Brecknock Township Board of Supervisors Meeting June 10, 2025

The regular meeting of the Brecknock Township Board of Supervisors, Lancaster County that was scheduled for June 10, 2025 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.

Invocation was given by Bob Martin.

Present were Jerry Long, Dave Leinbach, Carol Martin. Mike Reinert, Twp Engineer and Elizabeth McGovern. Andy Baum was present via zoom.

At this time the public hearing was started for the Rezoning Petition that was presented to the BOS several months ago. The hearing has been advertised, properties have been posted, we have received comments from the Brecknock Township Planning Commission and the Lancaster County Planning Commission. The floor was opened for public comments. Hearing none, the floor was closed. The Board had no questions or comments for the applicant. A motion was made by Long and seconded by Leinbach to adopt Ordinance 2025-239 changing the Official Zoning map as requested by JTK Investments in his petition requesting to rezone certain areas of land from AG to Light Industrial. All in favor, motion approved.

The floor was then given to the Syncarpha Solar Farm representative Dave Fox introduced himself. A brief explanation of the solar farm project on Silver Hill Rd was given and after a few questions, a motion was made by Leinbach and seconded by Baum to approve the PC recommendations in letter from Technicon Enterprise dated May 28, 2025 granted the waivers requested. All in favor, motion approved. A Motion was made by Long and seconded by Leinbach to grant conditional final plan approval contingent on the applicant addressing all outstanding items contained in the Township Engineer letter dates May 12, 2025. All in favor, motion approved.

Community Open session – Josh Pieffer from Bowmansville Fire Company presented the BOS a half year report showing calls and financials. Talk about the up and coming needs and shortfalls for equipment as well as he discussed the radio replacement situation.

A motion was made by Baum and seconded by Long to approve the 05/13/25 minutes as presented. All in favor, motion approved.

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

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

- 1. **Syncarpha Solar Farm Land Development** Issued PC recommendation letter dated May 28, 2025 for consideration by the Board.
- 2. **Double Run Carriers Land Development** Issued financial security release recommendation letter dated June 3, 2025 in the amount of \$190,019.60.
- 3. **1012 Oaklyn Drive Subdivision** Received memorandum of understanding for action by the Board.
- 4. **1200 Kramer Mill Road** Received memorandum of understanding for action by the Board.

- 5. **Leonard Hoover SWM** Issued financial security release recommendation letter dated May 14, 2025 in the amount of \$6,245.25.
- 6. **Eric Becker SWM** Received memorandum of understanding for action by the Board.

Legal council had no issues with the recommendations. A motion was made by Baum and seconded by Leinbach to approve 2 - 6 on the engineer's report (#1 was taken care of during guest portion of the meeting). All in favor, motion approved.

Roadmasters Report – Andy discussed the need to replace the mower at Bowmanville Park. The mower there was purchased in 1997. Baum's recommendation is to purchase a Exmark with a 96 "deck on it. He proposes to take one of the JD mowers that is at Brubaker Park and put that at the township building and take the mower at the township building to Bowmansville Park. Having a larger deck on the Ex-mark would be very beneficial at Brubaker Park since that is the area that has the most to mow and will help cut mowing time. Reading Tractor and Equipment has a used one that was traded in by another municipality and they would sell that to the township for \$16,900. It is a 2020 Model approx. 530 hours or they have a new one for \$32,244.80. These are all costar contract prices. After discussion a motion was made by Baum and seconded by Leinbach to authorize the purchase of a used Ex-mark Mowing tractor for \$16,900.00. All in favor, motion was approved.

Zoning Officer Report - In May the BT Planning Commission recommended increasing the impervious coverage limit from 25% to 35% in the Residential Low Zoning District as recommended by the Zoning Officer. Next step would be for the Solicitor to draft an ordinance to be submitting to the LCPC and back to the BTPC for official recommendation to the BOS for their action at a future BOS meeting. Motion was made by Long and seconded by Leinbach to authorize Liz's office to draft an ordinance and submit to LCPC and BTPC for a final recommendation to the BOS before official action at a future BOS meeting. All in favor, motion was approved.

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

PARK & RECREATION – Last month the park board did not meet. They did, however, have a recommendation from a prior meeting regarding a fencing installation for a dog run at Brubaker Park. Motion was made by Baum and seconded by Leinbach to approve the fencing estimate from LB Fencing at the proposed cost of \$10,593.80. All in favor, motion approved.

OLD BUSINESS - NONE

NEW BUSINESS – The Board discussed COL increases for the employees. Motion was made by Long and seconded by Leinbach to authorize a 4% increase for C. Martin and a 3 ½ % increase for K. Firestone. All in favor, motion approved.

Motion was made by Baum and seconded by Leinbach to give H. Nolt a 4% increase and E. Martin and S. Kulp a 3% increase. Motion was approved by Baum and Leinbach, Long voted no.

Motion was made by Leinbach and seconded by Baum to give L. Hoover a 3% increase. Motion was approved.

Community Open session -No one wished to speak.

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A motion was made by Baum and seconded by Leinbach to adjourn at 8:07 PM. All in favor, motion approved.

Carol L. Martin Secretary/Treasurer/Admin.