

East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors

March 9, 2023

Special Business Meeting Minutes

The advertised special business meeting of the East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors was held at 5:00p.m. on March 9, 2023, in the meeting room at the East Rockhill Township Municipal Office, 1622 North Ridge Road, Perkasio, PA 18944.

Present:	Dave Nyman	Supervisor Chairperson
	Gary Volovnik	Supervisor Vice-Chairperson
	Jim Nietupski	Supervisor Member
	Marianne Morano	Township Manager
	Will Oetinger, Esq.	Township Solicitor
	Steve Baluh, P.E.	Township Engineer
	Nick Fretz	Perkasie Regional Authority Manager
	David Watt	Perkasie Regional Authority Board Chairperson

The meeting was called to order at 5:00p.m. by Mr. Nyman with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members of the public were present.

Public Comment #1:

- Jennifer Wright, 400 Three Mile Run Road, questioned the Special Meeting. Meeting is held to get project underway and state requirement is 24-hour notice.

Business:

Discussion and consideration of Perkasie Regional Authority request for draft mandatory public water connection Ordinance for properties impacted by PFAS and conveyance of sewer flow Agreement through sewer infrastructure

Mr. Fretz and Mr. Watt were present. PENNVEST grant award allowed public water connection free of charge on Old Bethlehem Pike to Forrest Road and Tabor Road; well decommissioning cost was believed to not be included and be a DEP issue under the PFAS investigation; wells that continued to be in operation could draw the PFAS plume; properties who did not connect to public water under the grant would need to pay for public water connection should they want public water; DEP and PRA recommends all properties connect to public water to prevent the PFAS plume contaminating other wells; regulatory levels were recently amended from 70ppt to 14-16ppt; at this time the plume moving is not specifically known.

- Jennifer Wright, 400 Three Mile Run Road, questioned if only Old Bethlehem Pike was getting public water connection and the number of properties with high levels of PFAS. Map with DEP water test results was on the projection screen that depicted above 70ppt with red dots all of which would get public water as part of the PRA grant award or McClennen Tract construction with one exception that was not in the vicinity and believed to be related to something that occurred on that property. DEP has jurisdiction of the well testing and PFAS investigation.

Consensus of the Board was to authorize consideration of a draft mandatory public water connection Ordinance at their March 28, 2023 meeting and consider adoption at their April 18, 2023 meeting and for a mailing to go out to all East Rockhill residents with notice of said meeting.

Consider authorizing Chairperson execution of a Development Agreement and a Stormwater Operation and Maintenance Agreement and Access Easement at 1303 N. 5th Street Bucks County Tax Map parcel 12-014-023-002 and signature on plans for recordation

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to authorize Chairperson execution of the Agreements as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Public Comment #2:

There was none.

Adjournment:

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to adjourn the regular meeting into Executive Session. With no additional discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne Morano
Township Manager