

# PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

John E. Schroeder • J. Pepper Goslin • Lori L. Crossen

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



## **SUPERVISORS MEETING** **February 3, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Providence Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Township Municipal Office on Monday, February 3, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chairman John Schroeder, Vice Chairman J. Pepper Goslin, Member Lori Crossen, Manager Vicki Eldridge, and twelve (12) 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 January 6, 2020 board of 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. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to ratify the payment of January bills in the amount of \$140,246.25 from the general fund and \$3,497.37 from the state fund. The motion carried unanimously.

### **REVIEW OF BUDGET**

- There were no comments on the budget at this time.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Richard Long expressed his appreciation for the road crew painting the white lines on Cinder Road in front of his home. He expressed concern over cars and trucks speeding on Cinder Road. He asked for the speed limit to be lowered and brake retarders prohibited.
- Sally Graybill also expressed concern over the speeding on Cinder Road.
- Audrey Taylor asked the supervisors to lower the speed on Cinder Road. Mr. Newcomer stated that in order to reduce the speed of traffic on a road, a traffic study must be completed. Mr. Schroeder stated that we would review this item with the roadmaster and township engineer.
- Jacob King questioned the supervisors about a judgment on his property. Mr. Newcomer stated that the levy was released on Mr. King's bank account; however there are still outstanding amounts owed on the judgments therefore the judgments were not released. Mr. King asked for a letter from the township showing where the monies from the levy were applied.
- Caroline Herr asked to have white lines painted on Cinder Road. She feels it makes it easier to see the road at night.

## **ROADMASTER REPORT**

Vicki Eldridge, Township Manager reported on the following:

In January the road crew worked on the following projects:

- Cut side gutters and cleaned out pipes as needed;
- Trimmed trees;
- Salted and plowed for winter storms;
- Stream bank stabilization; and
- Conducted a safety meeting on 1/22: Topic was on Chain Saw Safety, this was a follow up from December with a quiz and more discussion.

In February the road crew will work on the following projects:

- Tree trimming;
- Stream bank stabilization as needed;
- Weather permitting start storm water pipe work, and
- We will be hosting a Roundtable Meeting on February 13<sup>th</sup>, this is a time when other townships get together to discuss different ways of doing projects.

## **PARKS/RECREATION REPORT**

- Mrs. Eldridge stated the next Parks/Recreation Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, March 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
- Mrs. Eldridge stated that two events have been planned for the trail so far this year: 1) New Hope Community Life Ministry is planning to hold a bike race called "Pedal for Hope" on April 18, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. until noon. This race will include a 2 mile family fun ride and a 10 mile ride; and 2) Solid Rock Youth Ministries is planning a 5K and Fun Run on August 8, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. until noon.
- Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to request the Quarryville Fire Police provide their services at both of these events. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Following a brief discussion regarding waiving the event fees for trail events, the supervisors decided that these fees would no longer be waived.
- Mrs. Crossen volunteered to serve as a township representative to the Enola Low Grade Trail Municipal Committee.

## **SOUTHERN LANCASTER COUNTY INTERMUNICIPAL COUNCIL REPORT**

- Mr. Goslin stated the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 17 at the East Drumore Township Office. Discussion regarding more testing facilities in the southern end will continue with Lancaster General Health/Penn Medicine at this meeting.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Following a brief discussion regarding the permitting for repairs to the Radcliff Road Bridge, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to authorize the township engineer to complete the application process with the Army Corps of Engineers subject to a limit of \$2,000 for these services. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mr. Schroeder stated the road damage policy has been updated and is satisfactory.
- Mrs. Eldridge gave an update of the Route 272 Construction Project. The project will begin in March and will end in the fall with final paving.
- Following discussion regarding the appointed treasurer position, Mrs. Crossen withdrew her name from this appointment. She does not wish to be the treasurer at this time. Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to appoint Mrs. Eldridge as the township treasurer. The motion carried with two favorable votes, Mr. Schroeder opposed the motion.

