

The regular Township meeting was held on July 5, 2023, 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, were present. Sec-Treasurer Beverly Henderson, Solicitor Jeffrey Muriceak, Engineer Thomas Levine, and Assistant Sec. Robbin Grove were present. Kenneth Wertz was absent.

Minutes

A motion was made by James Callahan and second by George Henry to accept the meeting minutes of June 6, 2023, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Announcements: Donavy Cassidy was present regarding the Boy Scout Citizenship in Community Badge.

General Comments

® Steve Young was present concerning the progress on the Ryan Mervine status, according to Solicitor Jeffrey Muriceak Mr. Kevin Cramer had issued citation to both Mr. & Mrs. Mervine and there is a court date set however there is a conflict with my schedule. It was reported in the past that when any citation was taken before the Judge Aigner she would tell them you do not want to fine your residence. This Board has the right if Judge Aigner says no we can take it on to the Common Peas courts, but it must start with Judge Aigner first. Solicitor Muriceak also had requested that a couple residence go with them. Josh Wood stated that it is obvious that there is a problem down there, you can see it. Solicitor Muriceak stated that you do not have to come but it would help.

® Mr. Young asked is we could get the Local and State Representative involved to help, Chairman Henry state that State Representative Jim Gregory called DEP.

® Mr. Young said on another note why are you hiring a Business Manager for \$50,000, \$60,000.00 or \$70,000.00 a year, is that not what Beverly does now. Chairman Henry stated that she is planning to retire in 3 years, and we need to get someone to replace her that can write grants. This person will need to know all aspects of the Township. Mr. Young wanted to know what Beverly title is, Chairman Henry stated Sec. Treas., Mr. Young wanted to know why we do not just hire a Sec. Treas.

® Mr. Young questioned what Denny Walls did and his title, Chairman Henry stated that he was the sewer inspector. Some of the duties that he is responsible for is to check the flow meter once a week, inspect all new sewer laterals, and in fact they are finishing a \$350,000.00 sewer project up on the Orchard.

® Richard & Ashley Stinger was present concerning the garage that was built within the special flood hazard area which states that you cannot build anything over 200 sq foot of which it was constructed without the necessary permits. Zoning Officer Kevin Cramer has sent several letters to Mr. & Mrs. Stinger stating that they need to remove the garage from his residence. Mr.

Stringer wanted to appear before the Board to inform them in person that he is not removing his garage. Stringer stated that there are meth labs below him and that he had \$10,000.00 worth of tools stolen from his property and that the state police advise him to get this equipment locked up and that is when he orders the garage. Chairman Henry asked Mr. Stringer I understand that you contacted Keller Engineers to see if you could get out of the flood area what did they say. Keller Engineers stated that they could not get the garage out of the flood area. Chairman Henry stated that if you would not have been a weekend warrior and contact Zoning Officer Cramer first you would not be in this situation.

® Mr. Young stated about all the drugs on Briam Lane. Chairman Henry stated that if he would have been on the Board when FEMA come through there, they would all be gone. Mr. Young stated that you have to stop kicking the can down the road. This is why we elected you to the Board to clean up the Linds Crossing Area.

® Josh Woods understand what is right and what is wrong but if you put \$200,000.00 into a vacant house that has been sitting for 10 years or more and then tell them they can't put a nice garage beside it, and then you have all those campers people are living in, and the uninspected unlicensed vehicle sitting around, it just frustrates me as a residence. Mr. Wood also understands that two residences were turned in for him putting fill in when Mr. Mervine had 3 tandem loads that Penn Dot dropped off at his residence and one was by a drainage pipe. Chairman Henry stated that the Penn Dot is no longer allowed to dump on top of Frankstown Mountain.

® Mr. Stinger question how he can keep the garage, since Mr. Cramer stated there is no place on his property since he has the drug down the road and had \$10,000.00 worth of equipment stolen, would feel be acceptable. According to Engineer Levine no fill is acceptable within the special flood hazard area, it seems to him that Mr. & Mrs. Stringer had extended their resources and is not permitted to build in this area and the fact that it is against our rules. Chairman Henry stated that we should just throw all rules away. Mr. Stringer stated that he is not moving his garage.

® Mr. Young asked about the campers and was wondering where all the septic is going is it going into our wells. He also stated that there is a job johnnie down there sitting and has been there for one year or a year and half it is tied down now.

® Treavor Young stated that the meth heads are still down there rather than looking for a business manager we should get a police department. Chairman Henry asked if they wanted to pay more taxes and they said yes maybe there would leave if they cannot pay the taxes. Mr. Young wanted to know who we reach out to next to the media, commissioners to get this in the open. Chairman Henry stated that we tried to get CDBG Funds to put a dumpster in that area, but Trina Illig stated that they are no longer in low income. Mr. Young stated that there is no income, which is the problem.

® According to Rachel Doyle they never saw State Police until 2012.

® According to Rob Lingenfelter who stated there are at least two cars that belong to Ryan Mervine that are on the road. Chairman Henry told them to call the state police since it is a state road. Mr. Lingenfelter stated that these cars have no registration nor license on them.

® Mr. Young stated that there is a camper parked on a curve that needs some attention on Linds Crossing. Maybe some R6 then R4 put on top.

® Rachel Doyle stated when it floods all the debris from comes down the river that would hurt not only humans but also animals and it all comes from the Linds Crossing area. Chairman Henry asked if she had anything in her yard she said yes propane tanks, mattress, trash. There is also a common drain there that when we get heavy rains the drain backs up and ends up in her basement.

Old Business:

® Dreams Go on Land Development

Before we go on with the approve for the handicap therapeutic riding ring located off Turkey Valley Rd., we must for inform the Board that there are 2 modifications as well as 2 agreements needed.

- A motion was made by James Callahan and second by George Henry granting the first modification SWM Section 409.H.2C R-4 lined emergency spillway based upon the spillway width and soil type a grass lined spillway will be stable. The motion passed unanimously.

- A motion was made by James Callahan and seconded by George Henry granting the second modification SWM Section 409.H.9 fence around detention basin: proposed basin is a rain garden/bioretention basin with sole mix in the bottom of the basin. The depth of water for storm events 1, 2,10, 25 and 50-years will be located with the soil mix. The 100-year storm event will pond 0.08' (0.96") on the surface. The motion passed unanimously.

- A motion was made by James Callahan and seconded by George Henry granting the authorization for the Chairman to sign the Developers Agreement as well as the Stormwater Agreement after the representative from Dream Go On signs. The motion passed unanimously.

- A motion was made by James Callahan and second by George Henry granting conditional approve for the Dreams Go on Land Development Plan as presented by P Joseph Lehman subject to a Development Agreement and Stormwater Agreement execution. The motion passed unanimously.

® Fred Brenner Time Extension.

- A motion was made by James Callahan and second by George Henry to accept the 90-day request for a time extension for the Fred Brenner Subdivision located off Brush Mountain Rd. The motion passed unanimously.

With no other business brought before the Board of Supervisor a motion was made by James Callahan and seconded by George Henry to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Secretary Beverly J. Henderson