

ROBESON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 19, 2019

Vice-Chairman Love called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00PM prevailing time; Chairman Smith was absent. The meeting took place in the Robeson Township Public Meeting Room located at 2689 Main Street, in Gibraltar, Berks County, Pennsylvania. Board members present: Brown, Graham & Steve. Also in attendance were Solicitor Christopher J. Hartman, Engineer Gary D. Kraft, Road Master Bill Lanza, Chief of Police Mark Phillips & Manager Colleen Easterday.

Pledge to the Flag and Moment of Silence

ROADS, CODES & PUBLIC PROPERTY

Discussion re bids for replacing pipe on Oakbrook Court. Supervisor Steve moved to authorize Township Engineer Kraft to apply for a permit, if necessary, for Oakbrook Court. Following a second by Supervisor Graham, the motion passed unanimously.

RM Lanza stated he spoke with Dave Sparr; sometime next week he will take a tree down, weather permitting.

Road Inspection – discussion re dates for first week of March. Mr. Lanza requested the BOS e-mail him dates of availability. Bridges (Rock Hollow Road, Gunhart Road, and Old River Road) to check during road inspection were also discussed.

RM Lanza reported a plow is bent from hitting a manhole on Chapel Road; taking to E.M. Kutz for repair. GAJA project constructors will be billed for the repair cost.

POLICE

Temporary Closing of Furnace Road for the Hay Creek Festival, Apple Festival & Christmas @ Joanna was discussed. A resolution will be before the BOS in March authorizing the closing.

Chief Phillips advised the BOS of a grant received to run speed details which pays for PD overtime.

CORRESPONDENCE

Supervisor Steve moved to authorize a “letter of agreement” be sent to SECTV renewing the franchise agreement. Supervisor Graham seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

MINUTES

Minutes of the Supervisors Workshop of January 10, 2019 & Regular Meeting of January 15, 2019 were reviewed & unanimously approved as presented upon a motion by Supervisor Steve that was seconded by Supervisor Graham.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS

Supervisor Steve moved to pay the bills for the period of December 18, 2018 thru January 15, 2019; following a second by Supervisor Graham, the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

The January 2019 Revised Treasurer's Summary/Report, (EEMA Sewer Report was e-mailed to the BOS), Sewer Aging Report, SEO Permit Report, Road, Building, Police & Fire Company Reports were reviewed and unanimously approved upon a motion by Supervisor Graham that was seconded by Supervisor Steve.

PLANNING & ENGINEERING

Scoupe deVille Land Development (Preliminary / Final) – waiver request – Engineer Kraft reported the Applicant has requested a waiver of §507.E.3.a. related to providing an additional 10 feet wide right-of-way behind the existing PennDOT right-of-way along the Main Street frontage of the site. The PC and he recommend approval of the waiver. Supervisor Steve moved to grant the waiver; following a second by Supervisor Graham, the motion passed unanimously.

Shantz / DeLong Annexation Subdivision (Preliminary / Final) – conditional approval – Engineer Kraft reported the PC recommended approval subject to completion of the outstanding items noted in his review letter of January 2, 2019. Since then, the Applicant has addressed most of the items with only

signatures, seals and acknowledgement of the Sewage Planning Waiver by DEP remaining. It is recommend that the BOS approve plan subject to the Applicant providing a \$500 refundable deposit related to deed recording. Supervisor Graham moved to conditionally approve the plan based on the above; following a second by Supervisor Steve, the motion passed unanimously.

Cedar Hill View Subdivision – request for 1 year extension of plan approval – Engineer Kraft noted this plan was approved in 2006; however, due to the Governor’s plan approval extensions, the approval plan remains active thru mid-April of 2019. The Applicant has subdivision for sale and is seeking a 1 year extension of the plan approval. Both the Zoning Ordinance and the SALDO have been significantly revised; so the Applicant is seeking the extension to preserve the current design. Engineer Kraft recommended approval of the extension subject to payment of all outstanding fees. Supervisor Steve moved to conditionally approve the extension as stated above; following a second by Supervisor Graham, the motion passed unanimously.

Plan time extensions (thru 3/31/19) Shantz / Delong Sub (P/F) & Scoupe deVile LD (P/F) - both expire 3/3/19. The PC approved the extensions and recommends approval by the BOS. Supervisor Graham moved to grant the extensions; following a second by Supervisor Steve, the motion passed unanimously.

SOLICITOR

Animal Rescue League – discussion.

Enact Ordinance #19-03 Repealer of Pension Trustee Appointment – Supervisor Steve moved to enact the Ordinance; following a second by Supervisor Graham, the motion passed unanimously.

Affirm Existing Trustee – Supervisor Graham moved to affirm the existing trustee as BB&T; following a second by Vice-Chairman Love, the motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Steve moved to advertise for Pension Advisors; following a second by Supervisor Graham, the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCE/OTHER

Land Use changes & changes to the Zoning Map – Supervisor Steve moved to accept & adopt the land use changes recommended by the PC as designated growth areas (Geigertown, SR10 & SR724) for the Comprehensive Plan and to send the PC a directive to apply said changes to all zoning areas as recommended. Following a second by Supervisor Brown, the motion passed unanimously.

Email from Commissioner Barnhardt re Allegheny Aqueduct & associated properties – Supervisor Steve moved to reject the request; following a second by Supervisor Graham, the motion passed unanimously.

Zoning Hearing Board classes – Supervisor Steve moved to authorize ZHB members to classes at a cost of \$50.00 p/p; following a second by Supervisor Graham the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution #19-06 – dates for the temporary closure of Furnace Road as stated above by Chief Phillips will be reviewed for the March BOS meeting.

Manager Easterday informed the BOS of the broken door switch on the heater in the PD; she is getting quotes for replacement.

The BOS was apprised of the Municipal Dinner to be held March 28th.

The meeting was unanimously adjourned @ 8:07PM upon a motion by Supervisor Brown that was seconded by Supervisor Steve.

Respectfully Submitted,
By Kathleen C. Haight on behalf
Of Galen L. Brown