

PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

David J. Gerhart • C. William Shaffer • John Schroeder

Monday through Thursday, closed Friday | Hours: 6:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. | Meeting: First Monday, 7:00 p.m.



SUPERVISORS MEETING May 1, 2017

The regular meeting of the Providence Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Township Municipal Office on Monday, May 1, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chairman David Gerhart, Vice Chairman C. William Shaffer, Member John Schroeder, Solicitor Melvin Newcomer, Manager Vicki Eldridge and twelve (12) observers.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Gerhart at 7:00 P.M followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Gerhart offered prayer.

BID AWARDS

Bids were opened by the roadmaster on April 27, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

- Following discussion, Mr. Gerhart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to award the Truce Road widening project to Highway Materials in the amount of \$192,190.81. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Following discussion, Mr. Gerhart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to award the Frogtown Road widening project to Pennsy Supply in the amount of \$127,290.05. The motion was carried unanimously.

MINUTES

- Mr. Gerhart explained that each Supervisor received a copy of the written minutes from the April 3, 2017 Board of Supervisors Meeting. With no additions or corrections to the minutes, Mr. Gerhart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to approve the minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

- Vicki Eldridge read the financial report.
- Mr. Shaffer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to ratify payment of April bills in the amount of \$108,580.88 from the general fund and \$974.00 from the state fund. The motion was carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF BUDGET

- Mr. Shaffer stated that we should continue to track the budget closely to determine how much of our surplus we can apply to our outstanding debt.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Merv Conrad asked if a resident can hold two positions within a township. He also had questions related to the purchase of an equipment trailer.
- Linda Murray expressed concern regarding the bamboo that was cut on her property. She also had questions regarding trimming a branch of a tree on her property.

- Pepper Goslin asked if all costs involved with the construction of the pedestrian bridge over Route 222 on the Enola Low Grade Trail are covered with grant funding. He also had questions regarding a linear park maintenance expenditure and whether our current road improvement program is underfunded.

PARKS/RECREATION REPORT

- Mr. Gerhart stated that the next parks/recreation committee meeting will be held on Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.
- Mr. Gerhart announced that the "Notice to Proceed" to construction was issued to Kinsley Construction for the construction of the Route 222 pedestrian bridge.
- Following discussion regarding the possibility of painting the bridge girders, due to cost, it was decided to not paint the entire girder. The ends will be painted so the rust does not stain the concrete.
- The MDF sample letter for the inclusion in forming the bridge parapets was shown to the supervisors.

SOUTHERN LANCASTER COUNTY INTERMUNICIPAL COUNCIL

- Mr. Gerhart stated the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Further discussions regarding the Radcliff Road Bridge were tabled at this time as no new information was available.
- Following discussion regarding changes to the current zoning ordinance, the supervisors directed the solicitor to finalize the changes. Mr. Shaffer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerhart to forward changes to the township planning commission and the Lancaster County Planning Commission for review and comments. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Following discussion regarding issues with site distance at the corner of Oak Bottom Road and W. Fourth Street, the supervisors asked the roadmaster to talk with the homeowner about the issue.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Gerhart announced the township will hold woody yard waste collection day for the township residents on Saturday, May 6 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.
- Mr. Gerhart announced the township offices will be closed on Monday, May 29, 2017 in observance of Memorial Day.
- Mr. Gerhart announced that our new equipment trailer has been built and is ready for delivery. Mr. Gerhart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to authorize the township manager to execute all paperwork involved in the purchase and registration processes necessary to acquire the new trailer. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Following a brief discussion regarding the request from Conestoga Township to join the Southern Lancaster County Intermunicipal Council, Mr. Gerhart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to approve the request from Conestoga Township to join the Southern Lancaster County Intermunicipal Council. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mr. Shaffer shared information he received from a meeting that was held on Friday, April 28 at the Kinzer Fire Company. This was a meeting that was arranged by the Amish to try and work through the processes involved with rebuilding after disaster strikes. Mr. Shaffer stated that some good information was shared and the talks will continue on this topic in the future.
- Mr. Gerhart had questions regarding placing a survey box at the polling locations for the township to gather information from our residents.

SEWAGE OFFICER

- Marvin Stoner issued 2 sewage permits and completed 1 perc and probe test with a total of \$400.00 remitted to the township for the month of April.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Secretary:

- Receipts totaling \$80,017.12 were recorded in April.