- Mr. Goslin asked if the supervisors would waive the \$150 fee associated with the continuance of his zoning hearing board hearing. Mr. and Mrs. Goslin withdrew their request for a hearing prior to the hearing. Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to waive the \$150 fee for the Goslin Zoning Hearing Board Continuance Fee. The motion carried with two favorable votes. Mr. Goslin recused himself from this discussion and vote.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Mr. Schroeder announced that the township offices will be closed on Monday, February 17 in honor of President's Day.
- Mr. Schroeder announced the zoning workshop will be held on Monday, February 24 at 7:00 p.m.
- Mr. Schroeder announced that LG Health/Penn Medicine will hold a blood drive at the township office on Tuesday, March 17 from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.
- Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to approve the services of the Refton Fire Police to aid the PA Fish and Game Commission's trout stocking operation for the Big Beaver Creek on Monday, March 2, 2020 at 11:15 a.m. and Wednesday, April 8, 2020 at 11:15 a.m. They will meet at the New Providence Baptist Church. The motion was carried unanimously.

### **SEWAGE OFFICER**

- Marvin Stoner submitted his 2019 year-end report to the township.
- Marvin Stoner issued 3 sewage permits and completed 6 perc and probe tests with a total of \$1,000 remitted for the month of January.

### **MONTHLY REPORTS**

#### **Secretary:**

- Receipts totaling \$81,386.20 were recorded in the month of January.
- Maher Duessel had completed the 2019 audit with no major findings to date.
- All mandatory forms and reports, including liquid fuels usage report, survey of financial condition and report of elected and appointed officials have been completed and filed with the state.

### **ZONING REPORT**

- **Robert Weaver, Stormwater Management Plan, PT-276SWM-19, 70 Truce Road:** The plan is a revised stormwater management plan for the dwelling constructed to address the additional impervious coverage that was added. The plan has been reviewed four times by Mark Deimler and there are two waiver requests for the Board to consider of the SWMO. Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to grant a conditional waiver of Section 3.02.A.2.c, Maximum Loading Ratios for Karst Geology is 3:1 impervious area and 5:1 total drainage area, with the following condition: The carbonate geology report shall provide an analysis of this loading ratio and the geologist shall certify that this loading ratio will not affect the function of the facility. The submitted report has provided the requested information. The motion was carried unanimously. Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to grant a waiver of Section 3.09.A.4, Pipes shall be a minimum diameter of 8" for non-vehicular loading outside of a public right of way. The pipe from the yard inlet to the catch basin has been installed at 6 inches. The motion was carried unanimously.

- **Aaron Smucker, Waiver of Land Development, PT-278FP-19, 198 Clearfield Road:** The plan proposes to add a low impact use (parochial school). Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to grant a waiver of Article III, Plan Processing, for Aaron Smucker, PT-278FP-19, subject to the Solanco Engineering Associates review letter dated January 2, 2020 and any subsequent review letters. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **New Providence Church of God, Lot Add-On Plan, PT-275LAO-19, 269 Cinder Road:** The plan proposes to add 1.86 acres to the New Providence Church of God lot from the adjoining tract owned by Dennis Findley. Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to grant waiver of Section 402.C.3, Existing Features within 200 ft., subject to the condition that all features within 50 ft. of the subject tract be shown on the plan. The motion was carried unanimously. Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to conditionally approve the lot add-on plan for New Providence Church of God, PT-275LAO-19, subject to the review comments contained within the November 27, 2019 Solanco Engineering Associates review letter and any subsequent review letters. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Jonas Esch, Planning Module, Schoolhouse Road:** The module for Jonas Esch, Schoolhouse Road has been reviewed by the township engineer and may be adopted: Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to authorize the completion of the planning module, adopt the module with Resolution 20-02 and forward the module on to DEP for final approval. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Jacob Stoltzfus, Outstanding Invoice, 2 Oak Bottom Road:** An invoice was issued for a storm water management small project review for the property located at 2 Oak Bottom Road on September 3, 2019 by the township engineer. A second notice was sent on October 10, 2019. A final notice was sent on November 18, 2019 and a notification letter was sent on December 16, 2019. Payment is still outstanding. Following discussion, the township manager was directed to write a letter to Mr. Stoltzfus to extend an offer to him to come to the next supervisors meeting to explain his situation and the reason he isn't paying this bill.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- At approximately 8:32 p.m., Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to enter into an executive session to discuss possible litigation. The motion was carried unanimously.
- At approximately 9:24 p.m., Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to come out of the executive session. The motion was carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

- With no further business, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder, to adjourn the meeting at 9:24 p.m. The motion was carried unanimously.

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ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vicki L. Eldridge, Secretary

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John E. Schroeder, Chairman

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J. Pepper Goslin, Vice Chairman

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Lori L. Crossen, Member