

Brecknock Township  
Board of Supervisors Meeting  
February 9, 2016

The regular meeting of the Brecknock Township Board of Supervisors, Lancaster County that was scheduled for February 9, 2016 was held on February 16, 2016 due to inclement weather conditions and 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.

Chairman Long welcomed William Cassidy back as Township Solicitor, Carol Martin, Secretary/Treasurer and Mike Reinert, Twp Engineer.

Jerry stated that he was going to add an additional Open Session before the Board takes action of the Appointments under New Business this evening.

#### Community Open Session

Ron Funk – presented two hand-outs and read them aloud regarding several topics (Attached to minutes as exhibit).

Larry Horning – stated he spoke at the January meeting regarding many topics in which he again talked about many of the same issues.

Cindy Speace thanked Jerry for adding the additional Community Open Session she also hoped that a performance evaluation process is put into place.

At this time the board was given an opportunity to make comments. Mel Boyd had no comments. Art Zerbe made a few comments. Mel decided to make a few comments regarding his appointment to the Northern Lancaster County Authority when the Northern Lancaster County Authority was considered having a “runaway” board. He tried to help choose a more affordable upgrade to the plant but it was too late at that point.

GUEST – At this time Mike Reinert explained the modification request from Good’s Feed Mill which was to waive the Land Development process. The waiver was requested with the following justification; the proposed construction is less than 820 sq. ft. and 72% of the proposed construction is replacing an existing shed roof and the rest of the project is over and existing concrete pad. The entire construction is currently 100% impervious surface already. After discussion a motion was made by Boyd and seconded by Zerbe to waive the Land Development Procedures and allow Good’s Feed Mill to proceed to the Building Permit. Motion was approved.

Harvey Zimmerman of Black Creek Greenhouse has requested that the Board consider amending section 110-68 – Retail sale of plant, nursery and garden materials to allow for more than 1,500 square feet of the display area. He stated that the demand for more items has him very limited as to what he can carry for his customers. After much discussion a motion was made by Boyd and seconded by Zerbe to have Mike Reinert get some neighboring municipalities ordinances related to this topic to compare, as well as touch base with Randy Heilman at the Lancaster County Planning Commission to see if he can offer any suggested language to that and present it at the Planning Commission Mtg in February and come back to the Board of Supervisors in March with a proposed amendment. All in favor, motion was approved.

A motion was made by Zerbe, seconded by Boyd to accept the January 4, 2016 and the January 12, 2016 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. All in favor, motion was approved.

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Roadmasters Report – Andy mentioned those people and companies that came out and helped us during the storm. Thank you will be sent to those individuals. Andy did ask the Board if they were interested in him getting additional people to plow during long duration storms so they could work 12 hour shifts. It was mentioned that we are exempt from the driving restrictions as far as hours are concerned for winter maintenance. Since it's the end of the season the Board felt at this should possibly be revisiting prior to the next winter season.

At this time the board reviewed the items that needed action on Michael Reinert's Engineers report:

A motion was made by Boyd and seconded by Zerbe to authorize a reduction in the Levi Leinbach Jr. financial security in the amount of \$18,433.64 and withholding \$1,843.36 for the maintenance period. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Boyd and seconded by Zerbe to accept the Financial Security in the amount of \$2,750 from David Brubaker for Storm Water Management. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Zerbe and seconded by Boyd to accept the Storm Water Management Agreement for David Brubaker for Storm Water facilities. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Boyd and seconded by Zerbe to accept the Memorandum of Understanding from David Brubaker. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Boyd and seconded by Zerbe accepting the extension of time from Sun Valley Campground until May 9, 2016. All in favor, motion approved.

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

**PARK & RECREATION** Arthur asked that the section on the report that still states they are going to clearing for Volleyball Court at the Eagles Nest should be removed from their monthly minutes. He also wanted it mentioned to the Park & Recreation Board that when Eagles Scout projects are brought before the Park & Recreation Board they then need to be presented to the Board of Supervisors for their approval before any projects are done.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

At this time Jerry explained that this process of evaluating third party agencies for Engineering, SEO, choices for companies to issue Building Permits and hiring of an in house part time Zoning Officer was not done because something was broken or anyone did anything wrong it was merely done to evaluation comparable prices vs. services and to offer some choices. The board members tonight will be making their decisions solely on the proposals that were submitted. At this time Jerry asked if the Board members would like to make any comments. Mel stated he would like to continue to retain Technicon Enterprises for Engineering services as well as SEO Services he also would agree with appointed the three companies that presented cost for Building Permit (Associated Building Inspections, Commonwealth Code Inspection Services, Inc. & Technicon Enterprises, Inc.) and finally he would recommend the hiring of Levi Hoover as the townships part time zoning officer. Arthur agreed with Mel's suggestions as well.