Road Master:

The month of April was true to form, April showers bring May flowers. The road crew was able to get a fair amount of work done in between the rain drops. We continued working on Frogtown Road. The trees are cut, trimmed and stumps removed. Frogtown Road is ready for the banks to be cut back. Work on the banks will start in May. The road crew continued its effort on its 2017 maintenance schedule. We repaired pot holes, road edges and rut paved the scheduled roads. Roads were marked for the skin patch truck scheduled for May 1st. Trail benches are all put together with dedication signs ordered. Received several complaint calls from residents: Illegal horse manure dumping on Pennsy Road, someone "living" under Truce Road bridge, grass not mowed on Oak Bottom Road, horses riding on the trail between Truce Road and Cinder Road. All complaints are resolved or are in the process to be resolved. April's safety meeting was on "Portable Ladder Safety".

Projects in May:

- Skin patch with AMS truck
- Install trail benches
- First round of road bank mowing
- Complete Fairview 2 parking area
- Remove road bank on Frogtown Road

ZONING REPORT

- **Subdivision escrow releases:** Mr. Gerhart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to authorize the release of subdivision escrow in the total amount of \$870.00 to the following: Samuel E. King: \$200.00, Eric & Stephanie Peinhardt: \$200.00, Tri-Tech Resources Inc.: \$275.00, James Metzler: \$200.00. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Storm water escrow release:** Mr. Gerhart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to authorize the release of storm water escrow in the total amount of \$1,446.50 to the following: Bender Fire Fund: \$1,100.00, John Beiler: \$346.50 The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Providence Building Supply, PT-246FP-17, Final Land Development and Lot Add-On Plan, 796 Lancaster Pike and 748 Truce Road:** Mike Saxinger of Saxinger & Associates, Inc. was present to discuss the final land development plan and Lot Add-On Plan. This plan proposes several large buildings for a new building supply store operation. Following review and discussion, the following motions were made:
 - Mr. Gerhart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to grant a waiver of Section 603.C.4, Curbing along a State Highway. The motion was carried unanimously.
 - Mr. Gerhart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to grant a waiver of Section 403.E.3.b, Traffic Evaluation Study. The motion was carried unanimously.
 - Mr. Gerhart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to grant a waiver of the Stormwater Management Ordinance, Section 3.07.E.2, Basin B Dewatering Method. The motion was carried unanimously.

- Mr. Gerhart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to grant a waiver of the Stormwater Management Ordinance Section, 3.02.A.2.c, Basin Loading Ratios. The motion was carried unanimously.
 - Mr. Gerhart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to grant a waiver of the Stormwater Management Ordinance, Section 3.03.C, Basin B Dewatering Time. The motion was carried unanimously.
 - Mr. Gerhart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to grant a waiver of the Stormwater Management Ordinance, Section 3.04.E, Watershed Flow Transfer. The motion was carried unanimously.
 - Mr. Shaffer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerhart to authorize Chairman David Gerhart to sign the letter from M.L. Saxinger & Associates, Inc. dated April 13, 2017, indicating no DEP planning is necessary and to authorization for Mr. Gerhart to sign the Holding Tank Agreement and the Storm Water Management Operation and Maintenance Agreement. The motion was carried unanimously.
 - Mr. Gerhart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to grant conditional approval of the Providence Building Supply Final Land Development and Lot-Add On Plan, PT-246FP-17, subject to compliance of the review comments contained within the Solanco Engineering Associates review letter dated April 21, 2017 and any subsequent review letters. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Jacob Stoltzfus, 2 Oak Bottom Road:** Mike Saxinger of Saxinger & Associates was present to request an extension of time to record the storm water plan. Following discussion and review, Mr. Gerhart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to grant an extension of time for an additional seventy (70) days to record the Jacob Stoltzfus storm water management plan (July 10, 2017). The motion was carried unanimously.
 - **Jacob L. King, 475 Truce Road property:** Following discussion regarding ongoing violations, the solicitor suggested directing the zoning officer to issue another enforcement notice covering all the current violations.
 - **Providence Autos, 804 Lancaster Pike:** Following discussion Mr. Shaffer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to grant an extension of time to record the storm water plan for an additional 60 days (July 31, 2017). The motion was carried unanimously.
 - **Advance Auto Parts Store, 475 & 479 Fourth Street, PT-243FP-16, Final Subdivision and Lot Add-On Plan:** This plan shows the location of an Advance Auto Parts Store on these two adjacent properties. Currently there are dwellings on each property. These dwellings will be removed. The plan has been reviewed by the township engineer and by the planning commission. Following discussion and review, Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to authorize Chairman David Gerhart to sign the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Highway Occupancy Permit Document Recording Copy. This HOP will be recorded in the Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds Office. The motion was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

- With no further business, Mr. Gerhart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer, to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 p.m. The motion was carried unanimously.

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ATTEST: _____
Vicki L. Eldridge, Secretary

David J. Gerhart, Chairman

C. William Shaffer, Vice Chairman

John E. Schroeder, Member