FERGUSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Regular Meeting Monday, June 20, 2016 7:00 pm

I. ATTENDANCE

The Board of Supervisors held its second regular meeting of the month on Monday, June 20, 2016 at the Ferguson Township Municipal Building. In attendance were:

Board:	Steve Miller Peter Buckland Rita Graef Laura Dininni	Staff:	Mark Kunkle, Township Manager David Pribulka, Assistant Township Manager Dave Modricker, Director of Public Works Ray Stolinas, Director of Planning & Zoning
	Janet Whitaker		Diane Conrad, Chief of Police Ron Seybert, Township Engineer
			Angela Kalke, Executive Assistant

Others in attendance included: Jennifer Money, Jill Wood and John Sepp.

II. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Miller called the Monday, June 20, 2016, regular meeting to order at 7:00pm. He announced that The BOS had an Executive Session at 6:15pm, before this BOS meeting, regarding litigation.

III. INTRODUCTION OF POLICE OFFICER RYAN PLUNKETT

Chief Diane Conrad introduced Police Officer Ryan Plunkett, and reviewed his accomplishments.

IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS – ORDINANCES

1. A PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FERGUSON, CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES AS FOLLOWS: (1) CHAPTER 15, TRAFFIC REGULATIONS, SECTION 201, MAXIMUM SPEED LIMITS, SETTING A MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT OF 25 MILES PER HOUR FOR WEST COLLEGE AVENUE (SR 0026) BETWEEN CORL STREET AND THE STATE COLLEGE BOROUGH LINE AND (2) THERE BY ELIMINATING OR SUPERCEDING THE MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT OF 35 MILES PER HOUR FOR THAT SAME SECTION OR PORTION OF WEST COLLEGE AVENUE.

Mr. Kunkle stated, that PADOT's Traffic Engineer from District 2-0 had provided a letter advising that an engineering study had been completed approving a speed limit reduction along Route 26 between Buckhout Street and Corl Street from 35 miles per hour to 25 miles per hour. Staff recommended that the Board of Supervisors adopt the Ordinance.

Ms. Graef moved to adopt Ordinance 1019 amending Chapter 15, Traffic Regulations, Section 201, by setting a maximum speed limit of 25 miles per hour for West College Avenue between Corl Street and the State College Borough Line. Mr. Buckland seconded the motion.

Ms. Dininni advised the Board that a citizen forwarded a compliment to the Board in regards to the reduction of the speed limit and advocated for there not to be the removal of a turning lane, during future developments of the Terraced Streetscape District.

ROLL-CALL VOTE: Mr. Buckland: YES; Ms. Dininni: YES; Ms. Graef: YES; Mr. Miller: YES; Ms. Whitaker: YES

V. PUBLIC HEARINGS – RESOLUTIONS

1. A PUBLIC HEARING ON A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FERGUSON, CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, CERTIFYING PROVISION OF LOCAL MATCH FOR STATE OPERATING AND CAPITAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE CENTRE AREA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AND REPEALING RESOLUTION 2015-20.

Mr. Kunkle stated that the resolution established the Township's contribution to the Centre Area Transportation Authority for operating funds in the amount of \$99,012 and capital funding in the amount of \$26,893 for the Centre Area Transportation Authority fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

<u>Ms. Graef moved to adopt the Resolution 2016-21 certifying provision of local match for state</u> operating and capital financial assistance to the Centre Area Transportation Authority for fiscal year July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. Ms. Whitaker seconded the motion.

ROLL-CALL VOTE: Ms. Dininni: YES; Ms. Graef: YES; Mr. Miller: YES; Ms. Whitaker: YES; Mr. Buckland: YES

2. A PUBLIC HEARING ON A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FERGUSON. CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS то EXECUTE A REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT, AGREEMENT NUMBER 2015GLG013, WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR UPGRADING AND INSTALLATION OF EQUIPMENT REQUIRED TO PROVIDE FULL PEDESTRIAN ACCOMODATIONS, INSTALLATION OF PEDESTRIAN PUSH BUTTONS. PEDESTRIAN SIGNALS, CURB RAMPS, LIGHTING AND CONTROL ASSEMBLY AT THE INTERESECTION OF WEST COLLEGE AVENUE AND CORL STREET.