At this time Long opened the floor for public comments before the Board takes any action.

Garth Wise stated he feels that after working with Technicon Enterprises for the last 8-10 years he feels they have proven their professionalism they should be retained in Brecknock Township. Cindy Speace stated that he has definitely given Mike Reinert a run for his money at times but has always

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appreciated his professionalism as well as helping everyone understand his explanation on things stuff at a level we can all understand. Phi Snader said that although he hasn't have issues and has working in the construction business for 25 years it's not a bad thing to have choices, stating we all don't have one grocery store to shop at do we. Larry asked if the average homeowner comes in how they will know who to choose.

The open session was closed at this point.

A motion was made by Boyd and seconded by Long to continue the services of Technicon Enterprises for Township Engineering. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Boyd and seconded by Zerbe to continue the services of Technicon Enterprises for Township Sewage Enforcement Officer. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Long and seconded by Zerbe to appoint Associated Building Inspections, Inc, Commonwealth Code Inspection Services, Inc. and Technicon Enterprises for Building Permit Issuance. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Long and seconded by Boyd to offer Levi Hoover the position of Part time Zoning Officer. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Zerbe and seconded by Boyd to offer Levi Hoover a starting wage of \$22.00 per hour for a 60 day probationary period and then to \$24.00 with no benefits, start date will be determined upon acceptance of the position. All in favor, motion approved.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Boyd and seconded Zerbe to appoint Roger Sauder to the Northern Lancaster County Authority Board, noting that the Authority has an existing working relationship with Sauder's Garage and as long as the service continues at its current level the relationship should be allowed to continue. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Long and seconded by Zerbe to appoint Steve Hildebrand to the Zoning Hearing Board as an alternate. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Boyd and seconded by Zerbe to accept Resolution 2016-3 A RESOLUTION GRANTING PERMISTION TO PARTICIPATE IN A CO-OPERATIVE BIDDING AND PURCHARING AGREEMENT FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF ROAD WORK IDENTIFIED AS BITUMINOUS SEALCOAT, MICROSURFACING RALUMAC TYPE A, MICROSURFACING RUT FILL APPLICATION, AND LINE STRIPING WITH MULITPLE MUNICIAPLITES. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Zerbe and seconded by Boyd to accept the 2016 Real Estate Tax Duplicate for 2674 taxable accounts in the base amount of \$119,772.05. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Zerbe and seconded by Boyd to accept the 2016 Street Light Tax Duplicate for 642 accounts in the base amount of \$52,610.20. All in favor, motion approved.

At this time the revision to Floodplain Regulations were discussed. It has been discussed in previous meeting but the implementation of legally enforceable floodplain management regulations is necessary for the township to continue to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). FEMA completed an update to the Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for Lancaster County that will become effective April 5, 2016. As a result the township is required to update its floodplain management regulations to adopt the new FIRM. In Brecknock Township in

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order to comply with these regulations we need to amend 3 existing ordinance and adopt the model ordinances which was prepared by DCED.

A motion was made by Zerbe and seconded by Boyd to authorize the advertisement of the amendments to Zoning, SALDO and Storm Water Ordinance as well as the new Floodplain Ordinance for action by the Board of Supervisors at the March meeting. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Zerbe and seconded by Boyd to accept the Resolution 2016-4 appointing Weinhold Nickel LLC to examine the accounts of the township for 2015. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Long and seconded by Zerbe to authorize the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Rumspringa ½ marathons to be held on April 16<sup>th</sup> on township roads. All in favor, motion approved.

Being no further business, meeting was adjourned by a motion made by Zerbe and seconded by Boyd. All in favor, motion approved.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Carol L. Martin  
Secretary/Treasurer