

MINUTES
BETHEL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
JULY 13, 2023

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Bethel Township Board of Supervisors was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Bethel Township Building, 3015 S. Pine Grove Street, Fredericksburg, Pa with the following people present;

Shawn Hernley	Supervisor
Bruce Light	Supervisor
Richard Rudy	Supervisor
Melissa Johnson	Township Manager
John Enck	Township Solicitor
Matt Mack	Township Engineer

Approximately nine (9) audience members were in attendance.

The Call to Order was made and the Pledge to the Flag was completed.

COMMENTS – James Shotzberger commented on the Met-Ed invoice for the school street lights.

MINUTES - Bruce Light made a motion to approve the June 8, 2023 minutes as presented. Seconded by Richard Rudy. The motion carried.

ROADMASTER REPORT - Supervisors Light read the report as presented.

2005 International 7400 Dump Truck Bid - Richard Rudy made a motion to accept the highest bid of \$33,100.00 from Bobby Gearhart's Truck World for the 2005 International 7400 Dump Truck. Seconded by Shawn Hernley. All voted in favor.

ENGINEERS BUSINESS - Engineer Mack reported on the following:

Arlin & Stacy Zimmerman Land Development Plan Waiver Requests - No action.

Treeline Ave Pipe Replacement Update - A GP11 permit is not required, the project qualifies for a waiver. The agreements for the temporary and permanent easements will need to be prepared by the solicitor. Engineer Mack will prepare the bid packets.

Intersection of Mountain Drive and Camp Strause Road - Shawn Hernley made a motion to accept the quote from RETTEW for \$4,000.00 for a traffic study at the intersection of Mountain Drive and Camp Strause Road. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Family Harvest Mennonite Church Time Extension Request - No action. Stormwater plans do not require a grant of time.

Cold Spring Rentals, LLC - Time Extension and Waiver Requests - Richard Rudy made a motion to accept the time extension of September 15, 2023. Seconded by Shawn Hernley. All voted in favor.

Waivers Requests:

§22-512.3(a)(c): Street Lighting

Shawn Hernley made a motion to grant waiver request §22-512.3(a)(c) - Street Lighting. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

§22-510.b chart: Right of Way - Requires a 50' right of way, a 20-foot wide cartway is required, as well as a 4-foot wide improved shoulder or 24' cartway if curb provided

Richard Rudy made a motion to grant waiver request §22-510.b chart - Right of Way - Requires a 50' right of way, a 20-foot wide cartway is required, as well as a 4-foot wide improved shoulder or 24' cartway if curb provided, for Strawberry Street. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

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§22-510(11)(1): Street Improvements

Bruce Light made a motion to grant waiver request §22-510(11)(1) - Street Improvements, for Strawberry Street. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

Lowell Nolt Ag Operation Waiver Request - Richard Rudy made a motion to grant waiver request §22-304 & §22-305 - Major Land Development Plan. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Northern Lebanon School District – High School Renovations Waiver Requests –

§22-304 & §22-305: Separate Preliminary and Final Plan Submission

Shawn Hernley made a motion to grant waiver request §22-304 & §22-305 - Separate Preliminary and Final Plan Submission. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

§22-403.C.(2) & §22-403.C.(3): Additional Topography and Natural Features within 100 feet of the Property Line

Bruce Light made a motion to grant waiver request §22-403.C.(2) & §22-403.C.(3) - Additional Topography and Natural Features within 100 feet of the Property Line. Seconded by Shawn Hernley. All voted in favor.

SOLICITOR BUSINESS - Solicitor Enck reported on the following:

Comcast Franchise Proposal - No new information.

Zoning Ordinance Review Update - Pending the Planning Commissions review and comments to Solicitor Enck's correspondence.

Roberta Hamer 2014 Letter of Credit \$8,245.20 GSLB, LLC - Shirksville Road Subdivision – Discussion was held and the township zoning officer will be asked to reach out to the current land owners. The township may have to withdraw the \$8,245.20.