Mr. Modricker stated that staff received a grant from Green Light Go to allow for complete traffic signal improvements and handicapped accessibility at the intersection of West College Avenue and Corl Street. This project will connect to the West College Avenue Streetscape Project. The updates would include ADA accessibility, push-buttons, and LED signal heads would be installed.

<u>Ms. Whitaker moved to adopt the Resolution 2016-22 authorizing the Chairman and Secretary</u> to execute a Green Light Go grant reimbursement agreement for traffic signal and handicapped accessibility improvements at the intersection of West College Avenue and Corl Street. Mr. Buckland seconded the motion.</u>

Ms. Dininni asked Mr. Modricker the philosophy behind putting a pedestrian infrastructure along this specific traffic corridor where the air quality is a lot lower and there is a high amount of traffic, rather than another corridor that is more walkable. Mr. Buckland stated that he sometimes he has to walk on the corridor. Mr. Modricker reminded the Board that many years ago there was a plan in place that showed West College Avenue as a 5-lane road, which then turned to a plan for road diets and smaller cartways, which then turned to walkability and TSD. From a staff perspective, pedestrian issues and connectivity tend to be of higher concern, so it makes sense that if we could not bring it up to standards, and grant money is available, we would try and get the pedestrian connectivity. Ms. Dininni added that the road is currently

viewed as connectivity from the west, and that if we wanted to preserve the walkability of the corridor, alternative access to the western part of the township should be considered.

ROLL-CALL VOTE: Ms. Graef: YES; Mr. Miller: YES; Ms. Whitaker: YES; Mr. Buckland: YES; Ms. Dininni: YES

I. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

Ms. Dininni thanked Steve Jackson, a Ferguson Township representative to the SCBWA for providing detailed notes from their recent meeting. She added that the Planning Commission made a motion at their most recent meeting to have a farmer and a representative from the SCBWA on the working group for the sourcewater protection ordinance draft. Mr. Miller suggested adding it as a discussion item. <u>Ms. Dininni motioned to add the discussion to this agenda as a discussion item. Mr. Buckland seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.</u>

II. ACTION ITEMS

1. DISCUSSION OF STORMWATER MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Mr. Miller suggested that board members interested in amending the stormwater ordinance make specific amendments and then the Board will discuss each individually. Ms. Graef asked whether the stormwater ordinance that was discussed at the last meeting had been passed. Mr. Miller advised yes, and that there would be essentially a new ordinance amendment process if the board were interested. Mr. Buckland advised that he had met with several individuals with extensive knowledge on the ordinance itself. He does not currently have an amendment to propose but he may in the future.

Ms. Whitaker stated that she is struggling with the lack of evidence and support behind the required distance, and what the benefit to the community even is. She points out that other communities don't have this requirement. <u>Ms. Whitaker made a motion to amend the current Stormwater Ordinance by eliminating the section of the ordinance that requires a certain distance be placed between a geologic feature and a stormwater facility. No second.</u>

Ms. Dininni motioned to consider changing the footage from 50 feet away from a geologic feature to 200 feet. Mr. Miller seconded the motion.

Ms. Dininni advised that experts have provided testimony and recommended 200 feet. She asked for clarification on why the Board is not listening to John Lichman and the other members of the water authority, as well as the citizens, who have repeatedly advised that a 200-foot setback is preferred. Mr. Miller replied that the extent of the Zone 2 wellhead recharge area in the township is quite large, and that he believes this will affect a lot more properties in the township than just the large scale developments. He showed concern that this would limit where any building, that would require an infiltration system, could be built. He's worried that this will create many unbuildable lots with no indication that it will scientifically improve or protect the quality of water. Ms. Whitaker added that she has not seen credible scientific evidence to support a distance limitation between a stormwater facility and a geologic fault. She advised that she is a proponent of planned development, and that there cannot be a prediction of what can happen in the future. We should not set a precedent for future generations that restricts development without scientific evidence. We should trust our engineers and experts who review plans. Ms. Graef advised that she would not support amending the ordinance at this time. The township has an ordinance in place that is stricter than many of our regional partners, and that we have a sourcewater protection overlay in place that will hopefully work in concert with the stormwater ordinance. She believed that once the sourcewater protection overlay is in place the board should revisit the ordinance and determine what changes should be made if any. Mr. Buckland advised that, based on his conversations with Scott Brown the ordinance allows for

