

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 **March 2, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Providence Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Township Municipal Office on Monday, March 2, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chairman John Schroeder, Vice Chairman J. Pepper Goslin, Member Lori Crossen, Manager Vicki Eldridge, and sixteen (16) 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 February 3, 2020 board of supervisors meeting. With no additions or corrections to the minutes, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to approve the minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Schroeder explained that each Supervisor received a copy of the written minutes from the February 24, 2020 zoning workshop. With no additions or corrections to the minutes, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen 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. Goslin to ratify the payment of February bills in the amount of \$69,988.68 from the general fund and \$11,562.26 from the state fund. The motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF BUDGET

- Mr. Schroeder had a question about an expense for park maintenance. Mrs. Eldridge stated the expense was related to the park website hosting.
- Mr. Goslin asked if all the real estate taxes had been collected for the year. Mrs. Eldridge stated that taxes are not due until April 30.
- There were no additional comments on the budget at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Charles Kuhns had questions related to work he completed along the front of his property in the road right-of-way. He was directed to see the zoning officer to work out a solution.
- Audrey Taylor asked if a traffic study would be completed on Cinder Road. She was informed that this item would be discussed later in the meeting.
- Tony Nardella asked if we know that dumping is occurring on the trail near the Sawmill Road Bridge. The roadmaster will investigate this claim.

ROADMASTER REPORT

Jim Fry, Roadmaster, reported the following:

In February the road crew worked on the following projects:

- Trimmed trees;
- Repaired a sink hole and some wash out areas;
- Shop work (making grates for inlets, servicing equipment);
- Storm clean-up following wind and rain storm on 2/7;
- We hosted an LCATS roundtable meeting with other townships 2/13; and
- Conducted a safety meeting on 2/20, topic "Chainsaw Safety: Trimming Around Power Lines".

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

- Skin patching (repairing cracks);
- Replacing cross pipes on Hollow Road;
- Other projects as needed to prepare for surface treatment of Hollow Road; and
- Tree trimming as needed.

Mr. Schroeder asked for an update on the use of salt brine for winter maintenance. The roadmaster stated he is gathering information and will present it at a later time. There is no plan to use brine this winter.

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.
- Velos Amis a non-profit biking group from Delaware is interested in installing a bike fix it station at the Fairview 1 Trailhead. Following discussion, the supervisors asked the manager to ask for a letter stating that this group would pay for all installation costs and maintenance. Once this letter is provided, the supervisors agreed to the installation of the bike fix it station.
- Following a brief discussion on the illegal use of horseback riding on the trail, the supervisors would like to further discuss the possibility of allowing horses on the trail at the next supervisors meeting.
- Following a discussion regarding the township property lines along the trail between Truce Road and Sawmill Road, it was agreed to have the property line adjoining Menno Esch pinned again. Mr. Esch admitted that he removed some of the stakes and others may have been knocked down accidentally. Mr. Esch asked if he could still farm this land or pay rent to farm the land.

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

- Mr. Deimler has completed and submitted the application for the repairs to the Radcliff Road Bridge to the Army Corps of Engineers for permitting.
- The next zoning workshop was scheduled for March 23. Due to scheduling conflicts, the date has been changed to March 30, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. At this workshop we will review the proposed changes to the zoning ordinance, the subdivision and land development ordinance and the driveway ordinance.

