

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 **July 1, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Providence Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Township Municipal Office on Monday, July 1, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chairman John Schroeder, Vice Chairman C. William Shaffer, Member J. Pepper Goslin, Solicitor Melvin Newcomer, Manager Vicki Eldridge, Roadmaster Jim Fry and eight (8) 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.

Mr. Schroeder explained that each Supervisor received a copy of the written minutes from the June 3, 2019 supervisors meeting. With no additions or corrections to the minutes, Mr. Shaffer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to approve the minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Schroeder explained that each Supervisor received a copy of the written minutes from the June 24, 2019 zoning workshop. With no additions or corrections to the minutes, Mr. Shaffer 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. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to ratify the payment of June bills in the amount of \$143,871.82 from the general fund and \$44,264.04 from the state fund. The motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF BUDGET

- Mr. Shaffer stated that our income is tracking well. He mentioned that the real estate transfer tax and earned income tax is tracking higher than anticipated.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Merv Conrad had questions about the Route 272 construction project.
- Victor Ressler had questions regarding the Rawlinsville Fire Company signs at the corner of Truce Road and Route 272.

ROADMASTER REPORT

Jim Fry, Roadmaster reported on the following:

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

- Pipe replacement Hollow Road and Woods Drive;

- Mowed trail and road banks;
- Weed-eated areas throughout the township;
- Worked on Fairview Road pipe placement;
- Repaired humped area on Scheller Road ;
- Safety meeting held in York on PA –One Calls (June 27th)

In July the road crew will be working on the following projects:

- Finishing the first section of pipe work on Fairview Road :
- Removing the pipe bridge on Hollow Road and replacing with a box culvert (several week project);
- Mowing road banks;:
- Stream bank restoration Sawmill Road;
- As time allows, preparing for seal coating

The Hollow Road Bridge project will begin on Monday, July 8, 2018. We anticipate the road being closed for about 30 days.

PARKS/RECREATION REPORT

- Mrs. Eldridge stated the Parks/Recreation Committee will meet on Thursday, July 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
- Mrs. Eldridge reviewed a proposal from Quarryville Borough for access to Hess Street. The supervisors did not have any issues with this access.
- Mrs. Eldridge stated that the parks committee has built a kiosk for the Sigman Road Trailhead. It will be installed sometime in July.

SOUTHERN LANCASTER COUNTY INTERMUNICIPAL COUNCIL REPORT

- Mr. Shaffer stated that members of the Lancaster County Planning Commission were the speakers for the evening. The Planning Commission would like to work with municipalities to develop “place-based” comprehensive plans. These plans would be completed at no cost to the township. The county would like to see municipalities join together in areas and develop a joint comprehensive plan. Mr. Goslin is not sure if he would be in favor of this idea. Mr. Schroeder thinks we would lose some autonomy of the township. Mr. Shaffer stated that Eden and Bart committed to working together with us if we are interested.
- The next meeting has not been scheduled at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

- Mr. Shaffer gave updates on the Route 272 construction project. The supervisors have a great concern for the safety of the Amish Community. Mr. Shaffer stated that both he and Mr. Schroeder asked PennDOT for a compromise to the proposed plan. Perhaps starting with some road markings and lighting. PennDOT plans to meet with us again in July.

NEW BUSINESS

- Following discussions regarding sending a letter of support for the Lancaster Redevelopment Fund’s application to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development for the Neighborhood Assistance Program to create a Manufactured Housing Repair Program (MHRP), Mr. Shaffer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to send a letter of support to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development in support of its grant application. The motion was carried unanimously.

- Following discussions regarding the July 22, 2019 zoning workshop, due to a scheduling conflict with Mr. Goslin, this workshop will be cancelled. The township manager was directed to schedule an additional workshop in August if possible.
- Mr. Schroeder announced that LGHealth/Penn Medicine will be holding a blood drive at the township on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 from 2:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- Following a brief discussion regarding the annual appreciation dinner, the supervisors unanimously agreed to host a dinner in October.
- Mr. Schroeder announced the township will be hosting a National Night Out Crime and Drug Prevention Event on Tuesday, August 6, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. through 9:00 p.m. Please join us for free food, free raffles, fun family/kids activities, displays and demonstrations which will show appreciation to our local emergency responders. The event will take place here at the township facility.
- Following a discussion regarding the Winter Services Agreement with PennDOT, Mr. Shaffer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to adopt Resolution No. 19-06, authorizing the Chairman to sign the Winter Traffic Services Agreement on behalf of Providence Township. Mr. Goslin had concerns and/or questions with the PennDOT Sexual Harassment Policy. The motion carried with two favorable votes, Mr. Goslin opposed the motion.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Secretary:

- Receipts totaling \$83,389.95 were recorded in the month of June.

ZONING REPORT

- **Subdivision escrow release: Samuel King: \$200.00.** Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer to authorize the release of subdivision escrow in the total amount of \$200.00. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Stormwater escrow release: J.L. Swope Construction Inc. (8 Country Lane): \$6,712.20.** Mr. Shaffer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to authorize the release of stormwater escrow in the total amount of \$6,712.20. 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. Shaffer asked Mr. Nadu the following questions: 1) would Mr. Nadu be willing to perform an additional traffic study at Route 222 and Fairview Road; 2) would Mr. Nadu be willing to contact PennDOT to ask for the bridge to be replaced on Fairview Road, between South Fork Place and Route 222; 3) is Mr. Nadu aware of a possible family cemetery on this property; 4) would Mr. Nadu consider adding some small businesses in this development, i.e. barber shop, bank, etc.; 5) would Mr. Nadu consider giving an access easement to the Enola Low Grade Trail; 6) will Quarryville Borough own the sewer lines; 7) what is the water source for the development and who will operate this system; and 8) when will the sewer/water lines be installed. Following this discussion, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to conditionally approve the final plan phase 1 for Creekside Subdivision subject to the review comments contained within the Solanco Engineering Associates review letter dated May 6, 2019 and any subsequent review letters and that the applicant withdraw the approval granted by the Board of Supervisors with respect to the improvement construction plan. The motion was carried unanimously.

- Mrs. Eldridge stated that she received a list of conditions from J. Pepper Goslin's attorney relating to the Goslin's Zoning Hearing scheduled for July 9, 2019. Mr. Newcomer stated that is not unusual for a board of supervisors to receive a listing of proposed conditions for a zoning hearing. Mr. Newcomer stated that the conditions should be reviewed after testimony is heard for the hearing. It would be hard to comment on these conditions before the supervisors hear testimony from the Goslin's according to Mr. Newcomer. The supervisors agreed to review these conditions at the August 5th board of supervisors meeting.
- Mr. Schroeder asked how the outstanding enforcement issues are being handled.

ADJOURNMENT

- With no further business, Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaffer, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. The motion was carried unanimously.

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ATTEST: _____
Vicki L. Eldridge, Secretary

John E. Schroeder, Chairman

C. William Shaffer, Vice Chairman

J. Pepper Goslin, Member