

**The Township of Greenwich  
Board of Supervisors Meeting  
Monday, March 5, 2018**

**Minutes**

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**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; Engineer, Pete Eisenbrown; Road Master, Bobby Follweiler; Secretary/ Treasurer, Jane Werley.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Chairman Victor Berger informed the audience to state their name and address if addressing the Board.
2. Chairman Victor Berger informed the audience that the meeting will be recorded and deleted once the meeting minutes are typed.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

1. Motion to approve the Minutes of the February 5, 2018 Board of Supervisors Meeting made by DS and seconded by AF. Motion carried 3-0.

**HEARING OF THE VISITORS:**

1. Caroline Krick – Subdivision. Mr. & Mrs. Krick requested a reaffirmation to the Krick Subdivision Plan in order to register the plan with Berks County because it was over the 90 day time limit. Motion made by AF and seconded by VB to reaffirm the plan and have the Board resign the plan as requested by Berks County. Motion carried 3-0. The original plan was signed by Supervisor Harry Hoppes a motion was made by AF and seconded by VB to have Dean Spohn reaffirm and sign the document as the current Supervisor. Motion carried 3-0.
2. Mike Millhouse, Service Electric. Requested Township approval to install a pole on the edge of the Township property in order to provide service to Speed 1 and other residents along Old Route 22. Board requested that Service Electric check with the State to inquire about placing the pole on the other side of Old Route 22. Mr. Millhouse will get an answer on the Boards request and report back his findings.
3. Dodie Sable. Requested an update concerning her email to Dan Becker and her request for a SALDO Clarification and ICC. Alex explained that the solicitor's office had information for her at the February BOS meeting, however Dodie was unable to attend that meeting. After a short discussion it was decided that Dodie will resend her request to the Solicitor and the Board.
4. Jeramiah Light. Concerned about the water being pumped onto Rhoades Road from a resident's property. Mr. Light stated the amount of water is causing a road hazard with flooding and in cold weather icy patches on the roadway. Township Engineer, Pete Eisenbrown will schedule a site visit and get back to the Board with a recommendation.

**PLANS TO REVIEW:** No new plans to review.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. PennDOT Land Acquisition. Solicitor had negotiations with PennDOT and PennDOT held firm on their original offer for the Township land acquisition. PennDOT offered an option to the Board to have their own resurvey and appraisal of the property done, however they felt the original offer

was fair. Our Township Solicitor agreed the offer is a fair agreement to execute. Motion made by AF to execute the offer and sign the necessary documents. Seconded by DS. Motion carried 3-0. Board signed the documents and Solicitor Alex Elliker will submit documents to Lindsay Allen.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. PA Department of Transportation, Mowing Contract. Contract between PA Dept. of Transportation and Greenwich Township to maintain mowing on State Road, Old Route 22. Contract is for three (3) years and will cover township line to township line. Road Master, Bobby Follweiler reviewed the contract and gave his recommendation for the Board to approve and sign. Motion made by DS to accept and sign said contract. Seconded by AF. Motion carried 3-0.
2. Documents from Great Valley Consultants and Berks County Conservation updating the progress on the Kohlers Hill Rd. and Donats Rd. culvert replacement. Board reviewed updated information.
3. Letter from Loretta Lansing concerning her experience with the EMS service she received. Board reviewed letter.
  - a. Linda Wood asked if the EMS map was finalized at the February 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. VB explained that it was approved by the BOS and now is at the County level.
  - b. Victor Berger stated that he also had a personal experience with EMS concerning a family member that he felt was not handled as well as it could have been.
4. Virginville Fire Company announced that they will now be submitting monthly reports to the BOS. Board reviewed the report.

#### **REPORTS:**

1. EMC – Cheri Keim – Nothing new to report
2. Roadmaster – Bobby Follweiler
  - a. Received a letter from PennDOT stating that the Township will be responsible for maintaining Zettlemyer, Snowmobile and Rauch Roads. Bobby explained that the Township had contacted PennDOT on several occasions informing them that the Township has major concerns in regard to these roads. The new design of the road is a hazard that PennDOT created and needs to be addressed. A meeting was requested to discuss these concerns. Our local representative Charles Paris also sent letters out. No response was ever received acknowledging these concerns. Although these concerns were not addressed and the Township was never formally asked to maintain these roads the State wants the Township to be responsible to maintain them. After discussion it was decided that the Solicitor's office will compose a letter to PennDOT and copy both Charles Paris and John Davis requesting a meeting to discuss the matter.
  - b. Seal Coat and Aggregate/Blacktop Bids. Motion made by AF to advertise bids in the Reading Eagle and have bids awarded at 7:00 at the April 2, 2018 BOS meeting. Seconded by DS. Motion carried 3-0.
  - c. Plans to start paving, finishing up trimming and down trees.
3. Zoning Officer/Engineer Report & UCC Building Permit Report – Pete Eisenbrown, LTL Consultants
  - a. Motion made by AF to authorize LTL to bid the Salt Shed project. Seconded by VB. Motion carried 3-0. LTL will handle both advertising and bid packets. There will be a bid opening on March 29, 2018 at 10:00 am.
  - b. Motion made by DS to close out Filino Winery's Letter of credit less the maintenance fee of 15% for 18 months which would amount to \$53,820. as outlined in the Subdivision Improvements and Maintenance Agreement associated with this project. Seconded by AF. Motion carried 3-0.

- c. Letter sent to Joe Sells was returned for lack of receptacle. LTL will hand deliver the letter and post it to Mr. Sells door.
- d. Motion made by AF and seconded by DS to approve both reports presented by LTL. Motion carried 3-0.

4. Solicitor – Alex Elliker

- a. Requested Kozloff Stoudt and LTL Consultants be permitted to attend the Zoning Hearing being held on March 28, 2018. Motion made by DS to approve the attendance of Kozloff Stoudt and LTL Consultants at the March 28, 2018 Zoning Hearing. Seconded by AF. Motion carried 3-0.
- b. Sky Hollow Drive. Regarding resident complaints about flooding coming from this private road. Solicitor drafted a letter to all homeowners and property owners with access to Sky Hollow Drive. Final letter will be mailed to all and also to PennDOT.
- c. Motion made by AF to approve the solicitor’s report. Seconded by DS. Motion carried 3-0.

**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 as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

Fred German stated that he had heard his name was mentioned at the last meeting and wanted an explanation. Alex Elliker read the meeting minutes from the February 5, 2018 BOS meeting where there was discussion and comment made by Solicitor Dan Becker in regards to Fred German’s private investigation into the benefits of Victor Berger.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

1. Motion made by AF to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 pm. Seconded by DS. Motion carried 3-0.
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Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Werley  
Secretary/Treasurer