

APRIL 17, 2017 SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING

The Polk Township Supervisors met for a Regular Meeting on Monday, 4/17/17 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; Engineer Russell R. Kresge Jr.; Zoning/Codes Officer Gerald Zurat; and Treasurer Beverly A. Christman were present. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

MINUTES: Ahner moved to approve the 3/27/17 meeting minutes; seconded by Heckman. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: (1)...PSATS Week in Review 3/24/17; 3/31/17; 4/7/17...(2)...4/20/17-Land Banking & Blight Workshop 5-7pm...(3)...COG 3/27/17 minutes...(4)...MCPC 4/11/17 agenda & reviews; 2/14/17 minutes. (5)...CJERP 3/23/17 minutes & agenda...(6)...PSATS Youth Service Contest ...(7)...WEPOSC 2016 Annual Report...(8)...Kettle Creek Dinner Auction-5/12/17...(9)...DEP 3/28/17 Final Report on Cramer's....(10)...PennDOT LTAP newsletter & classes. (11)...COSTARS Newsletter...(12)...4/10/17 Meals on Wheels request. Ahner moved to approve a donation of \$100.00 to the "Meals on Wheel" volunteers; seconded by Hurley. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

Treasurer Christman: (1).....Income - \$24,215.80.....(2).....Bills - \$33,999.60. Ahner moved to pay the Bills submitted; seconded by Hurley. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried. 4/17/17 Report: Total General Fund...\$1,269,509.39 - [comprised of PLGIT - \$304,212.71; Checking - \$939,029.90; Payroll - \$26,266.78],.... PLGIT Highway Aid Fund - \$472,337.34.....All Funds Totaled \$1,741,846.73.....Escrow Funds: Driveway - \$16,088.22; Camp Harlam Girls Septic - \$2,001.55. Detention Basins - \$30,066.14. Ahner moved to approve the 4/17/17 Treasurer's Report; seconded by Heckman. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried. Resident Robert Andre asked for progress on muni-accounts for better interest. ESSA provided information, but Keybank has not yet replied. Andre discussed the Auditor's correspondence comments on the tax collector's bookkeeping. Ahner stated that the County audits the tax collector. Christman has suggested a response, but none was received. Fareri to follow up.

Polk Vol. Fire Co. & West End Comm. Ambulance: No report

Roadmaster Ahner: (1).. The Ford Tractor, which is an older piece of equipment will require transmission repairs of approximately \$4,000....(2)....The 2nd set of brushes on the backhoe are almost worn-out and new castors are \$475.00 each....(3)....Estimate was received to replace the salt building floor. Heckman moved to contract the repair of the salt building floor to Bruce George Paving for an estimate of \$3,500.00 and the township will purchase the material at approximately \$2,800.00; seconded by Hurley. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried....(5)....The trucks were inspected....(6)....The roadcrew is patching holes.

SolidWaste/Recycle: (1)... 275 tires were picked up...(2)... Almost 2/3's of the solid waste permits have been purchased for the 2017 season.

Secretary Toner: (1)... Nathan Clark, a 9th grade student in the Home & Auto Body Class at Pleasant Valley, was acknowledged for his attendance at the meeting.....(2).... The 20th Memorial Program will be held May 28th at 2pm....(3)....Paige Costenbader maintained the Memorial grounds in 2016 & did an excellent job; therefore, Ahner moved to contract the maintenance of the Veteran's Memorial Grounds for the 2017 Spring, Summer & Fall season to Paige Costenbader; seconded by Hurley. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried

Solicitor Fareri: Fareri provided a stormwater maintenance agreement. Ahner moved to present the updated stormwater maintenance agreement for the property at 970 Silver Spring Blvd., owned by the estate of Robert E. Lee, to the executrix, Linda E. Perez; whereby the agreement can be executed and recorded to run with the land. Seconded by Heckman. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried. Fareri has completed work on the ordinance for setbacks and maximum lot coverage; however the ordinance will be held for advertising with other proposed ordinances.

Zoning/Codes Officer Zurat Report # 4 [3/28/17 to 4/17/17]...(1)....Permits-32/YTD-98; Inspections-18/71-YTD...(2)....No new homes; 1-YTD...(3)....5-Complaints/17-YTD...(4)....Code issues included: 1-burning, 3-solid waste, 4-permits, 3-dangerous/unsecured buildings, 1-sign, 1-yard sale. Compliance anticipated in 5 cases. The street sign has been erected at Pinecrest Subdivision...(5)....2-right-to-know requests answered...(6)....The SEO is monitoring an issue at Tall Pine Acres...(7)....PPL will be upgrading the overhead line at the Gilbert substation.

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Parks: (1)...The insurance carrier has responded to liability questions on the stream by the future Community Walking Park. Liability increase charge is about \$30 a yr. While Townships have immunity in regards to recreational areas, the Township is responsible to keep a park maintained. Fareri concurred...(2)...Eagle Scout projects will take place this summer at the Nature Park, upon approval by the Eagle Board & the Township.

PLANS:

Derek K. Kleintop & Daria Dorshimer Lot Consolidation Plan request for 90 day extension: Ahner moved to grant a 90-day time extension to the Lot Consolidation Plan of Derek K. Kleinto & Daria Dorshimer, which will take the Plan to a new time of August 7, 2017. Seconded by Heckman. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Hell Hollow Culvert Bridge: Kresge has contacted Contech, the awardee of the culvert/bridge; however, guiderail must be added to the shop drawings, which must be approved before construction can take place.

Hell Hollow Culvert Installation Construction: Kresge anticipates the bid documents to be ready for advertisement in May & awarded in June at a special meeting.

Website Update: The Board discussed types of information to include: events, points of interest, Veterans Memorial, Historical Society, Nature Park, Jonas Preserve, rules at the recycling & transfer station, and ordinances. The site can be built a little at a time. Zurat suggested the ord.'s be codified first, before inclusion.

Insurance: Robert Andre asked if progress had been made on obtaining additional quotes for the Township Insurance? Christman stated that Brown and Brown is working on a quote and it is a lengthy process.

Resident Vincent Morello asked if a Township may keep unspent grant funds? Ahner replied that the 2 grants for the culvert project will not be enough funding and the Township is also adding funds.

NEW BUSINESS:

Paving for 2017: The Board members had previously reviewed roads in the Township, and PennDOT representative Jeffrey Robach had prepared the documents. Ahner moved to advertise the 2017 Paving Bid Documents for Upper Middle Creek Rd. Seconded by Hurley. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried.

Township Welcome Signs on RT 209: Toner provided a rendering of plantings and materials to landscape 2 signs. The sign to the west will be relocated to the Dwight & Beverly Christman property. The sign to the east will require an easement agreement with the current owner, before improvements are made.

Student Volunteer: Ahner moved to approve Michael Apgar's request to volunteer 13 hrs. at the Twp. helping to move mulch, clean, and carry bags at the recycle center. Seconded by Hurley. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried.

Detention Basin Escrows: Discussion ensued on Ahner's question about the lack of an escrow for The Wood's Detention Basins and how will funds be set aside for maintaining the development, since the Township does not have a standing resolution on detention basin escrows. The developer usually retains ownership and responsibility of maintenance of roads and facilities for a length of time, in order to continue selling homes. After a specified number of homes are sold, the developer turns the maintenance over to a Homeowners Association, which follows specific requirements outlined by the state. As the Final Plan Phases are being reviewed, the Township should remain vigilant of the formulation of the association to provide comment on the items to be included.

As there was no further Business, Ahner adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:54 pm.


Respectfully Submitted,
Ruthanne Toner, Secretary