

Brecknock Township
Board of Supervisors Meeting

July 11, 2017

The regular meeting of the Brecknock Township Board of Supervisors, Lancaster County that was scheduled for July 11, 2017 was held at the Brecknock Township Building, 1026 Dry Tavern Road, Fivepointville. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jerry Long at 7:00 p.m.

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

Present were Melvin Boyd, Arthur Zerbe, Jerry Long, William Cassidy, Mike Reinert & Carol Martin.

Community Open Session

Laura Rhoads 225 Spruce Street – has concerns with the property next to her's that has lots of stuff stored in the front yard and is an eyesore. She explained they are being relocated for work and are trying to sell their home. Mrs. Rhoads claims they lost potential buyers due to these conditions. Mr. Rhoads also spoke asking why the ordinance is not being enforced regarding this situation. He is aware the board has talked about this in previous months with recommendations from the Zoning Officer.

Tom Matteson – Diehm Surveyors representing Muddy Creek Christian School. They are requesting a waiver from the Land development process under Chapter 98-19 and 98-20 with the understanding they will address stormwater management for the site utilizing the small projects application. Motion was made by Long and seconded by Boyd to grant the waiver request as presented. Motion was approved.

Kathy Thren from the Adamstown Library was present and gave an update on the Library.

A motion to accept the March 13, 2017 Board of Supervisors minutes was made by Boyd and seconded by Zerbe. All in favor, motion was approved.

A motion was made by Zerbe and seconded by Boyd to approve the bills as presented. All in favor, motion was approved.

REPORTS –

The following items within the engineering report require Board action/approval this month:

1. **John D. Martin SWM** – Issued financial security recommendation letter dated May 19, 2017 in the amount of \$2,750.00.
2. **Scott Ravert SWM** – Received memorandum of understanding and stormwater management O&M agreement for small projects application. Issued financial security recommendation letter dated May 30, 2017 in the amount of \$1,535.60.
3. **John R. Zimmerman Land Development (Reading Road)** – Received 90 day extension of time from applicant's engineer in letter dated May 30, 2017.
4. **Philip Snader SWM** – Received memorandum of understanding and stormwater management agreement for proposed project. Issued financial security recommendation letter dated May 31, 2017 in the amount of \$5,500.00.
5. **John R. Zimmerman Land Development (Silver Hill Road)** – Received stormwater management agreement. Issued financial security recommendation letter dated June 6, 2017 in the amount of \$147,863.38.

6. **Villages at Hawk Valley Phase 1** – Received financial security release request and will be issuing recommendation letter prior to the June meeting.
7. **Dustin Bowman SWM** – Recommend releasing the balance of the escrow in the amount of \$971.05.

A motion was made by Boyd and seconded by Zerbe to accept and approve all of the recommendations noted by the Township Engineer. All in favor, motion approved.

At this time the board discussed a report from the Zoning Officer regarding the property located on Spruce Street which has junk accumulated on the property. Jerry felt we should give him another month to clean up, Mel feels we need to take action now, Arthur feels the attempts and time we have given him isn't working and also feels we need to take some action. Arthur feels we should file with the Local District Justice and asked to have a fine assessed if the property isn't cleaned up within a time frame set by the DJ. Motion was made by Boyd and seconded by Zerbe to take civil action at the local DJ Office as recommended by Zerbe. Motion approved by Boyd and Zerbe, Long voted no opposed.

A motion was made by Zerbe and seconded by Boyd to accept the Roadmaster, Engineer, SEO & Zoning reports as presented. All in favor, motion approved.

PARK & RECREATION

Park Board has requested to purchase two pieces of equipment for Brubaker Park. Both pieces would be purchased through the Costars state contract. Motion was made by Long and seconded by Zerbe to authorize the purchase of the Discover Cave from Biting Recreation at the cost of \$4,393.67 and the Toddlers Choice Model 2 from Lyons Recreation at the cost of \$6,979.89. Motion was approved by Long and Zerbe, Boyd voted no.

Zerbe feels we need more help in the park for the summer. Started a little later in season then we should have but feels adding the two High school boys, Josh Martin & Ethan Martin and also adding Pete Martin – not work more than 3 days a week each at a new rate of \$15.00 per hour with no benefits. Motion was made by Long and seconded by Zerbe, Boyd voted no stating the two boys were enough and he felt \$15.00 was too much. Motion was approved.

Levi Hoover received three estimates to replace the roof at the home at Brubaker Park. Lower bidder is Martin Roofing. Motion was made by Boyd and seconded by Zerbe to award the roof replacement bid to Martin Roofing at the bid price of \$17,819.00. Motion was approved.

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

At this time Mike updated the Board on the MS4 Pollutant Reduction Plan. The Board will need to hold a public hearing to inform the public of our proposed plan as well as allowing for a public comment period of 30 days. Motion was made by Boyd and seconded by Zerbe to authorize the advertisement for the public comment period as well as the public hearing to be held at the August 8, 2017 Board of Supervisors meeting. Motion was approved.

At this time Jerry proposed giving all employees who have been employed for more than 6 months a 3% cost of living increase. Boyd feels giving bonuses is better. Zerbe feels we have a great crew and they deserve it and would be in favor of it. Motion was made by Zerbe and seconded by Boyd

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(stating that he feels we can't keep doing it every year) to give a 3% cost of living increase to anyone who has been employed for more than 6 months f/t & p/t effective July 1, 2017. Motion was approved.

A motion was made by Zerbe to adjourn at 8:07 pm Boyd seconded. All in favor, motion approved.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carol L. Martin
Admin/Secretary/Treasurer