

EPHRATA TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS' MEETING

August 16, 2016

The Ephrata Township Supervisors met this date at 7:00 a.m. at the Ephrata Township Office Building, 265 Akron Rd., Ephrata, Pennsylvania.

Present were Supervisors: Clark Stauffer
Ty Zerbe
Manager: Steve Sawyer
Solicitor: Charles Sheidy
Engineer: Jim Caldwell
Bookkeeper: Linda Boyer

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clark Stauffer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS NON-AGENDA ITEMS

A motion to close the public comment period was made by Ty Zerbe. The motion was seconded by Clark Stauffer and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ty Zerbe to dispense with the reading of the August 2, 2016 Supervisors' Minutes and to approve them as presented. The motion was seconded by Clark Stauffer and carried unanimously.

515 NORTH READING ROAD – REVISED FINAL PLAN

Ed Ostroski from Harbor Engineering and property owner Scott Cover explained the proposed project to the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Cover is proposing a 10,000 square foot addition to the existing building currently occupied by Farmstead Gourmet. The addition will be used for storage and will not increase the demand for parking on the site. The project will only add approximately 5,000 square feet of new impervious area since a portion of the addition will be built where it is currently macadam. Rettew Associates researched the existing basin to be sure that the basin can adequately handle the additional storm water.

A motion was made by Ty Zerbe to approve the revised final plan conditioned upon Rettew Associates verifying that fencing is not required around the detention basin, a note being added to the plan identifying features on the plan that are not installed or no longer exist and subject to the applicant adequately addressing the comments contained in the Township Engineer's letter dated August 12, 2016. The motion was seconded by Clark Stauffer and carried unanimously.

AUTUMN HILLS STREET DEDICATION

A motion was made by Ty Zerbe to approve a Resolution accepting dedication of the streets in Phase 1 and 2 of Autumn Hills and authorizing the signing of the deeds and the maintenance guarantee agreement. The motion was seconded by Clark Stauffer and carried unanimously.

APPOINTING OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY

Attorney Sheidy informed the board that it would be in their best interest to assign both an Assistant Secretary and an Assistant Treasurer.

A motion was made by Ty Zerbe to appoint Steve Sawyer as Assistant Secretary. The motion was seconded by Clark Stauffer and carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

Manager Steve Sawyer

- **Ephrata Public Library Information.**
The Board was given a copy of information provided to the Township by the Ephrata Public Library. Ty Zerbe explained that there have been two meetings between the library and the municipalities in the Ephrata Area School District. The information was requested by the municipal representatives at these meetings. No action is needed at this time. A library representative will be at the next meeting on September 6, 2016.
- **Fall Field Reservation Request – Ephrata Baseball Association.**
A motion was made by Ty Zerbe to approve the Application for Use of the Recreational Fields as presented by the Ephrata Baseball Association. The motion was seconded by Clark Stauffer and carried unanimously.
- **Request for “Deaf Child Area” signs-220 Akron Road.**
Ephrata Township received a request from Melinda Hoover for “Deaf Child Area” signage along Akron Road. Mrs. Hoover has an eleven year old son who is deaf and recently purchased the property located at 220 Akron Road. Manager Sawyer recommended that the Board authorize the installation of two “Deaf Child Area” signs on Akron Road.

Ty Zerbe made a motion to authorize the installation of the signs as recommended. The motion was seconded by Clark Stauffer and carried unanimously.

Solicitor Charles Sheidy

Attorney Sheidy discussed his *Solicitor's Report* with the Board of Supervisors; it is on file in the Township Office.

- **Delinquent Street Light.** Charlie Sheidy provided the Board of Supervisors with a listing of each delinquent street light customer and provided a brief summary.

Engineer – Jim Caldwell - reported that Rettew Associates has worked on the following plans and projects over the past month:

Autumn Hills Street Dedication, MS4 Program, Autumn Hills – Chesapeake Bay Project, 515 North Reading Road Revised Final Plan, Diane Fichthorn Financial Security Release, Evangel Assembly of God Final Land Development Plan and the ALDI Traffic Impact Assessment.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

A motion was made by Ty Zerbe to accept the list of checks written and to pay any bills pending. The motion was seconded by Clark Stauffer and carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Manager Sawyer reported that there was no additional correspondence to report at this time.

A motion was made by Ty Zerbe to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 a.m. The motion was seconded by Clark Stauffer and carried unanimously.

Clark R. Stauffer

John L. Weber

J. Tyler Zerbe