

FERGUSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Regular Meeting Agenda

Monday, September 16, 2019

7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. CITIZENS INPUT

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. September 3, 2019, Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Public Hearing Ordinance amending Code of Ordinances to Speed Limits on Stonebridge Drive
2. 3062 Ernest Lane Replot – SCBWA and Myers
3. SCBWA – Nixon/Kocher Water Treatment Facility
4. Authorization of NTM Engineering Analysis for Conditional and Final Letters of Map Revisions for Park Hills Drainageway

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consent Agenda
2. Variance - 127 Leisure Lane, Mercedes-Benz of State College
3. Certification of 2020 Minimum Municipal Obligation for Police Pension/Non-Uniformed Pension Fund
4. Establishment of Application Period for 2020 Vacancies on Authorities, Boards, and Commissions

VI. REPORTS

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

VII. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

VIII. CALENDAR ITEMS – SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

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IX. ADJOURNMENT



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1. **A PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FERGUSON, CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 15, SECTION 15-201, RELATING TO MAXIMUM SPEED LIMITS TO DELETE THE MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT ON STONEBRIDGE DRIVE OF 35 MILES PER HOUR BETWEEN WHITEHALL ROAD AND BRISTOL AVENUE AND TO ESTABLISH OR ADD A MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT OF 30 MILES PER HOUR ON STONEBRIDGE BETWEEN WHITEHALL ROAD AND BRISTOL AVENUE.** 10 minutes

Narrative

Township staff was directed to conduct a speed study on Stonebridge Drive. A letter requesting the Township to reduce the speed limit was received from Mr. Brian Hoffheins, Stonebridge Property Owners Association Board President on April 18, 2019. The matter was discussed with the Board of Supervisors on May 6, 2019, at which time Township staff was directed to conduct the study. A speed study was completed in accordance with established engineering criteria (PennDOT publication, MUTCD, Vehicle Code). The study included collecting speed data with an automated traffic recorder, intersection corner sight distance, stopping sight distance, and crash history. The current posted speed limit is 35 miles per hour. The results of the study were presented to the Board of Supervisors at a regular meeting on August 19, 2019. Provided with the agenda is a copy of the ordinance as advertised for public hearing, and authorized by the Board on August 19th.

Recommended motion: That the Board of Supervisors adopt the ordinance amending Chapter 15, Section 201 by deleting the maximum speed limit of 35 miles per hour on Stonebridge Drive between Whitehall Road and Bristol Avenue and adding a maximum speed limit of 30 miles per hour on Stonebridge Drive between Whitehall Road and Bristol Avenue.

Staff Recommendation

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

2. **RELOT OF PARCELS OWNED BY THE STATE COLLEGE BOROUGH WATER AUTHORITY AND GARY E. AND CAROL J. MYERS – DATED JUNE 26, 2019 AND REVISED AUGUST 12, 2019** 5 minutes

Narrative

Provided with the agenda is a copy of the full set of Preliminary/Final Replot of Lands owned by the State College Borough Water Authority and Gary E. and Carol J. Myers. Also provided with the agenda is a memorandum from the Community Planner dated September 16, 2019, summarizing the remaining administrative conditions of approval of the replot plan. The proposed replot would add an additional 2.974 acres to the State College Borough Water Authority parcel (3062 Ernest Lane) taken from the adjoining parcel owned by the Myers' (3061 Ernest Lane). The Planning Commission recommended conditional approval of the plan on September 9th.

Recommended motion: That the Board of Supervisors approve the replot of lands owned by the State College Borough Water Authority and Gary E. and Carol J. Myers, as described in the plan dated June 26, 2019, and last revised August 12, 2019, subject to the conditions described in the Community Planner memorandum dated September 16, 2019.

Staff Recommendation

That the Board of Supervisors **approve** the replot plan subject to the conditions described in the Community Planner memorandum dated September 16, 2019.

3. STATE COLLEGE BOROUGH WATER AUTHORITY NIXON/KOCHER WATER TREATMENT FACILITY LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN – DATED AUGUST 30, 2019 10 minutes

Narrative

Provided with the agenda is a memorandum from the Community Planner dated September 16, 2019, summarizing the remaining conditions of the land development plan submitted by the State College Borough Water Authority for a water treatment facility at 3062 Ernest Lane. Also provided with the agenda is an excerpt from the plan illustrating the overall site plan for the proposed facility. Below is a link to the full plan set, which, due to the file size, could not be attached to the agenda. Conditions that remain outstanding on the plan are administrative, and the Planning Commission recommended approval on September 9th. The Township Manager will provide an overview of the land development plan.

[Nixon/Kocher Water Treatment Facility Land Development Plan](#)

Recommended motion: That the Board of Supervisors approve the State College Borough Water Authority Nixon/Kocher Water Treatment Facility dated August 30, 2019, subject to the conditions outlined in the Community Planner memorandum dated September 16, 2019.

Staff Recommendation

That the Board of Supervisors **approve** the land development plan subject to the conditions outlined in the Community Planner memorandum dated September 16, 2019.

