

East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors

October 20, 2015

Regular Business Meeting Minutes

The regular business meeting of the East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors was held at 7:00 p.m. on October 20, 2015 following the budget work session in the Township meeting room at the East Rockhill Township Municipal Building, 1622 North Ridge Road, Perkasio, PA 18944.

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

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

Approval of Minutes from September 8, 2015 Budget Meeting and Regular Meeting

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to adopt the meeting minutes from the Board of Supervisors' September 8, 2015 Budget Meeting and September 8, 2015 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 October 16, 2015 totaling \$ 511,793.09. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Public Comment #1

- Anne Fenley, Branch Road, relayed the message a homeowner appreciated Public Works prompt pothole repair on Creekview Drive.
- Jim Weikel, Ridge Road, Public Works did a good job on Butler Lane.
- Brett Housman, Thatcher Road, inquired if the Township would have interest in preserving the Girl Scout Camp. Freedom Valley Girl Scouts have been contacted in the past that the Township is interested in a Conservation Easement.

Township Manager's Report: Marianne Morano

Land Development Waiver Request - Faith Baptist Church: Mr. Kevin Cripe was present to seek a waiver of land development to construct a 16 feet x 16 feet storage building on an existing concrete slab.

On motion by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to approve land development waiver request contingent on Professional Service Contract executed, escrow established

and building permit and zoning permit approvals. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Salt Bids 2015-2016 Season:

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik to award the 2015-2016 salt bids to Morton Salt, Inc. through Costars at the rate of \$64.88 per ton for the required 375 tons and to Morton Salt, Inc. through Bucks County Consortium a the rate of \$63.97 per ton delivered and \$63.00 per ton undelivered as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Agreement of Sale for a Covered Bridge Road conservation easement was presented to the Board.

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to approve execution of the agreement subject to settlement by December 31, 2015, if feasible. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Appraisal quotes for a potential Open Space acquisition. On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik to ratify the authorization of Indian Valley Appraisal Company not to exceed \$2,800.00 for four appraisals as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

November Meeting Schedule. The consensus of the Board was to set a meeting date of November 10 for their Regular Meeting.

Mrs. Morano requested an Executive Session to discuss a real estate matter.

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 September. Of note, a section of West Rock Road received an overlay; section of Butler Lane received an overlay with the assistance of Richland Township, Hilltown Township, West Rockhill Township and Perkasio Borough. In response to an inquiry, the Board confirmed leaf collection is to take place on Township and State roads. It was noted that roads not dedicated can utilize the yard waste container at the Municipal drop off site. 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 October.

PWTA Report

The September 28, 2015 Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority draft minutes were noted as received. The PWTA minutes and flows are on file.

PACC Report: David Nyman

Mr. Nyman noted the next meeting was scheduled for October 29, 2015 at the Pennridge Community Center.

Police Commission Report: Jim Nietupski

Mr. Nietupski shared the September, 2015 Pennridge Regional Police report. He noted Commission Executive Sessions were held September 23, September 30, and October 7 for labor and personnel. The Department attended a juvenile probation meeting at Pennridge High School, protecting your children presentation at Pennridge High School and airport safety training at Pennridge Airport. Mr. Volovnik will attend the October 28, 2015 Police Commission meeting. 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 October 1, 2015 Review is in the Board's packets. No action is necessary.

Dunkin Donut – 5th Street.

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to authorize the Engineer to write a letter to PennDOT to allow Dunkin Donuts, Perkasio Borough, access to the Fifth Street easement in East Rockhill Township as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Signal SR313 and SR563: SR313 is to be widened and paved by PennDOT, infrastructure will be installed by Carr & Duff and will be ready for the middle of December pole installation.

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.

Ordinance Update to Chapter 15 Motor Vehicles and Traffic.

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to authorize for advertising an amendment to Code of Ordinance Chapter 15 for speed limit postings on Township roads as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Mr. Armstrong requested an Executive Session for an attorney – client possible litigation matter.

On motion by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, 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. Mr. Nyman noted he and Dave Worthington, Perkasio FD Chief were honored to attend Dublin Fire company 100th anniversary banquet.

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

New or Other Business – Supervisor Items

- Mr. Nietupski would like to propose revising the Ordinance to require certified plot plans be required for permanent structure building permits. Staff will review the existing Ordinances.
- Mr. Nyman provided the Board with an update to the Penridge Community Center activities offered. The building was built in 2007, offers various programs while being funded with \$14 per year membership, donations and limited funds from State and County. In 2015 an improved entrance for storm protection and a new patio floor and roof were installed.

Public Comment #2:

- Anne Fenley, Branch Road, where are the Penridge Community Center patio bricks with names on them being used? They will enhance the flag pole area.
- Dave Worthington, Perkasio Fire Department, was concerned that the Penridge School District Athletic Field gate might be too narrow for the fire truck. The size will be confirmed.
- Anne Fenley, Branch Road, commented that her son had a property survey done and a neighbor shed was found to be on his property.

Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to adjourn into executive session. With no additional discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne Morano

Township Manager