Brecknock Township Board of Supervisors Meeting August 9, 2022

The regular meeting of the Brecknock Township Board of Supervisors, Lancaster County that was scheduled for August 9, 2022, 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.

Present were Board of Supervisors Jerry Long, Andrew Baum, David Leinbach & Secretary/Treasurer Carol Martin.

Michael Reinert, Township Engineer, and Elizabeth Magovern were both present as well.

At this time Andy Baum made a motion to amend the agenda to discuss and possibility take action on the backhoe and wide area mower. Hearing no second the motion dies. They can still be discussed just no action can be taken at this time.

Community Open Session – Gene Martini expressed his appreciation for the work that was done at Lauschtown Rd & Rt. 625. He then wanted to know why the township roadcrew was working with the authority to fix that area. Gene also mentioned about the speeding on township road and in the state of PA can you ticket with just the pictures taken on the speed timing device. Also wanted to know if the township can ticket people for parking illegally.

Ron Shrom mentioned the speeding on Oaklyn Drive.

A motion was made by Baum and seconded by Leinbach to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2022; Board of Supervisors Meeting as presented. All in favor, motion approved.

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

Roadmasters Report – Deferred conversation on Lauschtown Rd and Rt 625 to the RM reports. Again Gene Martini wanted to know why PennDOT didn't fix the area and why was the roadcrew working there and the sewer authority. It was explained that the township and the authority have always worked together on projects that would require more men for safety reasons and/or because of the lack of equipment from the Northern Lancaster County Authority. Jerry states we should have an intermunicipal agreement like we do with other municipalities. Flagger force was mentioned also, Andy stated that Flagger Force is expensive.

Andy asked if PSP calls him due to a winter incident that needs corrected immediately and they can't get a response from the state, and it's located on a state road does that mean we don't do it even though PSP says It's a safety hazard?

Andy was questioned on the mowing schedule for township roads, which is 3-4 times a year. Jerry stated that the state roads are not getting mowed, and he is hearing complaints, he asked if the roadcrew would mow them for the township residence. The response was no.

The wide area (Park) mower was discussed, Jerry said he spoke to Willard Horst about the Hustler who felt there would be a lot of life out of the current mower once the part comes in and it can be repaired. Jerry stated he is not in favor of purchasing a new one but would be interesting in used one and repairing the Hustler.

Jerry stated that he would like the township to consider a new position, a Park Manager. This person would be the project manager for park projects like lights, etc.... Dave said he would be in favor of that. Jerry stated he felt we should work in cooperation with the Park Board.

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The backhoe was discussed. A lot of discussion took place were questions on replacing the backhoe with new, used or not at all. It was also mentioned whether the current backhoe has ever had regular maintenance done to maintain the rust, etc. since it is kept outside. Dave requested that the backhoe be placed on the September Board of Supervisors agenda.

The board reviewed the items that needed action on Michael Reinert's Engineers report and presented by Mr. Reinert.

Mike presented the Weber Lot add plan – Prelim/Final plan since the applicants engineer had to be at another township.

After short introduction of the plan a motion was made by Long and seconded by Leinbach to grant the following waivers: 95 - 18.D(2) for road and shoulder widening improvements along Panorama & Dry Tavern Roads; 98 - 19 to allow a combined preliminary/final plan approval; 98-25.A(1) to allow for a plan scale of 1"=60'.also to grant a conditional prelim/final plan contingent they meet all the requirements of the township engineers review letter of 07/18/22. All in favor, motion approved.

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

- 1. **Mary Ann Weber Subdivision Final Plan** Planning Commission recommended approval of waivers and conditional approval in letter dated July 26, 2022.
- 2. **Ryan Miller SWM** Received memorandum of understanding for action by the Board and issued financial security recommendation letter dated 08/05/22 in the amount of \$8,800.
- 3. **Nathan M. Brubaker Subdivision & Land Development Plan** Issued financial security recommendation letter dated July 18, 2022, in the amount of \$179,290.32. Received stormwater management and developer's agreement for action by the Board.
- 4. **Greenview Bible Camp SWM** Issued financial security release recommendation dated August 3, 2022, in the amount of \$5,221.06.
- 5. **Alvin Shirk SWM** Issued financial security release recommendation dated August 3, 2022, in the amount of \$3,631.26.
- 6. **Villages at Hawk Valley Phase 1** Discussion of timing of completion of remaining punch list items prior to acceptance of dedication by the Board. Review letter dated August 4, 2022.

Liz had no issues with the engineers' recommendations. A motion was made by Baum and seconded by Leinbach to accept and approve all the recommendations noted by the Township Engineer (#2-5). All in favor, motion approved.

#6 on the engineers list was to discuss with the board the dedication of Villages at Hawk Valley, Phase 1. There are a number of items still to be completed on their punch list of things to do. Typically the township waits on those being completed prior to acceptance. The board agreed

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

PARK & RECREATION Jerry stated that since the amusement tax is starting to come in now that we should look at the installation of lights at least along the roads into Brubaker Park. It was brought up again about creating a job description for a Park Manager and consider adding that position at reorganization meeting in 2023. This will be placed on next months agenda.

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A barn restoration company came and looked at the barn at the Brubaker Farmhouse to give the township a proposal to restore the barn.

OLD BUSINESS

Slabach Road/Bridge update – Ron Hershey is working on getting the township the information that is needed to begin the processes of abandonment.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion was made by Long and seconded by Baum authorize the change in milage reimbursement effective July 1, 2022, to 62.5 cents per mile. All in favor, motion approved.

Ron Shrom who lives at 1320 Oaklyn Drive is have an issue with the water coming across into his yard from Merle Eberly's property. After discussion a motion was made by Long and seconded by Leinbach to authorize the road master to install another inlet box at the edge of Merle Eberly's field and take the pipe down along the edge Ron Schroms' driveway as close to the macadam that's already there to try and catch all the water that is coming down through. Long added to the motion that it should be done in a relatively near future. Leinbach said not knowing the roadmasters schedule he couldn't agree to that part of the motion. Motion reverted to original motion which Long and Leinbach voted yes. Baum opposed.

Mike Martin still had a forklift and some racking in the building on the land that the township recently purchased. Jerry met with Mike there and he would sell the township for \$3,000 for the racking and the forklift. Jerry made a motion to purchase the forklift and racks for \$3,000. There was no second so the motion died.

Short Rentals (Airbnb) are becoming a big thing and the townships current zoning does not have any regulations for that. After discussion a motion was made by Long and seconded by Baum to ask the Brecknock Township Planning Commission for some recommendations to the Board of Supervisors for zoning regulations for Airbnb's. All in favor, motion approved.

A second revision of the Ag zoning regulations was discussed After discussion Long made a motion to accept the original revision as forwarded from the Planning Commission and move forward for adoption at a future meeting. Hearing no second the motion died.

A motion was made by Leinbach and seconded by Long to adjourn at 9:24 pm. All in favor, motion approved.

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