

Minutes
December 11, 2018

Chairman Kreitzer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and the Lord's Prayer.

Supervisors present were Richard Kreitzer and Dean Patches. Reginald Daubert was absent. Also, in attendance were Attorney, Colleen Gallo; Engineers, Jeff Golding and Joseph Strauch; and thirteen (13) residents.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ward Sigler – 549 N. Lancaster Street – Mr. Sigler commented that since this is Mr. Golding's last official meeting. He wanted to let Mr. Golding know that since his home project was the first under the Township's SALDO and the process had been trying. The stormwater design had been onerous. After all the rain this year, he wanted Mr. Golding know that his stormwater facilities were finally used and they worked well.

Darrin Dietrich – 107 Lighthouse – Was on hand to discuss the continued parking problems in Lighthouse. Cars continue to park next to the fire hydrant. He inquired if the yellow lines could be painted and signs installed to limit parking.

Lori Daubert – 15 Birch Street – requested to reserve her comments until the end of the meeting.

Code/Zoning Report

Light-Heigel reported on three open investigations.

MINUTES

Supervisor Patches moved to approve the meeting minutes from November 8, 2018.
Seconded by Supervisor Kreitzer. All voted in favor; motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Supervisor Kreitzer announced that FEMA will not be providing funding to Lebanon County. The County had met the threshold requirements but the State had not.

Supervisor Kreitzer moved to accept the November financial report. Seconded by Supervisor Patches. All voted in favor; motion carried.

BILLS PAYABLE

Supervisor Patches moved to pay the bills totaling \$139,486.90 from the Liquid Fuels, M/R Sewer, and General Funds. Seconded by Supervisor Kreitzer. All voted in favor; motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION – Dean Patches

The Planning Commission met last Thursday and recommended approval of the Jernigan Sewer Module. There was discussion to not defer the Snyder – Weaver Lane subdivision to Bethel because of the location of the project and the past issues with the township line.

Attorney Gallo provided information on the court case regarding the regulation of AirBnB's. AirBnB's must be allowed in residential districts as a permissible use. ADA requirements do not apply.

Information was also provided on driveway occupancy permits. If the state issues driveway permit, the township requirements may still be enforced.

RECREATION BOARD

Discussion was held regarding the planned work in the Swatara Park in 2019. A new estimate has been provided for the construction of the soccer fields and parking. Based on the new estimate and the fact that FEMA will not be reimbursing for the flood damage, the project will be put on hold. Union Township will be notified.

TOWNSHIP REPORT

The road crew has been repairing trucks, trimming trees, snow removal, storm damage is being addressed and work has begun on Hain Avenue installing pull over areas. The swale on Troy Avenue will be worked on. Prices will be obtained for the consideration of a replacement dump truck.

STORMWATER REPORT – Jeff Golding

Provided an overview of the impaired streams in Pennsylvania and reminded everyone that they could do their part to clean up the water.

COMMUNICATIONS

Northern Lebanon County Authority – Meeting Minutes

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection – GLRA meeting on January 15th

Met-Ed notification that a supplier needs to be found by June 1, 2019

Churches of Jonestown – Letter of appreciation for donation

OLD BUSINESS

4 Elderberry Lane

A judgement is in place and the township can proceed with finding a contractor to connect 4 Elderberry to the Mountville Sewer Extension.

Supervisor Kreitzer moved to obtain three phone quotes and secure a contractor to make the connection at 4 Elderberry Lane. Seconded by Supervisor Patches. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Recreation Board Vacancy - Tabled

Stoner Road Bridge – Payment Request 3

Supervisor Patches moved to approve payment request 3 to CMS in the amount of \$41,847.50 for the repairs to the Stoner Road Bridge. Seconded by Supervisor Kreitzer. All voted in favor; motion carried.

N. Lancaster Street Bridge – Payment Request 1

Supervisor Patches moved to approve payment request 1 to CMS in the amount of \$33,135.75 for the work performed on the N. Lancaster Street Bridge. Seconded by Supervisor Kreitzer. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Ward Sigler inquired what the full amount of the repair was: \$76,785.00. The project specifications had been changed due to DEP requirements which would have made the project cost prohibitive.

