

ROBESON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 22, 2019

Chairman Smith called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00PM prevailing time. The meeting took place in the Robeson Township Public Meeting Room located at 2689 Main Street, in Gibraltar, Berks County, Pennsylvania. Board member R. Douglas Love was not present. Also in attendance were Solicitor Christopher J. Hartman, Engineer Gary D. Kraft, Chief Mark Phillips & Manager Colleen Easterday.

Pledge to the Flag and Moment of Silence

ROADS, CODES & PUBLIC PROPERTY

Multiple residents from Briarwood were in attendance regarding the status of road repairs.

Jeff Nye and Phil Reynolds complained about water runoff in Briarwood as well as the 2" overlay on Briarwood Road.

Jim Miller complained about the possible impact of overlaying the road.

James Connolly complained about the condition of the shoulder from washing out.

POLICE

Authorize Officer Elliott Attendance: Colt Armorers Recertification – Supervisor Steve moved to authorize attendance @ \$550.00. Chairman Smith seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Municipal Policing Agreement w/ Birdsboro Police Department – Solicitor Hartman was directed to prepare an Ordinance re the "Agreement" upon a motion by Supervisor Steve that was seconded by Chairman Smith. Supervisor Graham was absent from the vote.

CITIZENS CONCERNS

Robert Caldwell complained about his neighbor parking a truck in his yard blocking site distance to Mr. Caldwell's driveway and may be in the Township right-of-way. Engineer Kraft will check on the resident parking.

Bernard Keturakis of 237 Bard Road stated he was following up on a request for the Township to repair the other half of the pipe and pothole. Engineer Kraft will check with Crew Leader Butch Matz for review.

MINUTES

Minutes of the Supervisors Workshop of April 11, 2019, Regular Meeting of April 16, 2019 & April 26, 2019 were unanimously approved upon a motion by Supervisor Steve that was seconded by Supervisor Graham.

Minutes of the RTMA meeting of April 15, 2019 were included for information only.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS

Supervisor Graham moved to pay the bills for the period of April 16, 2019 through May 22, 2019; following a second by Supervisor Steve, the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

The April 2019 Treasurer's Summary/Report, EEMA Sewer Report, Sewer Aging Report (thru 2nd Quarter 2019), SEO Permit Report, Road (inc'g March), Building, Police & Fire Company Reports were reviewed and unanimously approved upon a motion by Supervisor Steve that was seconded by Supervisor Graham.

PLANNING & ENGINEERING

Kauffman / Klein Variance – Engineer Kraft reported the Applicants are requesting a variance to encroach (possibly) within 6 feet of the front property line to build a porch and dormer addition to their dwelling. The front yard area in question is along a paper street in the Green Hills Lake (east) area.

The paper street area is used for resident access to the lake, but is nothing more than a driveway. Also, the PC reviewed the Application but provided no comment. The hearing is scheduled for Thursday May 23rd. No comment was made by the BOS.

SOLICITOR

Enact Ordinance #19-04 – Amending Code for Accessory Uses & Structures – Supervisor Steve moved to enact Ordinance #19-04; following a second by Chairman Smith the motion passed. Supervisor Graham abstained from the vote.

Wickliffe – Supervisor Steve moved to authorize transfer of judgement and commence personal property / Sheriff sale. Supervisor Graham seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

FINANCE/OTHER

Adopt Pension Resolution #19-08 and Investment Management Agreements – Supervisor Steve moved to adopt the Resolution & Agreements; following a second by Chairman Smith, the motion passed unanimously.

Redstone Valley – The BOS reviewed information received. Supervisor Steve moved to have Mr. Lampe take the project to the Planning Commission. Following a second by Supervisor Graham, the motion passed unanimously.

Seasonal Worker – Thomas Favinger has been hired as a Township employee and will be taking care of the Township mowing.

Recycling Bins – Discussion only

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The BOS recessed to Executive Session @ 8:24PM to discuss Litigation, Personnel & Labor Negotiations; reconvened @ 9:51PM.

Upon review, Supervisor Steve moved to adopt the RETURN TO WORK Policy; following a second by Chairman Smith, the motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Steve moved to pay Crew Leader, Butch Matz, the Road Master hourly rate until said position is filled. Following a second by Supervisor Graham, the motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Steve moved to authorize Chairman Smith and Manager Easterday to confer with Butch Matz to review expectations of the Crew Leader.

There being no further business before the BOS, Chairman Smith moved to adjourn the meeting @ 9:55PM. Following a second by Supervisor Steve, the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by
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