

## **East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors**

**May 12, 2015**

### **Regular Business Meeting Minutes**

The regular business meeting of the East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors was held at 7:00p.m. on May 12, 2015 in the Township meeting room at the East Rockhill Township Municipal Building, 1622 North Ridge Road, Perkasie, PA 18944.

Present:	David Nyman	Chairperson
	Gary Volovnik	Vice-Chairperson
	Jim Nietupski	Member
	Marianne Morano	Township Manager
	Patrick Armstrong, Esq.	Township Solicitor
	Steven Baluh, P.E.	Township Engineer
	Jeff Scholl	Public Works Director

The meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m. by Mr. Nyman with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Approval of Minutes from April 14, 2015 Regular Meeting**

**On motion** by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to adopt the meeting minutes from the Board of Supervisors' April 14, 2015 ~~Work~~/Regular Meeting. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

#### **Payment of the Bills**

**On motion** by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to approve payment of Bills List dated May 8, 2015 totaling \$146,116.06. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

#### **Public Comment #1**

- Hans Schnitzler, 16 Stone Edge Road, asked when the Markey Park pathway would be crack sealed. After roads have been repaired. Mr. Schnitzler thanked Public Work for filling potholes on Stone Edge Road.
- Jan Maier, resides with son Michael at 2107 N. Rockhill Road, alleged that Township Code Officer, Michael Gardner, has been repeatedly observing/harassing 2107 N. Rockhill Road. She stated that she had called the police non-emergency number and was not getting a police response. Ms. Maier was advised to call 911 as this should be considered an emergency. This property is before the District Judge for a Zoning violation.

#### **Township Manager's Report: Marianne Morano**

**Zoning Hearing Application for Matthew Clemens owner 311 Three Mile Run Road:** Seeking relief from Section 27-802.b of the Zoning Ordinance to permit an addition to an existing single family dwelling with a side yard setback of fifteen (15) feet where a twenty

(20) feet side yard is required. Mr. Clemens was not present. The consensus of the Board was to not oppose the application.

**Zoning Hearing Application for George and Rebecca Zuck owner 2017 N. Rockhill Road:** Seeking relief from Sections 27-802.b and 27-2103 of the Zoning Ordinance to remove an existing nonconforming mobile home and replace it with a larger mobile home that will increase the non-conformity an additional two feet into the front yard, resulting in a 43 feet front yard where a 45 feet front yard currently exists and where a 50 feet front yard is required. Mr. and Mrs. Zuck were present. The consensus of the Board was to not oppose the application.

**Resolution 2015-10 Iron Bridge Park:** Township owned 15.85 acre open space parcel at 1450 Branch Road was presented to be named Iron Bridge Park as it is traditionally known. **On motion** by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to adopt Resolution 2015-10 and name the 15.85 acre parcel located at 1450 Branch Road the Iron Bridge Park. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**2015 Road Projects Bid Results:** Bid results for 2015 Paving and 2015 Bituminous Seal Coat were presented to the Board. After general discussion to capitalize on lower paving cost and utilize unbudgeted revenue to pave the alternately bid additional length of Three Mile Run Road, it was the consensus of the Board to utilize available Infrastructure funds and additional unbudgeted General funds to overlay Three Mile Run Road from Old Bethlehem Pike to Schoolhouse Road and Oil and Chip Three Mile Run Road, Schoolhouse Road and Schwenkmill Road as advertised. The re-paving of the Willard H. Markey Centennial Park parking lot adjacent to playground is to be paid for with open space funds.

**On motion** by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to accept 2015 Paving Alternate Bid for Three Mile Run Road from Old Bethlehem Pike to Schoolhouse Road from Blooming Glen Contractors for a not to exceed amount of \$209,287.00 as submitted. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**On motion** by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to accept 2015 Bituminous Seal Coat for a double application on Three Mile Run Road from Schoolhouse Road to Schwenkmill Road, a single application on Schoolhouse Road and a single application on Schwenkmill Road from Three Mile Run Road to Ridge Road from Asphalt Industries for a not to exceed amount of \$43,966.68 as submitted. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Township Hydrologist:** Mrs. Morano presented to the Board a proposal from Earth Data Northeast, Inc. (EDN) for Township Hydrologist.

**On motion** by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to appoint Earth Data Northeast, Inc. (EDN) as the Township Hydrologist as submitted. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**June Meeting Schedule:** The consensus of the Board was to set a meeting date of June 16 for a Regular Meeting.

**On motion** by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to approve the Township Manager Report. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Public Works Report: Jeff Scholl**

Mr. Scholl updated the Board on Public Works activities in April. Of note, a 1993 GMC Dump Truck was sold on MuniBid for \$6,500; security cameras and a motion detector light on a telephone pole by the playground are to be installed at the Willard H. Markey Centennial Park. Mr. Scholl's report is on file.

**On motion** by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to approve the Township Public Works Report. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Planning Commission: David Nyman**

There was not a Planning Commission meeting in May.

**Pennridge Community Center Report: David Nyman**

The May – June 2015 Pennridge Community Center Newsletter is in the Board's packets and available at the Township Building.

**PWTA Report: John Cressman**

Mr. Cressman reviewed the April 27, 2015 Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority draft minutes. The PWTA minutes and flows are on file.

**On motion** by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to approve the Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority Report. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**PACC Report: David Nyman**

Mr. Nyman reviewed the April 23, 2015 PACC Notes. The Notes are on file.

**Police Commission Report: Jim Nietupski**

Mr. Nietupski shared the April 2015 Pennridge Regional Police report. The report is on file.

**On motion** by Mr. Nyman, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to approve the Police Commission Report. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Engineer Report: Steve Baluh, P.E.**

**Subdivision Plan Review Status** May 6, 2015 Review is in the Board's packets. No action is necessary.

**On motion** by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to approve the Township Engineer's Report. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Solicitor Report: Patrick Armstrong, Esq.**

**PSD Development Agreements.**

**On motion** by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik to authorize the Chairperson to execute the Pennridge School District Development Agreements when they are received. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Cordero / McLaughlin, Schwenkmill Road Agreements.**

**On motion** by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to execute the Cordero/McLaughlin agreements as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Feralio In-Law Suite Deed.**

**On motion** by Mr. Nyman, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to waive the appearance of a conflict by Grim, Biehn and Thatcher. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Mr. Armstrong requested an Executive Session to discuss Mager Mandamus litigation, real estate and personnel issues.

**On motion** by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to approve the Township Solicitor's Report. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Department and Emergency Services Reports**

Department Services Reports listed on the agenda were noted as received. Copies are on file.

**On motion** by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to acknowledge receipt of the Department and Service Reports. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**New or Other Business – Supervisor Items:** There were none.

**Public Comment #2:**

- Hans Schnitzler, 16 Stone Edge Road, likes larger size agenda in the public packet and noted the Township received 80% reimbursement from PennDOT for the Rockhill Road Bridge.

**Adjournment**

**On motion** by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to adjourn into executive session. With no additional discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:02p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne Morano  
Township Manager