

The regular Township meeting was held on August 4, 2020, at 7:00 PM. It was called to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of Officers

Supervisors, George Henry, James Callahan and Kenneth Wertz were present. Sec-Treasurer Beverly Henderson, Solicitor Matthew Gieg, and Engineer Levine were present.

Minutes

A motion was made by James Callahan and second by Kenneth Wertz to accept the meeting minutes of July 7, 2020, regular meeting as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by James Callahan and second by Kenneth Wertz to accept the Treasurer's report as presented for the month of July. The motion passed unanimously.

Announcements:

General Comments

- Trina Illig, CDBG Funds report, as of now we have funds from 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 to be used. The remaining funds from 2015 & 2016 will be used to rehab five housing units, which are underway. The funds for 2017 & 2018, we should consider using to extend a sewer line under Frankstown Road to fix a malfunctioning septic system and a few other homes in the area. The cost of this project is approximately \$163,000.00. Trina also suggested that we use the 2019 & 2020 monies to extend the water line to the Berwind Row house that is low to mod income area. The cost for this project would be approximately \$550,000.00. By using approximately \$200,000.00 of the funds, she would then apply for a competitive grant for the remaining balance for the next cycle at the end of the year. With the COVID -19, the Township was allocated \$69,773.00 under the Cares Act (CDBG-CV) funds. These funds can be used for preparing, preventing, and responding to COVID; therefore, a motion was made by James Callahan and second by Kenneth Wertz to allocate 70% (\$48,841.10) to Housing Rehab and 30% (20,931.90) to public service. The motion passed unanimously.
- Walter Focht was present concerning the work that will be done on Brush Mountain Road at the intersection with Harshberger Drive. Mr. Focht lives on Center Ave. and was concerned about them placing a pipe that may dump more water on him to flood him out. Engineer Levine assured Mr. Focht the scope of the work would not put more water onto his property but rather made the inlet more self-sufficient and self-cleaning so the road crews do not need to go and clean the intersection every time it rains hard.
- Gary Gates was also present concerning the work on Brush Mountain Rd., and questioned if the current scope of the work has anything to do with the 40 ft. right of way. Engineer Levine agreed. The plan for this year is to get the inlet installed and next year work on the right of way. There are still some property owners that need to sign and easements. Mr. Gates feels that if the water would be diverted to the retention pond in Elmwood that would slow down the water. This pond was design to release the water

slowly and would take 72 hours. Solicitor Gieg is to draft a quick claim deed and utility easement for Mr. Gates to sign.

- Karen Samuelson was present concerning her neighbor's trash dump going into her property with trailer, washing machine, dryer and whatever else they could put there. Ms. Samuelson stated that she is going to lose her property if something is not done with the junk yard. She stated that there is someone interesting in purchasing the ground but they do not want a junk yard beside them. Ms. Samuelson stated that her neighbor has his property in clean and green and she thought you were not allowed to junk up the ground. Ms. Samuelson stated that the stuff belongs to Matt Metz. She has called Kevin Cramer in the past concerning the mess. Kevin Cramer stated he would reach out to Mr. Metz to discuss the violation. Ms. Samuelson contacted the assessment office and they referred her to the Township. Solicitor Gieg stated that he would file a complaint against the property and told Ms. Samuelson to go back to the courthouse and talk to Deana, the Chief Assessor.

- Lynn Granville had a couple things to discuss:

He was asked to request a noise and lighting ordinance for the Frankstown Township. He thought you were allow 25 people in room, Supervisor Henry and Callahan stated that they want 10 so we can keep everyone 6 feet apart. Mr. Granville stated that we should then consider holding it outside or in the garage.

Mr. Granville stated that he is a neighbor of Mr. Gates and wanted to know what they are doing with the inlet and the ditch.

Mr. Granville stated that this is a public meeting and you have to wait outside until it is your turn. He felt that we could get more people in the meeting room and still keep them 6 ft. apart. Solicitor Gieg stated that there are some Municipal that will not let the public in at all.

Mr. Granville wanted to know since Kevin Cramer is out what are you doing about that, and finally there is a hole on Godfrey lane that needs some attention.

New Business

Kliener/Dunkle/Barger Side Lot Addition. A motion was made by James Callahan and second by Kenneth Wertz to approve the Kliener/Dunkle/Barger Side Lot Addition located off Turkey Valley and Scotch Valley. The motion passed unanimously.

Items that Solicitor Gieg reported:

- Omar Hazlett small stream discharge agreement is ready for signature.
- Leamer's small stream discharge system was installed without paying the escrow fees, and we understand there is a new party living there. Solicitor Gieg is to track them down.

- An Upset Tax Sale notice was issued and the Sweeney Property is on it, which as we know has a number of liens against the property. The sale is to take place in September. If someone purchases the property, they would assume the liens. If no one purchases it, it will move to the judicial sale in June.
- Concerning the complaint filed by Mr. & Mrs. Plumber at the last meeting, a letter was sent to the Mrs. Weidenbacher concerning the trash. The letters were sent regular and certified mail. A follow up call to Ms. Plumber was made.
- Stub located in Rolling Hills - Solicitor Gieg is to set up a time with Dave Pertile.
- Servello setback issue - There is an unopened alley that runs beside her of which she can incorporate into the side lot addition that is currently on the table, however she is requesting a building permit prior to the subdivision of which Solicitor Gieg would not advise.

With no other business brought before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned into an executive session with a motion made by James Callahan and second by Kenneth Wertz at 9:00 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Secretary Beverly J. Henderson