

FERGUSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Regular Meeting Agenda
Monday, June 15, 2020, 7:00 PM

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. CITIZENS INPUT

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. June 1, 2020, Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting

IV. SPECIAL REPORTS

- a. COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Response Report
- b. University Area Joint Authority
- c. C-NET Annual Report

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Discussion on Draft Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Domestic Keeping of Chickens and Ducks

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consent Agenda
2. Proclamation – Support for Awareness of Bias, Diversity, and Equal Justice
3. Board Member Request – Procurement Policy Amendment
4. Award of Contract 2018-C26 – Traffic Signal Phasing Changes
5. Discussion – Future Board of Supervisors Meeting Format

VII. REPORTS

1. COG Committee Reports
2. Other Regional Reports
3. Staff Reports

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

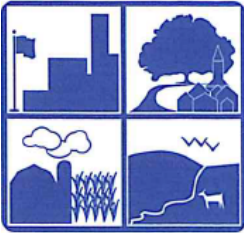
IX. CALENDAR ITEMS – JUNE/JULY

1. [Virtual Coffee & Conversation, July 10, 8:00 a.m.](#)

X. ADJOURNMENT



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II. CITIZEN'S INPUT

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. June 1, 2020, Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting Minutes

IV. SPECIAL REPORTS

15 minutes

1. COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Response Report – David Pribulka, Township Manager
2. University Area Joint Authority – Jonathan Dietz
3. C-NET Annual Report – Cindy Hahn

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. DISCUSSION OF DRAFT ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – DOMESTIC KEEPING OF CHICKENS AND DUCKS

20 minutes

Narrative

On November 18, 2019, the Board of Supervisors discussed a request from a resident of Pine Grove Mills to allow for the domestic keeping of ducks in residential zoning districts. The consensus of the Board was to exclude the request from the recently-adopted zoning ordinance amendments and refer this to staff for further research. Staff has completed research on this topic and drafted an amendment to the Township's "Domestic Chicken" ordinance to include the domestic keeping of ducks. Provided with the agenda is the draft Backyard Chicken and Duck Ordinance for review and for an opportunity for the Board to provide any questions and comments to staff.

Recommended Motion: That the Board of Supervisors refer the draft ordinance to the Planning Commission for review and comment.

Staff Recommendation

That the Board of Supervisors **refer** the draft ordinance to the Planning Commission.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. CONSENT AGENDA

5 minutes

- a. Award 2020-C19, 5-yr Detection Upgrade: \$10,828.00
- b. Special Events Permit – Stonebridge 4th of July Parade
- c. Voucher Report – April 2020
- d. Voucher Report – May 2020

- e. Board Member Request – Fairbrook Park Native Landscape Map Amendment
- f. Board Member Request – Resolution on Systemic Racism Related to Ethnicity and Skin Tone
- g. Board Member Request – Police Response Report
- h. Board Member Request – Township Business Needs Survey

2. A PROCLAMATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FERGUSON, CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA DECLARING SUPPORT FOR INCREASED AWARENESS OF BIAS, DIVERSITY AND EQUAL JUSTICE WITH ANTI-BIAS COMMUNITY RELATIONS.

20 minutes

Narrative

Provided with the agenda is a copy of a proclamation to declare support for increased awareness of bias, diversity, and equal justice with anti-bias community relations. In the wake of recent hateful crimes and acts of bias, it is the intent of this proclamation to demonstrate the Board of Supervisors' support and encouragement for citizens to be increasingly aware of their bias and take action for equal justice with anti-bias community relations.

Recommended Motion: That the Board of Supervisors adopt the proclamation condemning racism and promoting cultural diversity and inclusion.

Staff Recommendation

That the Board of Supervisors **adopt** the proclamation.

3. BOARD MEMBER REQUEST – PROCUREMENT POLICY AMENDMENT 20 minutes

Narrative

Provided with the agenda is a copy of the request submitted by Mr. Mitra that the Board of Supervisors amend Chapter 1, Administration and Government; Part 9, Fiscal Affairs; Section 906, Competitive Bidding System Rules and Regulations to establish that, for contracts whose values are below prevailing wage law requirements but above \$10,000, bidders certify that all employees involved with the contract will be paid a minimum of \$15 per hour. Also provided with the agenda is a copy of the relevant section of the ordinance. Mr. Mitra will introduce the item.

Recommended Motion: That the Board of Supervisors direct staff to prepare a draft amendment to Chapter One, Administration and Government; Part 9, Fiscal Affairs; Section 906, Competitive Bidding System Rules and Regulations to establish that, for contracts whose values are below prevailing wage law requirements and above \$10,000, each bidder will certify that employees involved with the contract will be paid a minimum of \$15 per hour.

4. AWARD OF CONTRACT 2018-C26, TRAFFIC SIGNAL PHASING CHANGES

5 minutes

Narrative

On June 9, 2020, bids were opened publicly and read out loud. The bid was advertised in the Centre Daily Times on May 22, 2020, and sent out to potential bidders. This contract involves traffic signal phasing operation to install flashing yellow arrow (FYA) signals that are the new standard in Pennsylvania's Centre Region. Prior to installing the FYA signals, educational outreach will be done along with message boards that will advise motorists of the signal changes. The budget has available funds to complete the project. Provided with the agenda is a memorandum from the Township Engineer dated June 9, 2020, that shows the Engineer's estimate and bid tabulations. Below are the locations of the FYA signal phasing in the Centre Region and a video detailing FYA operation prepared by PennDOT.

Locations for the signal changes are: Eastbound Blue Course Drive at Martin Street; Northbound Science Park Road at Pine Hall Road; and Northbound and Southbound Science Park Road at Old Gatesburg Road.

New Flashing Yellow Arrow Turn Signals

Recommended motion: That the Board of Supervisors award Contract 2018-C26, Traffic Signal Phasing Changes to M & B Services, LLC in accordance with their bid in the amount of \$29,961.32.

Staff Recommendation

That the Board of Supervisors award Contract 2018-C26, Traffic Signal Phasing Changes to M & B Services, LLC.

5. DISCUSSION OF FUTURE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING FORMAT

10 minutes

Narrative

Since April 6, 2020, the Board of Supervisors and other Township Authorities, Boards, and Commissions have been meeting in a virtual environment to conduct business. Now that Centre County has effectively entered the “green phase” of Governor Wolf’s plan to “reopen” Pennsylvania, gatherings in public are permissible provided additional safety protocol can be provided to limit the number of individuals congregating and ensure appropriate social distancing and personal protective equipment. However, virtual public meetings are still permitted as the Governor’s disaster declaration remains in effect. The Board is asked to discuss whether it should continue to host meetings via Zoom or to resume meeting in person beginning July 6th.

VII. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **COG COMMITTEE REPORTS** 20 minutes
 - a. Ad Hoc Facilities Committee
 - b. Public Services & Environmental Committee
 - c. Public Safety Committee
 - d. Finance Committee

2. **OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS** 5 minutes
 - a. CCMPO Technical Committee

3. **STAFF REPORTS** 20 minutes
 - a. Manager’s Report
 - b. Public Works Director
 - c. Planning & Zoning Director
 - d. Chief of Police

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