the developer to appeal to the township engineer if they want to add a stormwater facility within the prohibited distance, provided they can demonstrate that they can mitigate the risk. He added that he has still been unable to determine why the number is 200 feet? He added that he will discuss the recommended distance with John Lichman before he can support an increase to 200 feet. He stated at this time, he would not vote for a 200-feet setback. The motion to amend the ordinance failed 4 to 1.

2. DISCUSSION OF REVISED DOMESTIC CHICKEN ORDINANCE – RAY STOLINAS, PLANNING AND ZONING DIRECTOR

Mr. Stolinas stated that following the June 6th Board meeting, staff had revised the proposed ordinance based on the Board's discussions. Clarification of the permitted location of the structures related to backyard chickens include prohibiting chickens and related structures from the front yard of a lot. Additionally, chickens and related structures may not be placed or built within 10-feet of the side or rear property lines. Further the minimum chicken coop size requires 3 square feet per chicken hen with a maximum structure area of 144 square feet. Mr. Stolinas reviewed the specific changes that were made to the Ordinance. One being to use the term 'domestic' chickens rather than 'backyard' chickens, to limit confusion on where the chickens can be located. Mr. Stolinas also reviewed a drawing that outlined where on the property the chicken structures would be allowed.

Mr. Buckland moved that the Board approve for advertisement for public hearing the revised Backyard Chicken Ordinance as an amendment to the Township's Zoning Ordinance. Ms. Graef seconded the motion.

Ms. Money asked for clarification on the 10-feet and 30-feet building setback. Mr. Stolinas replied that for the purpose of the Domestic Chicken Ordinance, a special setback was made for coop facilities, which is 10-feet from the rear and from the side.

Ms. Dininni asked if access to pastor during daylight hours is a suggestion or requirement. Mr. Stolinas replied that it is a suggestion.

Ms. Dininni asked if the Planning Commission recommended that slaughtering of chickens in residential areas should not be allowed in the ordinance. Mr. Stolinas confirmed that, that is correct. Ms. Dininni showed concern as to why it is still in the ordinance. Mr. Stolinas replied that he provided their concerns in the memo.

Ms. Dininni stated she did some research on keeping chickens in residential areas. She found a publication dated May 2015, called Developing Regulations for Keeping Urban Chickens. She believes that this publication solidifies concerns that she has shown at previous meetings. The publication stated that chickens don't really aid in influenza outbreaks, but can carry salmonella and is common in backyard chicken flocks. A publication by the Virginia Farm Bureau from June of 2016, stated that in the first 6 months of 2016 there were 7 outbreaks in 35 states, where people were sickened all do to backyard flocks with salmonella. She suggested that health information be provided for individuals that are going to be raising chickens.

Ms. Dininni brought to the Boards attention that things have been taken out of the ordinance, due to it not being enforceable. However, it was left in the ordinance that the coops have to be keep clean, and that she believes that to bee subjective. She suggested that staff try to make cleaning measurable. For example; how many pounds of manure there can be, how often the coops must be cleaned, etc.

Ms. Dininni pointed out that if the chicken coops are closer to the owner's house rather than the neighbor's yard, the owner will be the first one to find out if there is a problem. She suggested that this information also be provided to individuals raising chickens.

<u>Ms. Dininni made a motion to amend the ordinance to include fact based educational material</u> on potential pathogens that has been written by the CDC. Ms. Whitaker seconded the motion.