4. AUTHORIZATION OF NTM ENGINEERING TO PREPARE AN ANALYSIS AND SUBMIT A CONDITIONAL LETTER OF MAP REVISION (CLOMR) AND FINAL LETTER OF MAP REVISION (LOMR) TO FEMA FOR PARK HILLS DRAINAGEWAY 15 minutes

Narrative

Cost containment for the Park Hills Drainageway Project has been a concern of the Board. Staff, working with the team engaged to complete the design of the Park Hills Drainageway, has identified a potential avenue to modify the design, achieve the desired goals of the project, and significantly reduce construction costs. In order to pursue this option, however, a conditional letter of map revision and a final letter of map revision must be submitted to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) establishing floodplain boundaries for the limits of the drainageway. Dave Modricker, Director of Public

Works, will review the attached scope of work and describe the potential implications it has for the project. Scott Brown of NTM Engineering will also be in attendance to answer any questions the Board may have about the proposed scope. If the Board elects to proceed, the LOMR will provide the additional benefit to property owners abutting the drainageway of establishing the floodplain boundaries on their properties, relieving them of the need to do so with any potential future land development.

Recommended motion: That the Board of Supervisors authorize NTM Engineering to submit a Conditional Letter of Map Revision and Final Letter of Map Revision to FEMA for the Park Hills Drainageway at a cost not to exceed \$57,000.

Staff Recommendation

That the Board of Supervisors **authorize** NTM Engineering to submit a CLOMR/LOMR to FEMA for the Park Hills Drainageway.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. CONSENT AGENDA

5 minutes

- a. Contract 2017-C1 Pay App 4, Kansa Avenue: \$ 1,000.00
- b. Contract 2019-C1 Pay App 3, Street Improvement: \$ 563.35
- c. Contract 2019-C1 Pay App 4, Street Improvement: \$ 13,721.89
- d. Contract 2019-C8, Pay App Final, Pavement Markings: \$ 5,469.67
- e. Contract 2019-C9 Pay App 1, Microsurfacing: \$ 451,540.75
- f. Contract 2019-C9 Pay App 2, Microsurfacing: \$ 23,765.30
- g. Special Events Permit – Schuchert Orthodontics 5K
- h. Board Member Request – DCNR Letter of Inquiry

2. ZONING APPEALS/REQUESTS FOR VARIANCES

a. 127 LEISURE LANE – MERCEDES-BENZ OF STATE COLLEGE

5 minutes

Narrative

Provided with the agenda is a copy of the variance application submitted by Mercedes-Benz of State College for property located at 127 Leisure Lane. The variance requested would permit the addition of 482 square feet of additional building area to display new electric vehicles. The relief being requested is from the requirement to submit a land development plan for the new addition.

Recommended motion: That the Board of Supervisors remain neutral on the request for variance for 127 Leisure Lane.

Staff Recommendation

That the Board of Supervisors **remain neutral** on the request for variance for 127 Leisure Lane.

3. CERTIFICATION OF THE 2020 MINIMUM MUNICIPAL OBLIGATION FOR THE POLICE PENSION FUND AND THE NON-UNIFORMED PENSION FUND

5 minutes

Narrative

In accordance with PA Act 205, provided with the agenda is a memorandum from the Township Manager dated September 16, 2019, describing the anticipated Minimum Municipal Obligation for Police and Non-Uniformed Pension Plans for 2020. Act 205 requires the Chief Administrative Officer for the pension plans to provide the governing body with the MMO for the upcoming year. The certification must be provided by September 30th of each year. The total municipal pension cost is estimated to be \$308,383

for the Police Pension Plan and \$250,852 for the Non-Uniformed Pension Plan. The State Aid Unit Value has not been provided at the time of this discussion so the net cost to the Township, represented by the total municipal pension cost minus the State Aid Unit Value multiplied by the number of participants in each plan, cannot presently be determined. This item is for information only and no action is required by the Board.

Staff Recommendation

That the Board of Supervisors **receive** the memorandum outlining the 2020 certifications of the pension funds' minimum municipal obligations.

4. ESTABLISHMENT OF APPLICATION PERIOD FOR 2020 VACANCIES ON AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS 5 minutes

Narrative

Provided with the agenda is a list of upcoming vacancies as of December 31, 2019, on the Township's Authorities, Boards, and Commissions. Additionally, the Board's policy on ABC Appointments is also attached to the agenda. The Board is asked to open an application period for interested volunteers so that applications may be collected in advance of scheduling interviews.

Recommended motion: That the Board of Supervisors authorize the Township Manager to open an application period from October 1, 2019 through November 1, 2019.

Staff Recommendation

That the Board of Supervisors **authorize** the Township Manager to open an application period for ABC Vacancies.

VI. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1. COG COMMITTEE REPORTS** 15 minutes
 - a. Public Services & Environmental Committee
 - b. Transportation & Land Use Committee
 - c. Finance Committee
- 2. OTHER REGIONAL REPORTS** 5 minutes
- 3. STAFF REPORTS** 15 minutes
 - a. Township Manager
 - b. Public Works Director
 - c. Chief of Police

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