

**The Township of Greenwich
Board of Supervisors Meeting
Tuesday, October 1, 2018**

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chairman Victor Berger called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Members present: Dean Spohn and Alice Flyte. Professionals present: Solicitor, Alex Elliker; Zoning Officer, John Yoder; Secretary/Treasurer, Jane Werley.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Chairman Victor Berger informed the audience to please state their name and address if addressing the Board.
2. RTK Requests –
 - a. Fred Germann-September 5, 2018 – Provide copy of calculations and plans of salt shed constructed on the premises of the Greenwich Township Municipal Building. Denied under section 701 of the RTKL, Electronic Plan not existing and no calculations on record. Sec. .5 hr. + Engineer and Solicitor fees.
 - b. Robert Ransom, Esq. – Copy of most recent version of Zoning Ordinance. Sec. .5.
 - c. Kay Brendlinger – Copy of the 2017 and 2018 approved budgets. Sec. .17
 - d. PSIP JVI – All communications and Documents which reference PSIP JVI, Krumsville Road, LLC or Crossroads X, LLC, or both from January 1, 2016 to present. In progress.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

1. Motion to approve the Minutes of the September 4, 2018 Board of Supervisors Meeting made by AF and seconded by DS. Motion carried 3-0.

HEARING OF THE VISITORS:

1. Fred Germann, 1273 Krumsville Rd. Mr. Germann again urged the Board of Supervisors' to make the Crossroads X electronic plans available on the Township website. This time he recommends using Drop Box which he believes will not be costly nor time consuming. Solicitor Elliker, expressed concern that Mr. Germann was spreading misinformation online about the Township's position on this matter. Solicitor Elliker explained to Mr. Germann again that the Township Ordinance does not require applicants to submit electronic plans nor is the Township in possession of electronic plans. The Township did not tell Mr. Germann that it was illegal to post a developer's plans on the Township website. Mr. Germann acknowledged a partial misunderstanding. Mr. Germann urged the Board to amend the Ordinance and make electronic plans a requirement.
2. Linda Wood, Circle Rd. Questioned sign informing of road closure at Kohlers Hill on October 2nd and 3rd. Road to be closed for pipe replacement.

PLANS TO REVIEW:

1. Harmike Investments. P. Eisenbrown went over LTL Consultants review letter. Discussion took place on whether or not a turning lane would be required of the developer. PennDot's response to

the traffic study was that a turning lane is warranted, however, they would not require it and deferred the decision to the Township. The Board of Supervisors' would like to receive a formal response from PennDot stating a required turning lane or stating that a turning lane is not necessary at this time. Harmike tabled the discussion at that point and will report back to the Board by the November meeting. Harmike informed the Board that if the turning lane is required and will be sole responsibility of the developer they may not go forward with their plan and will not open the convenience store/gas station plans.

- a. Owner Vikram Singh spoke to the Board about the financial burden for him as a small business owner regarding the turning lane, and that because there are four commercial properties on that stretch of road the Township should take care of the road for all. Mr. Singh does not agree that he should be solely responsible for the cost of the turning lane for the other three commercial properties just because he is the first to develop. It would help financially if the Township would allow him to purchase the adjoining property and remove the conditional use of no tractor trailer traffic so that he could expand the gas station and allow fueling for tractor trailers on the adjoining lot.
 - b. Linda Wood stated that she does not want to pay for any cost to install the turning lane.
 - c. Earl Osterstock, 80 Bower Rd., asked questions about the traffic study as to average daily traffic numbers and feels that the numbers given are not accurate. He also requested that the Board not grant any waivers for sight distance, and that he has concerns about future septic problems.
 - d. Dodie Sable stated that vehicles passing on the berm due to not installing a turning lane will cause an unsafe roadway.
2. Laudadio – Motion made by DS for approval of Sketch Plan to move forward to Preliminary Plan with the requirements included in the Conditional Use Hearing, LTL Consultants review and the Planning Commission Recommendations, seconded by AF. Motion carried 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Confirmation on Crossroads X Escrow account being up to date.
 - a. Linda Wood asked for the amount of the Crossroads Escrow Check. We received the required amount of \$ 10,000.00.
2. Motion made by AF to adopt Ordinance No. 2018-01, Snow and Ice Ordinance, seconded by DS. Motion carried 3-0. Ordinance states that there will be no parking on any Township road during a snow emergency. Violators will be subject to fines and vehicle towing. Snow Emergency will be called when at least one Board of Supervisor member and the Road Master are in agreement conditions call for it. Snow Emergencies will be broadcasted by both Radio and Television and when possible will be available on the Township website.
 - a. Kay Brendlinger questioned if the Ordinance included all Township roads or just certain roads. Ordinance includes all Township roads.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion made by AF to approve Dutchman Contracting, LLC request for Payment in the amount of \$ 58,896.00 upon receipt of the Maintenance Bond and Certified Payroll, seconded by DS. Motion carried 3-0.

2. Motion made by DS to approve Reamstown Excavating, Inc. Payment request #2 in the amount of \$ 19864.75, seconded by AF. Motion carried 3-0.
3. Motion made by DS to release Escrow Account Balances for Joseph Zilinski. Driveway \$ 841.49 and Stormwater \$ 6910.75, seconded by AF. Motion carried 3-0.
4. Emergency Management Coordinator – The office is having difficulty contacting Cheri Keim, EMC. Solicitor will send a formal letter to Ms. Keim requesting the return of all Greenwich Township documents. The Township Secretary will contact Berks County to inquire about a possible referral for replacement in this position.
5. 911 Run Cards. V. Berger announced that Berks County has finalized the 911 run card map. The secretary will call for a copy of the finalized map. Motion was made by AF to appoint Dean Spohn to be in charge of the run cards, seconded by VB. Motion carried 3-0. Secretary will get necessary forms from the county and forward them to Dean.

REPORTS:

1. Road Master Report – Bobby Follweiler
 - a. Earl Osterstock, wanted to compliment the Road Crew on a great job on Bower Rd.
2. Zoning Officer/Engineer Report & UCC Building Permit Report – John Yoder, LTL Consultants
 - a. P. Eisenbrown reviewed both the Zoning and Engineering reports.
 - b. Dodie Sable asked for an explanation on reviewing of plans when special exemptions are required.
 - c. Marc Sable asked how many extensions have been granted on Crossroad's second plan. There have been two.
 - d. P. Eisenbrown when over Amendments needed on the fee schedule and SALDO. Motion made by AF to authorize Pete to review and modify and bring draft to the Board for approval. seconded by DS. Motion carried 3-0.
 - e. Motion made by AF to accept the Engineering reports, seconded by DS. Motion carried 3-0.
3. Solicitor – Alex Elliker – Nothing Further.

FINANCIAL MATTERS:

1. Motion made by AF and seconded by DS to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried 3-0.
2. Motion made by AF and seconded by DS to approve the Treasurers Report. Motion carried 3-0.
3. Motion made by AF to authorize the secretary to schedule and advertise a workshop, seconded by DS. Motion carried 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

1. Motion made by AF to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 pm, seconded by DS. Motion carried 3-0.
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Respectfully Submitted,
Jane Werley
Secretary/Treasurer