

# 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** **November 2, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Providence Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Township Municipal Office on Monday, November 2, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chairman John Schroeder, Vice Chairman J. Pepper Goslin, Member Lori Crossen, Solicitor Melvin Newcomer, Manager Vicki Eldridge and nine (9) 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 October 5, 2020 board of supervisors meeting as presented. Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to approve the minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Schroeder explained that each Supervisor received a copy of the written minutes from the October 7, 2020 budget workshop as presented. Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to approve the minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

- Vicki Eldridge read the financial report.
- Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to ratify the payment of October bills in the amount of \$108,659.31 from the general fund and \$128,089.58 from the state fund. The motion was carried unanimously.

### **REVIEW OF BUDGET**

- Mr. Goslin mentioned that the real estate taxes are within \$5,000 of the budgeted amount. He asked if we would receive more income from real estate taxes this year.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Richard Kneisley expressed his appreciation to the roadmaster and road crew for the great job they did on Scheller Road. He was appreciative of all the communication.

### **ROADMASTER REPORT**

Vicki Eldridge, Township Manager, reported the following:

In October the road crew worked on the following projects:

- Finished mowing road banks;
- Finished Snyder Hollow Road Pipe Project (grant money);
- Rubbered Mt Airy Road and started Truce Road;
- Started mowing the rail trail;

- Paved ruts on Snyder Hollow Road;
- Started to prepare trucks and equipment for winter; and
- Held a safety meeting on 10/28, topic was "Snow Plow Safety".

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

- Finish mowing rail trail;
- Continue preparing equipment for the winter;
- Service equipment;
- Place drain on Snyder Hollow Road;
- Start tree trimming; and
- Cut side gutters, Byerland Church Road and Sawmill Road.

Mrs. Eldridge stated that the Barr Family on Barr Road dropped a letter off asking to have a "Deaf Person" sign installed on Barr Road for one of their tenants. The supervisors are fine with such a sign; however, the party requesting the sign would be required to pay for the signs. The township road crew would install the sign.

Mr. Schroeder asked for information about the back hoe repairs. Mrs. Eldridge stated the information had been emailed to the supervisors. The supervisors will review this information at the budget workshop on November 4.

#### **PARKS/RECREATION REPORT**

- Mrs. Eldridge stated the parks/recreation committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.
- Following discussion regarding marking the property lines between Truce Road and Sawmill Road along the ELGT, Mr. Goslin said he still plans to visit Mr. Esch to discuss the costs and his willingness to contribute to the cost.
- Following discussion regarding trail bridge inspections, the supervisors directed the manager to obtain another cost proposal.

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

- The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 17, 2020 at the East Drumore Township Office at 7:00 p.m.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- There was no old business to transact.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Mr. Schroeder announced that tomorrow is Election Day. Please remember to vote. Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.
- Mr. Schroeder announced the December board of supervisors meeting will be held on Monday, December 14, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.
- Mr. Schroeder announced the budget workshops will be held on the following Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.: November 4, November 18 and November 25 as needed. At this time it appears the November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting will be the last meeting.
- Mr. Schroeder announced the township will be closed on Wednesday, November 11 in honor of Veterans Day and Thursday, November 26 for Thanksgiving.
- Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to advertise the 2021 proposed budget. The budget will be available for public inspection beginning Friday, November 13, 2020 until its adoption at the December 14, 2020 board of supervisors meeting.

- Following discussions regarding reappointments to the township planning commission, the township manager was asked to contact Andrew Odell to see if he is interested in serving another term on the planning commission.
- Following discussions regarding reappointments to the township zoning hearing board, the township manager was asked to contact Brad Duvall to see if he is interested in serving another term on the zoning hearing board.

### **SEWAGE OFFICER**

- Marvin Stoner issued 4 sewage permits and completed one perc and probe test with a total of \$800.00 remitted to the township for the month of October.

### **MONTHLY REPORTS**

#### **Secretary:**

- Receipts totaling \$70,230.84 were recorded in the month of October.
- All haulers, mobile home park and junk yard licenses have been mailed.
- Fireman's Relief and Municipal Pension Aid has been received from the auditor general's office and distributed accordingly.

### **ZONING REPORT**

- **Subdivision Escrow Release: Daniel Glick- \$200.00, Trimble Surveyors (Platt)- \$200.00, Elam Esch- \$300.00.** Following discussion, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to release subdivision escrow in the total amount of \$700.00. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **David Beiler, Waiver of Plan Processing, PT-296FP-20, 278-280 Pennsy Road:** The plan proposes to use an existing structure as a kennel and an artificial turf business. Following discussion, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to approve the waiver of Article III, Plan Processing for David Beiler subject to the Solanco Engineering Associates review letter dated October 9, 2020 and any subsequent review letters. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **DFB Property Management LLC Storm Water Management Plan, Extension of time:** Letter submitted for extension of time for the Supervisors or Designee to take action on the DFB Property Management LLC Storm Water Management Plan for an additional ninety (90) days until February 1, 2021. The board of supervisors acknowledged the extension and noted it for the record.
- **Enforcement Notice, Carl E Killian Irrevocable Trust, Betty J Byers and Jesse McMichael, 540 Hollow Road:** Timber harvesting occurred on the property without a zoning permit. *Compliance Date: August 7, 2020.* Mel sent a letter on October 5, 2020. *No response to the letter. Discussion/further direction on where to go from here.* Following discussion, the board directed the zoning officer to make contact with Mr. Killian to verify what is needed to correct this violation.
- **Buck Investors LP, Outstanding Invoices, 950 Lancaster Pike:** Invoices were issued on March 30, 2020 and May 28, 2020 for the cost of the township engineer's time. A letter regarding the outstanding invoices was mailed on September 1, 2020. The invoices remain outstanding. The board directed the zoning officer to send these past due invoices to the property owner via certified mail to verify receipt.

Warren Walter asked if we have any idea how the new Route 272 plan is to work. He said it is very confusing and difficult to know where you are legally allowed to make a left hand turn.

Merv Conrad thanked the supervisors for recognizing Veterans Day.

**ADJOURNMENT**

- With no further business, Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 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