Mr. Buckland shared that he believes it to be a good idea to provide chicken owners with information about sanitation. Ms. Graef asked if educational material is provided for individuals that own other animals. Mr. Stolinas stated that to his knowledge this is not done. Mr. Pribulka stated that the Township does put information on the website and sends advisory notices about cleaning up after their pets, and potential diseases that could spread if it's not done. Ms. Graef showed concern on requiring individuals to read a specific article, when there is so much information out there from all 50 states and many different authors. She suggested that a more proactive educational tool be used, for example e-mail notices. Ms. Dininni pointed out that in sub-city ordinances, not only do they require for chicken owners to read something they also have to take a course. Mr. Buckland stated he is for educational material being provided, however he doesn't believe it should be a requirement.

Ms. Graef called for last question. Motion carried 5 to 0.

The motion to amend the ordinance to include fact based educational material on potential pathogens that has been written by the CDC failed 1 to 4.

<u>Ms. Dininni made a motion for Mr. Kunkle to ask the Township Solicitor if the failed ordinance</u> <u>amendment would open the board up to liability. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. The motion</u> <u>carried 5 to 0.</u>

<u>Ms. Dininni made a motion to amend the ordinance to add used bedding to manure in Section</u> <u>1.8. Ms. Graef seconded the motion.</u>

Mr. Miller stated that it is already a requirement within the ordinance. Ms. Dininni advised that the ordinance refers to manure and not the bedding. Ms. Graef stated that bedding without manure in it is not a nutrient liability. Ms. Dininni said that bedding with manure in it is. Ms. Graef stated that Section 1.8 would cover bedding with manure in it.

The motion to amend the ordinance to add used bedding to manure in Section 1.8 passed unanimously.

<u>Ms. Graef made a motion to remove the term 'as a unit' from Section 1.6C. Or define that the chicken tractor may be dis-associated from that unit, because of it being mobile. Ms. Whitaker seconded the motion.</u>

Ms. Graef asked for clarification on whether it was the intent of staff to clump henhouse, chicken coop, *chicken tractor*, fenced areas (chicken pen) and/or chicken run as one big unit. Mr. Stolinas replied that it was, and showed examples. Ms. Graef proposed that by striking 'as a unit' individuals could have a permanent chicken coop and run as a unit and have a separate chicken tractor that can be moved around. She suggested that 'permanently located' be added to the 10-foot restriction in Section 1.6b. So that it would not apply to the chicken tractor and then could temporally be put on that section of grass during the day and then at night housed in the permanent chicken coop. Mr. Buckland suggested a better idea might be to exempt chicken tractor from the unit.

Ms. Graef withdrew her motion to remove the term 'as a unit'.

<u>Ms. Graef made a motion to add the phrase 'that a chicken tractor may be temporarily located</u> separate from the installed unit' in Section1.6c. Mr. Buckland seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Mr. Buckland made a motion to amend the ordinance so that the maximum size is 60 square feet for the unit. No second

Ms. Dininni asked how it's assessed if a property owner abandons or vacates a permitted domestic chicken coop etc. (Section 1.13). Mr. Stolinas stated it would be complaint driven, then the Zoning Administrator would be sent out to address the situation. There could be instances where the chickens die in fall and the structure could be abandoned over the winter. As part of the permit staff could get a written request from the owner that the permit is still valid until they refill the coop in spring time. Ms. Dininni asked where that is stated at in the ordinance. Mr. Stolinas advised it would be part of the permit process. Ms. Dininni asked if the permit process is annual or once and done. Mr. Stolinas replied that it is a onetime process.

Ms. Dininni made a motion to amend the ordinance to be an annual permitting. With a first time fee and a minimal fee after. No second.

The motion that the Board approve for advertisement for public hearing the revised Backyard Chicken Ordinance as an amendment to the Township's Zoning Ordinance, including motions passed at this meeting, passed 4 to 1.

Mr. Buckland motioned for a 5-minute recess. Ms. Graef seconded. Motion carried 5 to 0.

