

PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

John E. 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 **June 3, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Providence Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Township Municipal Office on Monday, June 3, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chairman John Schroeder, Vice Chairman C. William Shaffer, Member J. Pepper Goslin, Manager Vicki Eldridge, Roadmaster Jim Fry and seventeen (17) 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.

PUBLIC HEARING

At this time, Mr. Schroeder turned the meeting over to Mr. Newcomer to conduct a public hearing to consider the adoption of an ordinance amending the Providence Township Zoning Ordinance of 2014. Mr. Newcomer explained that these changes were suggested after working through issues associated with the zoning ordinance at the zoning workshops. Mr. Newcomer opened the floor for questions. Mr. Goslin had a question regarding Section 705, regarding the removal of the reference to cutting of any tree. With no further questions, Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to adopt Ordinance 19-03 amending the Providence Township Zoning Ordinance of 2014. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Schroeder explained that each Supervisor received a copy of the written minutes from the May 6, 2019 supervisors meeting. With no additions or corrections to the minutes, Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin 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. Goslin to ratify the payment of May bills in the amount of \$130,664.69 from the general fund and \$44,300.12 from the state fund. The motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF BUDGET

- Mr. Shaffer stated that our income is tracking well. He suggested we review the numbers again in July at the midpoint of our calendar year.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Frank Leed had questions about subdividing an acre lot off of his farm on Sawmill Road.

- Tony Nardella stated he had asked a question about the cost for the solicitor to write a letter to a resident at the March meeting and he was not given an answer before the meeting adjourned. He asked for answer tonight so it could be recorded in the minutes. Mr. Newcomer estimated such costs between \$36 and \$52 for such a letter.
- Mr. Conrad asked about the three trailers parked at the old Frey's Evergreen Property. He asked if they were permitted to be there.
- Eli Glick had questions regarding the Radcliff Road Bridge.
- Sam Blank expressed concerns regarding a motorcycle that is speeding on Pennsy Road every day.
- David Beiler expressed his appreciation to the supervisors for updating the zoning ordinance. He also asked for an update on the Route 272 project.

ROADMASTER REPORT

Jim Fry, Roadmaster reported on the following:

In May, the road crew worked on the following projects:

- Side gutter work
- Started Fairview Road Pipe Project
- Repaired sunken area on Hollow Road
- Seal coated cracked areas with AMS chip truck
- Mowed road banks
- Mulched township office area
- Held a safety meeting on backhoe operation (May 29th)
- Sprayed the low grade trail surface

In June, the road crew will work on the following projects:

- Mowing the low grade trail
- Continuing on the Fairview Road Project (several week project)
- Screening wood chips at the shop area
- Completing several small road repair jobs (as needed)
- Rubbering cracks preparing for seal coating

Following discussion regarding the inspection of township owned bridges that span less than 20 feet; Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to accept the proposal from C.S. Davidson in an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00. The motion was carried unanimously.

PARKS/RECREATION REPORT

- Mrs. Eldridge stated the Parks/Recreation Committee will meet on Thursday, July 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
- Mrs. Eldridge stated the trail surface has been sprayed by the township. She also stated that we are keeping an eye on Ash trees that are dying on the trail.
- Mrs. Eldridge stated that there is a large crack about 275 feet long on the trail in an area that is appearing to sink. The township engineer has observed the area and suggested the road crew dig out a little underneath surface to see what is happening in that area.

SOUTHERN LANCASTER COUNTY INTERMUNICIPAL COUNCIL REPORT

- The next meeting is scheduled for June 18, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the East Drumore Township Office.

OLD BUSINESS

- Mr. Shaffer explained the proposed changes to the Route 272 corridor between Mt. Airy Road and Byerland Church Road. He encouraged the public to let the township know their concerns.

NEW BUSINESS

- Following discussions regarding executing the Lancaster County Conservation District's Memorandum of Understanding, Mr. Shaffer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to authorize the township manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding with the Lancaster County Conservation District (LCCD). The motion carried with two favorable votes. Mr. Goslin opposed the motion.
- Mr. Schroeder announced the township will hold a zoning workshop on Monday, June 24, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. to continue to review possible changes to the zoning ordinance. He encouraged the public to attend these workshops.
- Mr. Shaffer announced that LGHealth/Penn Medicine will be holding a blood drive at the township on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.
- Mr. Schroeder announced the township's agricultural security committee will hold a meeting on Thursday, June 20, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. to review the agricultural security area. This meeting is required for the seven-year ASA review.
- Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to advertise for a public hearing to consider the adoption of a resolution of Providence Township in contemplation of continuation and renewal of an agricultural security area. During this seven-year review period, there were no additional modifications received. The motion was carried unanimously.

SEWAGE OFFICER

- Marvin Stoner issued 3 sewage permits and completed 9 perc and probe tests with a total of \$1,500.00 remitted for the month of May.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Secretary:

- Receipts totaling \$271,315.78 were recorded in the month of May.

ZONING REPORT

- **Judd Shiffler, Well Isolation Request, 36 Echo Valley Road:** A request to locate a new drainfield within 100' from the existing well at 36 Echo Valley Drive. Following discussion, Mr. Shaffer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to allow the new drainfield to be within 100' of the well on 36 Echo Valley Drive, with the following conditions; the new drainfield shall be no closer than 70' from the existing well on site and 100' or more from any other property owner's well; the property owner(s) must enter into a satisfactory, recorded indemnification agreement with the Township, holding the Township harmless of any claim or liability from the granting of this waiver; the agreement shall be recorded prior to the issuance of a sewage permit by the Sewage Enforcement Officer; and the property owner is responsible for any legal fees incurred in the preparation of the agreement and the recording of the agreement. The motion was carried unanimously.

- **Dannie Fisher, Escrow Reduction, 27 and 29 Hopkins Mill Road:** The original escrow amount is \$24,472.00. Mark Deimler, Solanco Engineering Associates, LLC performed a site inspection on May 21, 2019. The recommendation per the review letter dated May 22, 2019 is to reduce the escrow by \$21,747.00 and establish the new amount equal to \$2,725.00 which includes the 10% contingency factor. Following discussion, Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to reduce the escrow by \$21,747.00 and establish the new amount equal to \$2,725.00 for Dannie Fisher. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Samuel and Rachel King, Lot Add-On Plan, PT-272LAO-19, 90 Miller Road:** The lan proposes to consolidate existing lots and to reconfigure property between family members. There are no improvements proposed as a result of this plan. Brian Masterson of Regester Associates explained the plan to the supervisors. Following discussion, Mr. Shaffer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to grant a waiver of Section 402.A.1, Plan Scale Requirements. The motion was carried unanimously. Following discussion Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to conditionally approve the lot add-on plan for Samuel and Rachel King, PT-272LAO-19, subject to the review comments contained within the May 2, 2019 Solanco Engineering Associates review letter and any subsequent review letters. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Creekside Subdivision Final Plan Phase 1, PT-271FP-19, Fairview Road:** The plan is for phase 1 of the Creekside Preliminary Plan. Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to table the plan until such time the plan is revised to reflect actual site improvements (Fairview Road) and to also understand the applicant’s intention of constructing additional improvements related to the approved improvement construction plan. The motion was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

- With no further business, Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m. The motion was carried unanimously.

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ATTEST: _____
Vicki L. Eldridge, Secretary

John E. Schroeder, Chairman

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