

Brecknock Township
Board of Supervisors Meeting
October 13, 2015

The regular meeting of the Brecknock Township Board of Supervisors, Lancaster County that was scheduled for October 13, 2015 was held at the Brecknock Township Building, 1026 Dry Tavern Road, Fivepointville. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Garth Wise at 7:01 p.m.

At this time the Pledge of Allegiance took place followed by Roll Call of Officials.

Present were Garth Wise, Melvin Boyd & Arthur Zerbe.

Michael L. Reinert, P.E. was present as Township Engineer.

Guests

Ron Hershey, PLS of Hershey Surveying was present to discuss a stormwater management project on Oaklyn Drive for Drew & Amanda Hooper. They are proposing to construct a single family dwelling, driveway and residential improvements on the existing lot of record. Technicon has reviewed the stormwater management plan for compliance with Township ordinances and issued a letter dated September 24, 2015, noting 3 modification requests. The Township Planning Commission discussed the requests at their September meeting and recommended approval of the modifications, which are outlined in a letter dated September 30, 2015. Mr. Reinert noted that he had no objection to the requests due to the scope of the project being a single family dwelling on a residential lot. On a motion by Wise, seconded by Zerbe, the Board approved the modification requests as outlined in the September 30, 2015 letter from Technicon, all in favor, motion approved. On a motion by Boyd, seconded by Zerbe, the Board approved the Township Engineer's recommendation for the financial security in the amount of \$33,887.76 as noted in the Technicon letter of September 24, 2015, all in favor, motion approved. On a motion by Zerbe, seconded by Boyd, the Board approved the stormwater management agreement for the Hooper project, all in favor, motion approved. Mr. Wise noted that Ron Hershey has tendered his resignation from the Zoning Hearing Board and the Board thanked Ron for his years of service to the Township.

Kyle Sellers, Adamstown Library, was present to give a presentation of the strategic plan and focus of the library.

Community Open Session

Wilmer Gehman of East Maple Grove Road requested the Board review and respond to his email concerns pertaining to pedestrian safety, speeding enforcement, lack of crosswalks and four-way stop signs at intersection of Mill Street and East Maple Grove Road near the post office. Garth Wise reiterated that the concerns have been thoroughly researched and investigated in the past with meetings held with State representatives, PADOT and LTAP. Mr. Wise indicated that he would prepare a letter for Mr. Gehman to address the issues identified in his email.

A motion was made by Boyd, seconded by Zerbe to accept the September 8, 2015 Board of Supervisors minutes as presented. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Boyd and seconded by Zerbe to approve the bills as presented. Motion was approved.

Roadmasters Report – Andy Baum reviewed his report with the Board of Supervisors. A request was made by a resident to install storm sewer and inlet boxes along Chestnut Hill Road, however Andy does not feel it is necessary. The Board agreed with Andy and denied the request. It was mentioned that the fall road inspection should be scheduled for the week of October 26-30. Garth requested available dates from the Board members, Township Engineer and Andy so the date may be decided and advertised.

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At this time Michael Reinert presented the **ENGINEERS** report, noting he needed action on several items.

A motion was made by Boyd, seconded by Zerbe to release \$535,938.00 from the financial security for Maple Ridge North Subdivision, leaving a balance of \$339,980.45 to remain withheld. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Zerbe, seconded by Wise to release \$33,839.21 from the financial security for John Ottinger stormwater project, leaving a balance of \$3,396.27, which will serve as the maintenance security for 18 months. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Zerbe, seconded by Wise to release the remaining \$2,411.03 from the financial security for Michael & Melanie McHenry stormwater project. All in favor, motion approved.

At the last Planning Commission meeting, a recommendation was made to have the Township Engineer or Solicitor prepare a draft ordinance for snow removal on Township roads based on the Honey Brook Township ordinance language. A motion was made by Boyd, seconded by Zerbe, to authorize the preparation of a draft ordinance for review and discussion. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Wise and seconded by Zerbe to accept the Roadmaster, Engineer, SEO & Zoning Reports as presented. Motion was approved.

At this time Bill Cassidy reported he had no business items for action before the Board this evening.

PARK & RECREATION - No one was present on behalf of the Park & Rec Board. Arthur Zerbe said the Board should have Carol Martin send a letter to the FFA or the Park & Rec committee about completing the stream improvement projects since the person who is in charge of that is retiring at Garden Spot. The Board agreed and will request Carol to prepare a letter.

OLD BUSINESS

Bill Cassidy noted that Ordinance #207 was before the Board for consideration for adoption this evening. The Ordinance authorizes a reduction in the speed limit on Hilltop Road from 35 mph to 30 mph based on the speed study analysis. There were no comments or discussion. On a motion by Boyd, seconded by Zerbe, the Board approved Ordinance #207 as presented. All in favor, motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS

As noted previously, Mr. Wise noted that Ron Hershey has tendered his resignation from the Zoning Hearing Board. A motion was made by Zerbe, seconded by Boyd, to accept the resignation of Ron Hershey from the Township Zoning Hearing Board. All in favor, motion approved.

The Foreign Fire Insurance Premium Distribution requires approval by the Board of Supervisors. On a motion by Boyd, seconded by Zerbe, the Board approved the Fire Insurance Premium Distribution. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Zerbe, seconded by Boyd, to approve the memorandum of understanding between Brecknock Township and the Lancaster County Conservation District. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Boyd, seconded by Zerbe, to renew the annual salvage license for Ream's Disposal. All in favor, motion approved.

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Being no further business, meeting was adjourned by Chairman Wise at 8:10.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael L. Reinert
Township Engineer