3. CONTRACT PROPOSAL FOR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT AND DESIGN - FAIRBROOK PARK PARKING LOT.

Mr. Modricker stated that 2016 Capital Reserve Fund includes funding to pave the lower parking lot at Fairbrook Park. Funding provided is sufficient to complete the construction of the parking area. As staff began work to design and prepare plans for the project it was noted that a stormwater management design and a permit would be required. Funding for this effort was not included in the appropriation approved by the Board. Staff has requested a proposal from NTM, Consulting Engineers, to complete a stormwater management design and permit support for the construction of the paved parking lot at Fairbrook Park. NTM has provided a proposal with total estimated engineering costs for the services described in the scope of work in the amount of \$14,200.

<u>Ms. Graef moved that the Board approve a contract in the amount of \$14,200 with NTM</u> <u>Engineering, for the design and permit preparation documents for stormwater management for</u> <u>the proposed parking lot upgrade at Fairbrook Park. Mr. Buckland seconded the motion.</u>

Ms. Whitaker asked if \$14,200 was the lowest of the bids. Mr. Modricker stated that NTM is the only proposal they received for this particular project, they are the townships appointed stormwater engineers.

Ms. Dininni advised that she had a conversation with Corey Miller from UAJA to see if there could be some de-paving that would qualify for nutrient credits. She added that if there is an opportunity to install a gravel parking lot, we should just pave it because if it is gravel it becomes compacted and there cannot be nutrient credits redeemed from the project.

The motion that the Board approve a contract in the amount of \$14,200 with NTM Engineering, for the design and permit preparation documents for stormwater management for the proposed parking lot upgrade at Fairbrook Park, passed unanimously.

4. DISCUSSION OF SCHEDULED WORK SESSION

Chairman, Steve Miller, has requested this agenda item to discuss the need for and scheduling of a work session meeting on Economic Development and MS4 Program/NPDES Permit

Compliance. Mr. Miller recommended Ron Seybert comes to present on the MSR and Nutrient Credit requirements currently are and how that fits together with other developers and UAJA. Ms. Dininni recommended that the board have a conversation around strategic planning for economic development before board members represent their position in public. Mr. Miller asked the board if they want to do this meeting before or after the meeting with COG and CBICC. Ms. Dininni stated she believes it would be beneficial to have a discussion before the meeting with CBICC. Ms. Graef asked when the proposed CBICC information meeting is being held. Mr. Kunkle replied that it is on July 19th. Ms. Whitaker stated she has a conflict and will not be able to attend. Mr. Buckland asked if Ms. Dininni is proposing that discussion be had at the next board meeting, or if she was proposing a work session. Ms. Dininni stated she would like at least an hour or so to discuss the topic, and would like feedback from staff members. If the time could be allotted in a regular meeting she would prefer that. Mr. Kunkle stated that the township partners with CBICC and plays a role in the overall process. The degree of the townships involvement is determined by the Board. Mr. Miller suggested having a short presentation at the next Board of Supervisors meeting. Mr. Kunkle asked if what the Board is wanting is clarification on what a NPDES Permit is, how do you get it, who issues it, and what are the ramifications. He stated that the MS4 Program has 6 components, that are part of the townships NPDES Permit from DEP. The UAJA has a whole other set of requirements. Mr. Buckland stated he is for having the discussion. Ms. Dininni suggested that everyone watch the presentation that Mr. Seybert gave at a meeting last year about the MS4 permit from CNET.

The Board came to a consensus to watch the presentation from last year and that no work session is needed at this time.

Mr. Miller recommended having the Economic Development discussion in the next meeting as a discussion item to see where that goes as opposed to scheduling a work session. If need be a work session can be scheduled at the next meeting. The Board agrees. Ms. Dininni recommended the discussion be started with a strategic plan. Mr. Kunkle requested if board members have specific topics to be discussed on the topic to send them to him via e-mail.

Mr. Pribulka stated that there is a link on the Township website to Mr. Seybert's presentation (under departments, public works, stormwater management, the link is found at the bottom of the page) the presentation was on January 18th.

