

East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors

January 19, 2016

Regular Business Meeting Minutes

The regular business meeting of the East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors was held at 7:00p.m. on January 19, 2016 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
	Steve 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 December 8, 2015 Regular Meeting

On motion by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to adopt the meeting minutes from the Board of Supervisors' December 8, 2015 Regular Meeting. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Payment of the Bills

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to approve payment of 2015 Bills List dated January 15, 2016 totaling \$44,135.54 and payment of 2016 Bills List dated January 15, 2016 totaling \$300,084.68. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Public Comment #1

There was none.

Township Manager's Report: Marianne Morano

Resolution 2016-04 Recognizing James Sears

On motion by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to adopt Resolution 2016-04 recognizing James Sears for his 30 years of service on the Zoning Hearing Board as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Zoning Hearing Vacancy

On motion by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to appoint James Weikel as a member of the Zoning Hearing Board. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Bucks County Planning Commission request for Tax Parcels 12-14-60 and 12-14-61

added to the Bedminster Agricultural Security Area was distributed to the Board. Bucks County has preserved the parcels and Bedminster Township has approved the addition. A Resolution will be presented at February's meeting.

Open Space Appraisal for consideration of a quote for a potential Open Space preservation for approval.

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to ratify the Manager's engaging A. James Scanzillo to perform an open space appraisal at a cost not to exceed \$1,800.00. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Mr. Baluh noted there was a floating one acre lot for future subdivision when 1.8 acres is required.

2015 Manger Overview. Mrs. Morano cited her 2015 Overview which had been provided to the Board of Supervisors and in the public packets.

Penridge Airport has requested to trim trees and brush to the right of the Willard H. Markey Park entrance driveway the FAA considers obstructions. Mr. Baluh will follow-up with Airport representatives on how tall the trees will be after they have been trimmed.

MS 965 Liquid Fuel Report. 2015 Report completed and will be submitted electronically.

February Meeting Schedule. The consensus of the Board was to set a meeting date of February 16 for a Work/Regular Meeting.

Temporary Building Code Services.

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to approve a six-month contract with fourteen-day termination notice to Building Inspection Underwriters at a rate of \$63.00 hour with no travel time charged on a temporary basis. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Mrs. Morano requested an executive session to discuss real estate.

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 December 2015. Of note, Richland Water and Sewer Authority's selling a 2005 Ford Explorer which could be used as a Code vehicle as budgeted. The consensus of the Board was to make an offer and not exceed the budgeted amount. Mr. Nietupski requested the yard waste container be painted to remove the previous owners name when time and weather permits.

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to authorize the advertisement and bid documents for the purchase of a used wheel loader as budgeted. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

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 January. The 2015 Overview was provided to the Board of Supervisors.

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

Pennridge Community Center Report: David Nyman

The January – February 2016 Pennridge Community Center Newsletter is in the Board's packets and available for the public.

PWTA Report:

The December 14, 2015 Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority draft minutes and November 2015 flows were reviewed. The PWTA minutes and flows are on file.

PACC Report: David Nyman

The next PACC meeting will be held January 28, 2016 at the Pennridge Community Center.

Police Commission Report: Jim Nietupski

Mr. Nietupski shared the December 2015 Pennridge Regional Police report. Of note, an executive session was held December 8, 2015 to discuss personnel, Sergeant Blake was promoted to Chief and the Public Safety Committee was approved. Mr. Nietupski appreciated Mr. Nyman thanking the Commission for hiring a Chief. 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. Review dated December 23, 2015 is in the Board's packets. No action is necessary.

Signal SR313 and SR563 (Mountainview Drive)

The infrastructure has been installed; PP&L needs to install power which may be delayed due to a pole replacement. Mr. Baluh will review if the street light can be removed from the pole and notify PP&L there was a fatality at that intersection and there shall be no delays to the project.

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.

Mr. Armstrong requested an executive session to discuss Mager and Code Enforcement litigation

Department and Emergency Services Reports

Department and 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

- Mr. Nietupski thanked Mrs. Morano for ending the year in the black and managing expenses.

Public Comment #2:

There was none.

Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to adjourn into Executive Session. With no additional discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne Morano
Township Manager