

PLUMSTEAD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

May 8, 2018

Meeting Minutes

The public meeting of the Plumstead Township Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. at the Plumstead Township Municipal Building, 5186 Stump Road, Plumsteadville, PA

Present:

Brian Trymbiski

Vice Chair

Nick Lykon

Secretary

Peter Busillo

Treasurer

Daniel Hilferty

Asst. Secretary/Asst. Treasurer

Jonathan J. Reiss, Esq.

Township Solicitor

Timothy Fulmer, P.E.

Township Engineer

Duane E. Hasenauer

Police Chief

Absent:

Carolyn McCreary

Township Manager

Vice Chairman Trymbiski called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. followed by a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The EAC meets on May 9. The Parks & recreation Advisory Committee meets on May 14. The Planning Commission meets on May 17. The Historic Advisory Committee meets on May 21.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

DISCUSSION – Frazier Minor Subdivision: Peter Frazier, 6234 German Road spoke to the Board about his desire to request EDUs, so he could connect his property to public sewer. Mr. Trymbiski explained that in order for the Board to consider this request Mr. Frazier must submit a preliminary plan. Mr. Fulmer noted that Mr. Frazier has previously submitted a sketch plan and was previously before the Board requesting EDUs. He explained that the Planning Commission would review the plan once it was submitted, and make a recommendation to the Board concerning the plan and the request for connection to public sewer.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Timothy Fulmer, P.E.

- 1. Applebutter/German Rds. Minor Subdivision:** Jason Smeland, owner of the property, spoke to the Board about his proposed two lot minor subdivision. Mr. Fulmer stated the Planning Commission reviewed the plan in March, and the plan was resubmitted. The Board reviewed the three waivers requested, with some discussion on the cost necessary to install sidewalks because of the amount of road frontage. **Motion** by Mr. Busillo, seconded by Mr. Hilferty to grant preliminary/final approval conditioned on the C. Robert Wynn Associates review letter dated 03/27/18, the Gilmore & Associates review letter dated 04/04/18, waiver of a \$10,000 capital contribution in lieu of the street improvements unless a request is made to allocate public sewer EDUs for the two lots, and the installation of a concrete sidewalk or paved path along the entire frontage of the two parcels. With no additional comment, the vote was 3-1 with Mr. Lykon dissenting.

- 2. Plumstead Chase/Plumstead Preserve/Plumstead Woods:** Mr. Fulmer advised the Board that Toll Bros. would like to extend the maintenance period 60 days in order to give them adequate time to complete the remaining items on the punch lists prepared by his office, the Township's water engineer and arborist. He noted that the poor weather in the early spring resulted in a delay in being able to address some of the items. He stated that they have provided proof of the extension of the three maintenance bonds which are on file with the Township to both his office and the Solicitor's office. Mr. Fulmer stated he did not expect the work to take 60 days. **Motion** by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Lykon to approve the request for a 60-day extension. With no additional comment, all voted in favor 4-0.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Jonathan Reiss, Esq.

- 1. Ordinance Amendment-Worthington Rd. Bridge Weight:** Mr. Reiss sought authorization to advertise the proposed amendment for a public hearing, noting the draft of the amendment had been circulated amongst the Board prior to the meeting. The bridge weight restriction would be removed because of the recent rehabilitation project. **Motion** by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Busillo to authorize the advertisement. With no additional comment, all voted in favor 4-0.
- 2. Application to Agricultural Security District-Stump & Silo Hill Rd.:** Mr. Reiss informed the Board that the Township had received an application from James Simpkins, owner of the property to place the property in the Township's Agricultural Security District. He stated that this is the first step under the state law, and the next step will be to place a legal ad in the newspaper, with the property being posted, and the application available for inspection at the Township office. Mr. Lykon inquired as to how the Township could obtain an easement for a trail that is part of the approved Township-wide trail plan if the property is preserved by the County. Board consensus was for Ms. McCreary to contact the property owner.
- 3. Zoning Hearing Board Application-6141 Easton Road:** Mr. Reiss informed the Board that the Township had received an application from Airgas seeking variances relating to their proposed land development. The Board discussed the details of the requested variances, with Mr. Fulmer explaining the issues with the property and the proposed land development that require relief. Board consensus was for the Zoning Hearing Board to make a decision based on the evidence and testimony presented with no input from the Township.

Mr. Trymbiski stated there will be a need for an Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT: Carolyn McCreary, Township Manager:

- 1. Proposed Amendment to 457 Plan:** The Board reviewed details of a memo and documentation to support Resolution 2018-19 which if adopted would permit employees to take loans from their accounts. Any loans would have to comply with IRS regulations concerning amount and repayment term. **Motion** by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Busillo to adopt Resolution 2018-19. With no additional comment, all voted in favor 4-0.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: **Motion** by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Lykon to approve the bills list dated 05/08/18 and the Addendum dated 04/26/18 subject to audit. With no additional comment, all voted in favor 4-0. The amounts on the bills list are as follows: General Fund - \$85,225.39, Water Fund - \$24,373.06, Capital Reserve Fund - \$5,090.02, State Liquid Fuels Fund - \$1,896.91, Zoning Hearing Board Escrow - \$117.50, Flood Mitigation Grant Fund - \$4,227.88 (addendum)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Mr. Lykon, seconded by Mr. Hilferty to approve the minutes of the 04/24/18 meeting and the 04/26/18 Worksession. With no additional comment, the vote was 3-0 with Mr. Busillo abstaining as he was not in attendance at the Worksession.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: Joseph Reinheimer, 3634 Ferry Rd. sought an update on the Wawa land use appeal,

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Busillo, to adjourn into Executive Session at 9:00 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter. With no additional comment, all voted in favor 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn McCreary, Township Manager

Date Approved