

MINUTES
BETHEL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
JUNE 13, 2024

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;

Bruce Light	Supervisor
Richard Rudy	Supervisor
Michael Saphore	Supervisor
Melissa Johnson	Township Manager
Andrew Morrow	Township Solicitor
Matthew Mack	Township Engineer

Nine (9) audience members were present.

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

COMMENTS – Lisa Rudy announced that the Fredericksburg Fire Co #1 in conjunction with the Fredericksburg Community Association is sponsoring “Surviving an Active Shooter” Seminar presented by Sgt. Anthony Clements of the Derry Twp Police Department on June 18, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES - Bruce Light made a motion to approve the May 8, 2024 meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

ROADMASTER REPORT – Roadmaster Saphore gave the report.

36” Foldable Stop Signs at the Traffic Lights – The Township received an e-mail from Rettew stating we are allowed to install the foldable stop stops at the traffic lights but we must make sure they are continually checked to make sure they are not unfolded unnecessarily, causing confusion with conflicting traffic control.

All Traffic Solutions – Traffic Management Solutions – Bruce Light made a motion to approve the purchase of the Shield Radar Speed Sign for approximately \$5,600.00, as long as there are funds in the budget. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Center Street and Elm Street Repairs – Discussion was held on the three options provided by Engineer Mack to repair the draining along Elm Street.

Mike Saphore made a motion to approve Option #3, prepared by Engineer Mack, to repair the drainage problem along Elm Street. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Engineer Mack and Supervisor Saphore met with representatives from Free Bird and they agreed to install an apron at their driveway entrance to help with the water laying on Center Street.

Asphalt Zipper – A video demonstration was played and Supervisor Saphore provided information on how it works. The township will continue looking into the possible purchase.

ENGINEERS BUSINESS – Engineer Mack reported on the following:

Randy Martin Implement Shed Stormwater Management Plan Approval - Pending.

Christ Lantz Stormwater Plan Approval - Pending.

Chestnut Hill and Blue Mtn Road, NPDES Signature Request and DEP - Municipal Notification of Planned Land Development for Chapter 102 Permits - Pending, redesign of the intersection due to the additional parcel that was purchased.

Matthew Balmer Ag Operation Plan Approval or Time Extension Request – Michael Saphore made a motion to accept the time extension of August 8, 2024. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

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Wayne Zimmerman Minor Annexation Plan Planning Waiver and Non-Building Declaration, Plan Approval or Time Extension Request – Bruce Light made a motion to approve the Planning Waiver and Non-Building Declaration as presented. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Michael Saphore made a motion to approve the plan as presented. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Michael and Jocelyn Marlowe Stormwater Plan Waiver Request and Plan Approval - Michael Saphore made a motion to grant waiver request §23-115.5 – Pipe Size. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Bruce Light made a motion to enter into the Stormwater Management Agreement with Michael and Jocelyn Marlowe. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Bruce Light made a motion to approve the Stormwater Plan as presented. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Donnie Zabinski Commercial Operation Time Extension Request – Michael Saphore made a motion to accept the time extension request of December 31, 2024. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Bruce Light made a motion to approve Engineer Mack sending the required stormwater consistency letter and an acceptance letter for the Site Access Traffic Assessment to the state. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Bell and Evans Time Extension Request – Bruce Light made a motion to accept the time extension request of September 20, 2024. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

SOLICITOR BUSINESS - Solicitor Morrow reported on the following:

Treeline Ave Pipe Replacement – The Release of Mortgage were recorded and now are complete.

Zoning Ordinance Review Update - Pending, the township zoning officer completing the revisions.

Township Line Drive - Agreement with Swatara Township – The agreements were fully executed and are now complete. PennDOT will need to update the liquid fuels maps.

Lebanon County Bulletin - Legal Advertisement – Pending.

Draft Conditional Use Application for Solar Farms – Discussion was held on the draft Condition Use Application that was submitted for the Parcel North of Rte 22 and Parcel South of Rte 22 and Solicitor's Morrow's responses and communication with the applicant's attorney.

The Board agreed that Attorney Morrow can continue to communicate with the township engineer and township zoning officer on the Draft Conditional Use Applications for Parcel North of Rte 22 and Parcel South of Rte 22.

Camp Strause Road over Monroe Creek Bridge Superstructure Replacement Project – James Wilson and Wayne Klinger reached out to Solicitor Morrow regarding the roadway being 33' wide. Solicitor Morrow determine that yes, the statute applies and the roadway is 33'.

RECREATION REPORT – Melissa Johnson gave a brief report.

Recreation Board Member to Fill Vacancy – Samatha Acri – Michael Saphore made a motion to appoint Samanth Acri to the vacancy on the Park and Recreation Board. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

Purchase of a Tot Seat Swing and an Accessible Seat Swing \$1,999.00 – Bruce Light made a motion to approve the purchase of a tot seat swing and an accessible seat swing for \$1,999.00. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

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FSWA REPORT – Chairman Rudy read the emailed report as submitted by the Fredericksburg Sewer and Water Authority.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Bruce Light made a motion to approve the Financial Report as presented in the meeting packet, subject to audit. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

BILLS PAYABLE – Michael Saphore made a motion to approve the Bills Payable as presented in the meeting packet. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

No Parking Signage for Snow Removal – Pending, still working on.

Fire Company and Fire Police Special Duty Request/Authorization Form – Pending, will be reviewed and defined.

Act 172 – Volunteer Fire Tax Credit – Discussion was held and the township will do some research how the tax credit will affect the township monetarily.

PA State Contract – Purchase of 2024 Tiger WildKat Model ARRT-60D Rotary Head, \$24,968.48 – Micheal Saphore made a motion to approve the purchase of the 2024 Tiger WildKat Model ARRT-60D, Rotary Head for \$24,968.48 through the PA State Contract. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Bell and Evans Agenda Request – Discuss Alternate Internal Traffic Pattern for Facility at 2929 S.R. 22 – Alex Kinzey, Steckbeck Engineering and Mike Bracrella, Bell and Evans were present to discuss the request of a waiver of land development in lieu of a Stormwater Plan.

The waiver request needs to be submitted in writing to the Planning Commission Board for their recommendation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – The regularly scheduled meeting was adjourned to hold an executive session from 8:50 p.m. until 9:25 p.m. regarding personnel matters regarding policy and procedures. Supervisors Richard Rudy, Michael Saphore and Bruce Light attended along with Solicitor Morrow.

ADJOURNMENT - With no further business, Bruce Light made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Melissa Johnson
Secretary**