- Following a discussion regarding a traffic study on Cinder Road, the supervisors directed the road master to inquire neighboring townships to see if we could borrow a speed monitoring device to post on Cinder Road. These devices can be effective at lowering speed. Mrs. Crossen asked is we could add more speed limit signs on this road. Mr. Goslin stated that with no local police force, it is difficult to enforce speed limits. Audrey Taylor said she is in favor of trying anything that will slow traffic.
- Following discussion regarding a "Hidden Driveway" sign for a resident at 297 Cinder Road, the supervisors are fine with the installation of the sign if the resident pays the cost of the sign and post.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. Joseph Nadu, developer of the new Creekside Development on Fairview Road asked the supervisors if they would have interest in purchasing the water system in the development. He will be selling the system to another source, as he will not maintain the system once it is built. The supervisors asked Mr. Nadu to supply more information at the April Meeting.
- Following a discussion regarding the purchase of a wood chip screener from Mellinger Manufacturing, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to purchase the wood chip screen from Mellinger Manufacturing for a total cost of \$5,000. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to advertise for bids on various quantities of stone, road oil, and asphalt (pick-up). Bids will be opened on Thursday, April 2, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Bids will be awarded at the April 6, 2020 meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to advertise for the Hollow Road Paving Project (deliver, place and roll 1" of 9.5 mm leveling course of asphalt). The area to be paved is approximately 1,250 feet near the Southern Lancaster County Farmers Sportsman's Facility. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Following a brief discussion regarding adding an agency hearing fee to our fee resolution, Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to add an agency hearing fee of \$500 plus costs of one-half (1/2) of the court reporter fee to the fee resolution. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to send a letter of support to the Rawlinsville Volunteer Fire Company to support their grant application to the Department of Homeland Security to cover the costs of updating their paging units. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Following a discussion regarding the James Barr request to have his farm lands added to the agricultural security area, the supervisors decided to use the 180 day waiting period approach. They do not wish to fast track this process.
- Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to advertise the proposed adoption of an ordinance to amend its non-uniform pension plan administered by PMRS. This simple language change is required by the IRS. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mr. Schroeder announced that township will hold woody yard waste collection days for township residents on Saturday, April 18 and Saturday, May 9 from 8:00 a.m. until noon. Only woody yard waste is accepted. No hardscaping materials, grasses or leaves will be accepted.
- Following discussion regarding replacing the emergency lighting at the township, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to accept the proposal from Jason R. Brown Electric, LLC for time and materials up to the total of \$5,934.00. The motion was carried unanimously.

SEWAGE OFFICER

- Marvin Stoner issued 2 sewage permits with a total of \$200.00 remitted for the month of February.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Secretary:

- Receipts totaling \$152,898.41 were recorded in the month of February.
- The Auditor General has completed the 2018 liquid fuels audit with no findings to date.

ZONING REPORT

- **Broderick Landscape Contracting, LLC, Waiver of Land Development, PT-280FP-19, 123 Lancaster Pike North:** The plan proposes to construct buildings to be utilized for a proposed landscaping business. Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to grant a waiver of Article III, Plan Processing, for Broderick Landscape Contracting, LLC, PT-280FP-19, subject to the Solanco Engineering Associates review letter dated February 5, 2020 and any subsequent review letters. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Ross Lawn Service, Final Land Development and Lot Add-On Plan, PT-274FP-19, 2328 Beaver Valley Pike, Extension of time:** Email submitted for extension of time for the Supervisors to take action on the Ross Lawn Service, Final Land Development and Lot Add-On Plan for an additional 90 days. The supervisors acknowledged the extension of time for the approval of this plan.
- **Buck Investors LP, Letter of Credit Release, 950 Lancaster Pike:** The last reduction of the letter of credit was authorized on September 10, 2018. The current letter of credit amount is \$25,000. Buck Investors LP submitted a Subdivision Bond in replacement of the letter of credit. Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to release the Letter of Credit No. 15-055 from Peoples Bank in the amount of \$25,000 upon review and approval of the Subdivision Bond from the Township Solicitor. The LOC is in the name of Buck Investors, LP, for Moove In Storage, Final Subdivision and Land Development Plan, PT-84FP-07, 950 Lancaster Pike, Quarryville, PA 17566. The motion was carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- At approximately 9:02 p.m., Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to enter into an executive session to discuss possible litigation. The motion was carried unanimously.
- At approximately 9:25 p.m., Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to come out of the executive session. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to accept dedication of Northview Lane in the Quarry Ridge Development upon the township's receipt of a 36 month bond in an amount to be set by the township engineer, for road improvements, as warranted. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mrs. Crossen asked if we planned to discuss the F150 pick-up truck. Mr. Schroeder asked this to be added to the April meeting agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

- With no further business, Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 p.m. The motion was carried unanimously.

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ATTEST: _____
Vicki L. Eldridge, Secretary

John E. Schroeder, Chairman

J. Pepper Goslin, Vice Chairman

Lori L. Crossen, Member