2019 Tax Collection

Chairman Kreitzer explained that he had been making inquiries and there were only two municipalities in the County using elected tax collectors, Mt. Gretna and Bethel. All other municipalities use the County Treasurer. He felt that it would cost the Township more to have an elected collector and it would also cost the tax collector money since time is money. Lori Daubert asked if this would be a yearly decision. Mr. Patches explained that since the position had been claimed last year, it could no longer be claimed until after the next election. Mrs. Daubert explained that she had not received the information necessary to claim the position. The Board explained that that information should have been provided by the Voter Registration Office.

Grace Avenue

Requests have been received by Rep. Diamond's office for School Bus Stop Ahead signs to be installed on Grace Avenue. A traffic study would need to be requested of PennDot. PennDot does not deal with any signs dealing with School Buses or School Bus Stops. There was discussion that there have been numerous sightings of Police sitting in this area looking for speeders, both N. Lebanon and State Police.

NEW BUSINESS

First Aid and Safety Patrol

A meeting of the municipalities and other ambulance services will be held to obtain information regarding what other options may be available. There was agreement that First Aid and Safety would need to produce a clean audit and change management and board members before there could be any municipal funds released to them.

Jernigan Sewer Module

Supervisor Patches moved to sign the Jernigan Sewer Module. Seconded by Supervisor Kreitzer. All voted in favor; motion carried.

2019 Meeting Dates

Supervisor Kreitzer moved to approve and advertise the 2019 meeting dates. Seconded by Supervisor Patches. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Inwood Bridge

The township has completed work to widen Old State Road so that the State can proceed with the bridge project next year. The question was asked if the Township is paying for the bridge project; It is not.

Resolution #2018-3 – Amended Hazard Mitigation

Supervisor Patches moved to approve Resolution #2018-3 which adopts the amended Lebanon County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Seconded by Supervisor Kreitzer. All voted in favor; motion carried.

CMV Emergency Declaration – 15 November 2018

Supervisor Kreitzer moved to ratify the Emergency Declaration from 15 November 2018. Seconded by Supervisor Patches. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Resolution #2018-4 – Disposition of Files

Supervisor Kreitzer moved to approve Resolution #2018-4 which allows for the destruction of files that were affected by flooding. Seconded by Supervisor Patches. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Snyder – Weaver Lane Subdivision Plan

This subdivision is primarily in Bethel Township with only .66 acres in Swatara. The Supervisors would like to be kept in the loop.

Two items were added to the Agenda:

Christmas Tree Collection

Supervisor Patches moved to approve the collection of Christmas Trees until the last Friday in January, January 25, 2018. Seconded by Supervisor Kreitzer. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Frank Monosso – 12 Crosswinds inquired about permitting. His home in the Woodcrest Heights development was not built to the specifications that had been approved. He and a neighbor, Mrs. Appleton have concerns about the construction of their homes and the UCC inspections appear to be incomplete or inadequate. A meeting between the homeowners and Marty Sowers and Matt Sauers from Light-Heigel will be arranged.

Attorney's Report – Colleen Gallo

Resolution #2018-5 – Adopted the Updated Right to Know Request form

The Resolution is written to also adopt and subsequent changes to the form as well.

Supervisor Patches moved to adopt the revised Right to Know Request form from the State's Office of Open Records. Seconded by Supervisor Kreitzer. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the Board's desire to create a manager's position.

Supervisor Patches moved to authorize the advertising of an ordinance creating a manager's position. Seconded by Supervisor Kreitzer. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Engineer's Report – Jeff Golding

Mr. Golding expressed his enjoyment of working with the Township. He was commended for the projects that were accomplished with his guidance.

Lori Daubert – 15 Birch Street – questioned the actions of the previous Board of transferring tax collection to the County. Discussion of the past Township practices and future planning was also discussed.

Adjournment

Supervisor Patches moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Seconded by Supervisor Kreitzer. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Harding