenant Registration: Fareri provided background on the proposed ordinance. Ahner moved to adopt Ordinance 2017-05, whereby landlord's are required to register tenant's annually; seconded by Heckman. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried.

Camp Harlam Drainage: Kresge explained his 7/3/17 letter on incomplete drainage improvements at the Camp. Director Selkow's 7/8/17 response letter indicated the improvements were complete. A meeting is to be set up at the site with the Director to discuss the drainage concerns.

Lower Middle Creek Bridge Damage: Dan Shivok's company does this type of work and already met at the site with Kresge. A quote to repair the concrete damage is forthcoming.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resident's Request for Stricter Noise Ordinance: The Board was in receipt of Kim Bennett's 7/4/17 E-mail and the current ordinance. Zurat provided background on past issues and the procedures he takes to rectify this type of issue. Fareri noted that the current zoning ordinance, Sec. 701.6, requires a specific procedure using decibel measurements for enforcement. Lengthy discussion ensued. Fareri will research additional ordinances on noise.

No Public Comment

As there was no further business, Ahner adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:20 pm

Respectfully Submitted,


Ruthanne Toner, Secretary