5. APPROVAL OF MAY 2016 VOUCHER REPORT

<u>Ms. Whitaker moved that the Board of Supervisors approve the May 2016 voucher report. Mr.</u> <u>Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.</u>

6. DISCUSSION ON MOTION MADE BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION - MS. LAURA DININNI

Ms. Dininni discussed the motion made by the Planning Commission to have a member from the farming community and the SCBWA on the working group for the sourcewater protection overlay. Mr. Kunkle advised that this was a direction to staff to create a draft ordinance from the board, and staff has reached out to technical individuals to assist in the development of the ordinance. The draft ordinance that will be created will be presented to the planning commission and the board and other stakeholders will have ample opportunity to review and comment on

the draft. Ms. Dininni stated she supports the knowledge and the sentiment of the Planning Commission because a farmer and a member of the water authority would value the opportunity to be involved in drafting an ordinance such as this. Mr. Buckland stated he supports the idea of having the water authority join the working group, but showed concern about 1 farmer representing all farmers of the township. Mr. Miller stated that the Board can't require for individuals to be added to the working group but it can make a recommendation to staff.

<u>Ms. Dininni made a motion to support the Planning Commission's recommendation that a farmer and a representative of the water authority serve with this working group for this ordinance. No second.</u>

Mr. Buckland made a motion to recommend to staff to have a representative from the State College Borough Water Authority be a member of the working group. Ms. Dininni seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 to 2.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Dininni motioned to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Buckland seconded. Motion carried 5 to 0.

III. REPORTS

1. Manager

Mr. Kunkle stated that PennPrime advised the Township that its general liability and workers compensation insurer that all loss control standards have been met and therefore the township will receive a discount on its annual premiums. Also the Township's Safety Committee has been re-certified making the Township eligible for a 5% discount in its Workers Compensation insurance premium. The 2017-2021 CIP Budget is on schedule for completion. Annually The Board schedules a morning to tour the road and parks capital projects to become familiar with projects proposed in the CIP. Staff is proposing that the Board consider scheduling one of the following dates beginning at 8:30am; June 28th, June 30th, July 6th, or July 8th.

Ms. Graef asked how long the tour typically lasts. Mr. Kunkle stated they typically last 3 hours. The Board came to an agreement on having the tour July 6th.

Mr. Kunkle advised that the Township Auditors, Baker Tilly have offered to provide a 30-45minute training session on Financial Statements and the key elements that are of importance to the Board. He asked if that would something the Board would be interested in. Ms. Graef suggested scheduling it before one of the regular board meetings. The Board agreed that they would be interested in having the training at 6pm on the day of a regular meeting. Mr. Kunkle stated he would try scheduling the training for a date in August.

2. Public Works Director

Mr. Modricker stated staff attended a workshop on June 14th titled 'A sustainable Pennsylvania: Strategies for Vibrant Communities'. He went on to review the following projects; Contract 2015-C1 Piney Ridge Paving and Roadside Drainage Improvement Project (excludes Kansa Ave), Kansa Avenue Improvement Project, The Trust for Tomorrow (Piney Ridge) The Beaver Branch Creek Tributary Restoration Project, Contract 2015-C2 Suburban Avenue Paving and Drainage Improvement Project, Contract 2015-C6 Science Park and Sandy Lane Intersection Improvement Study, Contract 2016-C3 ADA Ramps (Paving and Micro), and Contract 2016-C10 Sealcoating Bikepaths and Parking Lots. He also reviewed the planned activities for the maintenance section.

Ms. Dininni asked if there is a relationship between the Kansa Avenue Improvement Project and The Trust for Tomorrow (Piney Ridge) The Beaver Branch Creek Tributary Restoration Project. Mr. Modricker stated that the second project became a project when there was an open house for the first project. But both projects are individual ones. Ms. Dininni asked if the discharge from the pumps gets to the road because of the ground water elevation. Mr. Modricker stated that it's

sump water, so it's water pumped out from basements. Ms. Dininni asked if there are alternative solutions to the water discharge problem. Mr. Modricker stated the alternatives are piping, injecting or pumping.