Proposed Driveway Ordinance - Discussion was held and a new draft will be prepared and circulated for review.

Draft Grant Agreement with Fire Companies – Bruce Light made a motion to enter into the Grant Agreement with the Mt. Zion Fire Company and the Fredericksburg Fire Company No. 1 and authorize the township to sign the agreements after the fire companies sign. Seconded by Shawn Hernley. All voted in favor.

Paul and Susan Quanbeck Final Land Development Plan – Bruce Light made a motion to enter into the Land Development Improvements agreement with Paul and Susan Quanbeck. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

Richard Rudy made a motion to enter into the Stormwater Management Declaration of Easement with Paul and Susan Quanbeck. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Shawn Hernley made a motion to remove the conditions and allow the Supervisors to sign the approved plan and have it recorded. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Hoover/Brubaker Subdivision Time Extension Request September 19, 2023 - Richard Rudy made a motion to amend the July 13, 2023 Agenda to add the Hoover/Brubaker Subdivision September 19, 2023 Time Extension Request as an item of business, due to the time extension request only being submitted to the township office after the legal time for the agenda to be posted on the township website and municipal building. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Tim Showers commented.

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Richard Rudy made a motion to accept the time extension of September 19, 2023. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

RECREATION REPORT

Bounce House Quote \$795.00 - Kids Fall Fun Day – Bruce Light made a motion to approve the bounce house quote of \$795.00 from JRE Bounce Co. for the Fall Fun Day event on September 9, 2023. Seconded by Shawn Hernley. All voted in favor.

FSWA REPORT - None.

FINANCIAL REPORT - Richard Rudy made a motion to approve the Financial Report as presented in the meeting packet, subject to audit. Seconded by Shawn Hernley. All voted in favor.

BILLS PAYABLE - Shawn Hernley made a motion to approve the Bills Payable as presented in the meeting packet. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

OLD BUSINESS - None.

NEW BUSINESS

Jay Bicksler .50¢ Wage Increase - Richard Rudy made a motion to approve Jay Bicksler receiving a .50¢ an hour wage increase, effective July 17, 2023, for obtaining his Public Pesticide Applicator License. Seconded by Shawn Hernley. All voted in favor.

Traffic Signal Plans/Pre-Emption Device - Rte 22 and Legionaire Drive - Authorization to Sign - Shawn Hernley made a motion to authorize the township to sign the Traffic Signal Plans for the pre-emption device on the traffic signal at Rte 22 and Legionaire Drive. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

Chad Smith Agenda Request – Permission to Close Airport Road 7/24/23 through approx. 8/11/23 - Richard Rudy made a motion to approve the request to close Airport Road July 24, 2023 through approximately August 11, 2023, on the condition that they contact the Department of Emergency Service daily and have the proper signage. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Evelyn Spangler and James Shotzberger commented.

Maintenance Garage Furnace Quotes - Shawn Hernley made a motion to accept the lowest quote from K&B Heating, Cooling & Plumbing, LLC for \$10,250.00 to replace the garage furnace. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Fredericksburg Fire Police Special Duty Request – Hinkelfest 9/15/23 – 9/17/23 – Shawn Hernley made a motion to approve the Fredericksburg Fire Police Special Duty Request for the Hinkelfest September 15, 2023 – September 17, 2023. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

The participating Fire Police Organizations are the Fredericksburg Fire Police, Mt. Zion Fire Police, Bunker Hill Fire Police and the NLFES Fire Police

Announcement – Supervisor Hernley announced that the new LED sign at the municipal building has been installed and Supervisor Rudy announced the Shirksville Road bridge is now open to the public.

ADJOURNMENT - With no further business, Richard Rudy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m. Seconded by Bruce Light. The motion carried.

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Respectfully Submitted,

**Melissa Johnson
Secretary**