

**MINUTES
BETHEL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MAY 9, 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	Not in Attendance
Melissa Johnson	Township Manager
Andrew Morrow	Township Solicitor
Matthew Mack	Township Engineer

Three (3) audience members were present.

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

ANNOUNCEMENT - An executive session was held on April 18, 2024 from 9:30 a.m. until 11:50 a.m. to discuss personnel issues regarding policy issues and performance. Supervisors Rudy, Light and Saphore were in attendance.

COMMENTS - None.

MINUTES - Bruce Light made a motion to approve the April 11, 2024 and the April 18, 2024 minutes as presented. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

ROADMASTER REPORT – Melissa Johnson read the report as submitted.

36” Foldable Stop Signs at the Traffic Lights – Bruce Light made a motion to authorize Su Phillips from Rettew to update the current signal plans to include the stop signs as recommended by PennDOT. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

All Traffic Solutions – Pending, Engineer Mack will contact PennDOT.

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.

Hoover/Brubaker Subdivision Waiver Requests –

§22-510.B and §22-510.C(10)(b): Street Improvements

Bruce Light made a motion grant waiver request §22-510.B and §22-510.C(10)(b) - Street Improvements. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

§22-512: Curbs and Sidewalks

Bruce Light made a motion to grant waiver request §22-512 - Curbs and Sidewalks. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

§23-113.5: Stormwater Pipe Size

Bruce Light made a motion to grant waiver request §23-113.5 - Stormwater Pipe Size, to be 6”. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

**MINUTES
BETHEL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MAY 9, 2024**

Matthew Balmer Ag Operation Waiver Request –

§22-503.2.C.(1): Landscaper Buffer

Bruce Light made a motion to grant waiver request §22-503.2.C.(1) - Landscaper Buffer. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

Wayne Zimmerman Minor Annexation Plan Waiver Requests –

§22-510.B (chart): Minimum Street Standard

Bruce Light made a motion to grant waiver request §22-510.B (chart) - Minimum Street Standard. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

§22-510.C.(10(a)): Supplementary Street Standards

Richard Rudy made a motion to grant waiver request §22-510.C.(10(a)) - Supplementary Street Standards. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Township Driveway Ordinance

Bruce Light made a motion to grant the waiver request of the Township Driveway Ordinance. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

Donnie Zabinski Commercial Operation Time Extension Request - Bruce Light made a motion to accept the waiver request of December 31, 2024. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

SOLICITOR BUSINESS - Solicitor Morrow reported on the following:

Treeline Ave Pipe Replacement – All necessary documents were recorded. Solicitor Morrow will prepare the Release of Mortgage document for the Martins and the Hitzs.

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

Spruce Ave and a portion of Beech Ave - Elvin and Sharon Shilling - Elvin Shilling stated he cannot meet the conditions of the letter, so he is withdrawing his request to the township for the dedication of Spruce Ave and a portion of Beech Ave and he will pay the taxes and keep the road.

Discussion was held on Mr. Shilling stating Solicitor Enck was in possession of his as-built as much as a year ago. Attorney Morrow will reach out to Solicitor Enck inquiring if that statement was true or not.

Township Line Drive - Agreement with Swatara Township – Swatara Township will consider acceptance of the agreement at their meeting tonight.

Lebanon County Bulletin - Legal Advertisement – Pending, Solicitor Morrow will be meeting with Jake Keiter on Thursday, May 16, 2024.

Conditional Use Applicants for Solar Farms – Solicitor Morrow will email the applicant to submit a draft application with a 60-day review period for the township. The applicant will submit a final application on the 61st day.

RECREATION REPORT - Julie Keiter, Secretary for the Park and Recreation Board gave the report.

**MINUTES
BETHEL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MAY 9, 2024**

FSWA REPORT

Board Member - Randall Sattazahn – Richard Rudy made a motion to appoint Randall Sattazahn to the Fredericksburg Sewer and Water authority to fill the vacancy on the Board. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

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

BILLS PAYABLE – Richard Rudy 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.

NEW BUSINESS

Shawn Hernley Wage Increase – Richard Rudy made a motion to approve the wage increase of .50¢/hr. for Shawn Hernley, effective Monday, May 13, 2024. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Resolution 050424 – Uniform (Police) Pension Plan Termination – Bruce Light made a motion to adopt Resolution 050424 – Uniform (Police) Pension Plan Termination. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

Fredericksburg Eagle Hotel – Request to Close Center Street June 22, 2024 from 9 am – 9 pm and Requesting use of Township Road Closure Signs and Blockades – Richard Rudy made a motion to approve the request to close Center Street on June 22, 2024 from 9 am until 9 pm and the use of township road closure signs and blockades. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Purchase Order – Purchasing Amount – Richard Rudy made a motion to increase the need for a purchase order from \$100.00 to \$200.00. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Mt. Zion Fire Company Special Fire Police Application – Leroy Gehman – Richard Rudy made a motion to approve the Special Fire Police Application from Leroy Cedric Gehman for the Mt. Zion Fire Company. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

ADJOURNMENT - With no further business, Bruce Light made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Melissa Johnson
Secretary**