

FERGUSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Regular Meeting
Monday, January 6, 2020
7:00 PM

I. ATTENDANCE

The Board of Supervisors held its first regular meeting of the month on Monday, January 6, 2020, at the Ferguson Township Municipal Building. In attendance were:

Board: Steve Miller
Laura Dininni
Lisa Strickland
Patty Stephens
Prasenjit Mitra

Staff: Dave Pribulka, Township Manager
Dave Modricker, Public Works Director
Chris Albright, Chief of Police

Others in attendance included: Faith Norris, Recording Secretary; Brian Heiser, SCBWA; Ken Beldin, GD&F; Jeremie Thompson; Bill Hechinger; Pam Steckler; Kara Kavala; Judge Casey McClain; Bill Keough; Christine Bailey.

II. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Miller called the Monday, January 6, 2020, regular meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

III. CITIZENS INPUT

None.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Ms. Dininni moved that the Board of Supervisors **approve** the Board of Supervisors Minutes of December 9, 2019. Ms. Strickland seconded the motion. The motion as amended passed unanimously.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. PUBLIC HEARING RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ADOPTION OF POST-ISSUANCE COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES.

Mr. Pribulka reviewed the item in detail for adoption. Discussion followed on the accrued interest and accounting process associated with the General Obligation Bond for the Public Works Maintenance Facility.

Ms. Dininni moved that the Board of Supervisors **adopt** the resolution approving and adopting post-issuance compliance procedures, appointing the Township Manager as Compliance Officer, and establishing annual reporting requirements associated with the issuance of a tax exempt General Obligation Bond. Ms. Strickland seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote on Resolution #2020-03: Ms. Dininni – YES: Mr. Miller – YES: Mr. Mitra – YES: Ms. Stephens – YES: Ms. Strickland – YES.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Miller reviewed the process and items presented for the new Board members.

- a. Acceptance of Treasurer's Report – October 2019
- b. 2018-ADMN, FT Admin. Bldg., Pay Application: \$36,261.00
- c. 2019-C11, Sidewalk Repairs, Pay Application 1: \$5,557.50
- d. 2019-C5, Chestnut Ridge Pipe Lining/Road CMP: \$15,078.75
- e. Board Member Request – Patton Township Open Space Preservation Presentation

Ms. Strickland moved that the Board of Supervisors **accept** the Treasurer's Report for October 2019 and **approve** the Consent Agenda. Mr. Mitra seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. PUBLIC HEARING RESOLUTION APPROVING SEWAGE FACILITIES PLANNING MODULE FOR SCBWA NIXON/KOCHER WATER TREATMENT FACILITY.

Mr. Pribulka reviewed the item for adoption that was included with the agenda packet. This is an approved Land Development Plan.

Mr. Hechinger commented on a separate item regarding chlorinated water and odd taste to the water in his neighborhood. Mr. Miller suggested to the resident to get in touch with the Water authority on that issue. Mr. Miller closed the public hearing.

Ms. Dininni moved that the Board of Supervisors **adopt** the resolution approving a Sewage Facilities Planning Module for the State College Borough Water Authority Nixon/Kocher Water Treatment Facility. Ms. Strickland seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote on Resolution 2020-04: Ms. Dininni – YES; Mr. Miller – YES; Mr. Mitra – YES; Ms. Stephens – YES; Ms. Strickland – YES.

VII. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. COG COMMITTEE REPORTS – none.

2. OTHER REGIONAL REPORTS – none.

3. STAFF REPORTS

- a. Township Manager. Mr. Pribulka reviewed his report as provided with the agenda. Details followed on a closing scheduled for January 7th on an agricultural conservation easement for the property at 2080 Tadpole Road; update on the continued search for potential replacement of code enforcement software for regional permitting; closing of grant and successful PaDEP site visit for acquisition of the electric vehicle and accompanying charging station; and details of the Authorities, Boards and Commissions (ABC's) presentation report schedule for 2020-2021 that was provided with the manager's report.

In response to Mr. Mitra's question, a discussion followed on the process of conservation easement properties.

- b. Public Works Director. Mr. Modricker presented a verbal report to the Board. The next Tree Commission Meeting is scheduled for January 20th at 5:30 p.m.; update on continued renovations to the Township's administrative building; a status update list of contracts for 2020 will be provided with the next written report; sent out notices to SAC members for two additional meetings in February and March to continue focused discussions on the Stormwater Fee Study anticipated fee, structure, changes to the work program and credit program.

- c. Planning & Zoning Director. Mr. Pribulka reviewed the report for Ms. Wargo as provided with the agenda packet. The first Planning Commission organizational meeting will be on January 13th followed by the regular meeting; update on current projects; Planning staff is moving files to have digitized to clear space for the municipal building renovation project noted above; permitting software vendors meeting update as noted above; Zoning Hearing Board (ZHB) will meet January 28th on a variance for 3765 W. College Avenue.

In response to Ms. Dininni's question on nature of the variance request, Mr. Pribulka will get details from Ms. Wargo. Messrs. Pribulka and Mitra had a discussion on the digital scanning procedure and document storage management.

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

Mr. Miller reviewed the communications procedures.

- a. Ms. Strickland noted she had an item that will be emailed to Mr. Modricker regarding a Pine Grove Mills resident looking into getting crosswalks marked in PGM near the school.

Mr. Pribulka responded to Ms. Dininni's previous question on the variance details regarding the building of an established flood zone for the Islamic Society. He reviewed the ZHB procedures and Board procedures on invested interest in Township properties and how it ties together on positions on zoning variances.

IX. CALENDAR ITEMS

- a. Coffee & Conversation, Baileyville Community Hall, January 25, 2020, 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Mr. Miller announced that an executive session will follow this meeting on litigation matters.

X. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, Ms. Dininni motioned to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



David Pribulka, Township Manager
For the Board of Supervisors

Date approved by the Board: 01-20-2020