Ms. Graef asked what the difference in cost would be when looking at an intersection and if it warrants for a signal versus a circle, in regards to Contract 2015-C6 Science Park and Sandy Lane Intersection Improvement Study. She also asked if a circle could work and if it is being considered as an option. Mr. Modricker stated that whenever it is warranted to have a signal you are then required to do that. Mr. Miller asked if additional studies were done if it is believed that they will lead to something that PENDOT would except. Mr. Modricker stated his feeling is a 50 to 50% chance. Mr. Modricker stated that staff could get a proposal and bring that back to the Board.

Mr. Modricker stated the Ferguson Township Tree Commission meant on June 20th.

3. Planning & Zoning Director

Ms. Dininni showed concern about illegal parking at the Young Scholars meetings. She asked at what point are those cars to be towed. Mr. Stolinas replied that Mr. Ressler had roped that parking off at one point, but he stated he would have Mr. Ressler go back out to check it again.

Mr. Stolinas reviewed the following discussions that happened at the Planning Commission meeting on June 13th; the Pennsylvania State University Water Reuse System Act 537 Special Study, the Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Backyard Chickens, and the Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Pre-Final Design Submission. He also reviewed the State College Alliance Church Land Development Plan.

4. Chief of Police

Chief Conrad reported that the crime for the month of May is down for Part I and II Crimes by 31% and 2% year to date. Other calls for service has minimal change year to date. She stated that there was a great turn out for the Special Olympics Torch Run and the annual bike rodeo. Sergent Glenny retired after 26 years of service, and the department is now going through the process to fill his spot. The department hosted a police officer training for drug impairment recognition in driving under the influence cases. The Criminal Justice Advisory Board's subcommittee on drug overdoses, which has expanded into a coalition, is continuing planning for a public awareness event, a Town Hall Meeting to take place in July. Chief Conrad stated that a drug box drop-off has been placed at the police department.

5. COG Committee Reports

a. Finance

Mr. Miller stated the Finance Committee discussed some changes for the Capital Improvement Plan, how cost estimates are done and that staff is working on ideas on how to get more engineering input. Joe Viglione is looking for some alternative ways to invest funds. The committee approved separating the district budget from the libraries operating budget.

b. Public Safety

Ms. Graef stated the Public Safety Committee discussed the 2017 Program Plans for the Code, Fire, and Emergency Management Programs. Overall the majority of the plans will remain similar to the 2016 Budget. The new 2016 Pierce aerial truck has been placed into service. Also discussed was the new fire safety trailer, it will be viewed at a future COG meeting, eventually the trailer will be stored in Ferguson Township. It was brought up that there is no fire training around commercial kitchens. Shawn Kauffman discussed The Emergency Management Program at the meeting, which lead to discussion as to whether it would be a good idea to get

an emergency generator for COG. The July public safety meeting will focus on an infectious disease plan and preparing for the People's Choice and Arts Festival.

6. Other Non-COG Regional Committees a. CCMPO Technical Committee

Mr. Buckland stated that Judy from Trout Unlimited discussed the Get Outdoors Fishing Event, where there was over 300 people that attended, she showed appreciation for Ferguson Townships support. Shirley Darisic showed concern about bio-solids at the meeting. An issue about poison hemlock around streams was brought to attention. An extensive atlas report was presented.

IV. MINUTES

1. June 06, 2016

<u>Ms. Whitaker moved that the June 6, 2016 minutes be approved. Ms. Graef seconded. The</u> <u>motion carried 5 to 0.</u>

Ms. Dininni asked that in the future when entities are asked or invited to happenings that, that information be shared with everyone.

Ms. Dininni announced that on Wednesday June 22nd at 10am at the Nittany Mall Senior Center or at 10:30am at Schlow in the children's room, individuals can give input into what they think about the library services.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Whitaker made a motion to ADJOURN the meeting. Mr. Buckland seconded the motion.

With no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, Mr. Miller adjourned the regular meeting at 9:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark a. turkle

Mark Kunkle, Township Manager For the Board of Supervisors Date approved by the Board: <u>07/05/2016</u>