

PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

John Schroeder • C. William Shaffer • J. Pepper Goslin

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



SUPERVISORS MEETING **March 5, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Providence Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Township Municipal Office on Monday, March 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chairman John Schroeder, Vice Chairman C. William Shaffer, Member J. Pepper Goslin, Solicitor Melvin Newcomer, Zoning Officer Heidi Martinez, Road Foreman Jim Grube and eighteen (18) observers.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Schroeder at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

MINUTES

- Mr. Schroeder explained that each Supervisor received a copy of the written minutes from the February 5, 2018 Board of Supervisors Meeting. Mr. Goslin had one amendment to the minutes regarding public comment by Omar Smoker. Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to approve the written minutes with the amendment. The motion was carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

- Heidi Martinez read the financial report.
- Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to ratify payment of February bills in the amount of \$113,820.74 from the general fund and \$14,720.03 from the state fund. The motion was carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF BUDGET

- Mr. Schroeder had a few budget questions regarding the cost of IT services and the sale of equipment. Mr. Schroeder also cautioned monitoring the IT service expenditures since it is already over fifty percent (50%) of the yearly budget.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Linda Walter had questions regarding the decreased donation to the Quarryville Library.
- Merv Conrad questioned the status of the Roadmaster position.
- Jeff Swope representing New Providence Church of God asked for relief of the zoning permit fee. After discussion of the fee, Mr. Shaffer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to refund the zoning permit fee of \$11,662.00. The motion carried unanimously.
- Tony Nardella asked about the decision of the Zoning Hearing Board for Cornerstone Retreat.
- Cathy Reinhold had concerns regarding water runoff on Scheller Road.
- David Gerhart expressed appreciation for Mr. Schroeder's power point presentation on road crews in other townships and his support of the idea of having four (4) road crew

employees.

- Susan Barry has concerns on vibrations from truck traffic and speeding on Main Street.
- Tracy Nettke expressed concerns regarding no movement on addressing the speed bump on Main Street and the damage to her house.
- Elam Esch expressed disappointment that Commonwealth Code Inspection Service is no longer doing commercial inspections in Providence Township.
- Jesse Esch expressed disappointment as well with regards to Commonwealth Code Inspection Service no longer doing commercial inspections in Providence Township.
- Richard Turner expressed the same disappointment as Elam Esch and Jesse Esch. Mr. Turner also addressed the speed bump on Main Street.
- David Beiler stated his disappointment in regards to Commonwealth Code Inspection Service no longer doing commercial inspections in the township and expressed concerns in the fee differences between Code Administrators Inc. and Commonwealth Code Inspection Service. Mr. Beiler also stated his support for four (4) road crew employees.

ROADMASTER REPORT

For the month of March the road crew will be doing some additional tree trimming and removal along with pothole repairs and skin patching of edges of roads. We will be preparing bids for this year's road work projects. We had 4 ice or snow events to take care of in February.

The month of February was spent trimming trees, servicing equipment and working on trail benches. The road crew attended an LTAP training class here on curves on local roads.

Following a brief discussion regarding paving costs for the Enola Low Grade Trail Bridge, the Board of Supervisors decided to proceed with only what was contracted for paving and revisit the extra paving in next year's budget.

PARKS/RECREATION REPORT

- Mr. Schroeder stated that the next parks/recreation committee meeting will be held on Thursday, March 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
- Mr. Shaffer mentioned the meeting with other townships regarding mile markers on the Enola Low Grade Trail.

SOUTHERN LANCASTER COUNTY INTERMUNICIPAL COUNCIL

- Mr. Schroeder stated the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at the East Drumore Township Office.
- Mr. Shaffer stated he attended the February reorganizational meeting of the Southern Lancaster County Intermunicipal Council and the 2019 Proposed Route 272 changes were discussed with many in opposition.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A brief statement on the Radcliff Road Bridge status was read by Mr. Schroeder.
- Following a brief discussion regarding the proposed ordinance for holding special events on the trail property, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to authorize the solicitor to advertise for a public hearing on May 7, 2018 to consider the adoption of such ordinance. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Following a brief discussion regarding reinstating Commonwealth Code Inspection Service as an option for commercial inspections, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to reinstate Commonwealth Code Inspection Service as an option for commercial inspections. Mr. Goslin and Mr. Schroeder voted in favor of the motion. Mr. Shaffer voted in opposition of the motion. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to advertise for bids on various quantities of stone, road oil and asphalt (pick-up). Bids will be opened on Thursday, March 29, 2018 at 1:00p.m. Bids will be awarded at the April 2, 2018 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.
- Following a brief discussion regarding zoning workshops, Mr. Shaffer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to advertise for the proposed workshops for the fourth Monday starting on April 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. and skipping May for the Memorial Day holiday and continuing until October 2018. The motion carried unanimously.
- Following a brief discussion regarding the request of a tenant at 57 Main Street for a handicap parking space. Mr. Shaffer made a motion seconded by Mr. Schroeder, to authorize the installation of a handicap parking space at 57 Main Street. The motion carried unanimously.
- Following a brief discussion regarding the fees associated with starting projects prior to the issuance of permits and commercial permit fees, the Board of Supervisors decided to discuss zoning permit fees at the zoning workshops.
- Mr. Schroeder announced that Lancaster General Hospital will be having a blood drive at the Providence Township Municipal Office on Wednesday, May 9, 2018 from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

SEWAGE OFFICER

- Marvin Stoner did not issue any sewage permits or complete any perc and probe tests for the month of February.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Secretary:

- Receipts totaling \$468,213.80 were recorded in the month of February.

ZONING REPORT

- **Jacob Stoltzfus, PT-237SWM-16, 2 Oak Bottom Road:** Mr. Stoltzfus was not in attendance to discuss the plan.
- **David and Daniel Beiler, PT-150FP-11:** Following a brief discussion, Mr. Shaffer made a motion seconded by Mr. Goslin for an extension of time for the completion of the conditions of approval and record the David Beiler Land Development Plan for 180 days. This would extend the time until October 1, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.
- **Creekside Preliminary Plan, Extension of time:** The supervisors acknowledged and noted the extension of time for the supervisors to take action on the Creekside Preliminary Plan for an additional 90 days or until the July 2018 Supervisors meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- At approximately 8:50 p.m., Mr. Shaffer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to enter into an executive session to discuss a personnel matter. The motion carried unanimously.
- At approximately 9:13 p.m., Mr. Shaffer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to exit the executive session.

ADJOURNMENT:

- With no further business, Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer, to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

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ATTEST: _____
Vicki L. Eldridge, Secretary

John E. Schroeder, Chairman

C. William Shaffer, Vice Chairman

J. Pepper Goslin, Member