MEETING MINUTES
October 28, 2019

OPENING OF MEETING: The regular bi-weekly meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Ulrich, at 7:00 p.m., on Monday, October 28, 2019, in the Public Meeting Room of the Township of Spring Administration Building, located at 2850 Windmill Road, Spring Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania.

Upon roll call, Supervisors Ulrich, Stuck, Smith, Oswald and Myer were present. Also present were: Alex Elliker, Esq., Jay Vaughan, Jim Moll, John Groller, Judy Houck, Aaron Wozniak, Sheryl Rowan, Paul Darrah, Mike Kocher, Jonathan Cirillo, Jonathan Scott and Susan Shelley, of the Reading Eagle.

OPEN TO THE FLOOR:
PPL Project Report: Mr. Cirillo informed the Board they have completed work on Dwight Street, are close to completing Howard Street and working on the Penn Avenue crossing. Four crews, 2 shifts will be working around the clock over the November 1, 2019 weekend, starting at 10:00 p.m., until 6:00 a.m. on Monday, November 4, 2019. Work will continue on the weekends, as necessary. Their goal is to minimize the impact to residents and churches. Currently, three homeowners along Van Reed Road have taken advantage of the amenities offered by PPL, according to Mr. Scott (PPL Public Outreach).

MINUTES: A motion was made by Mr. Stuck, second by Ms. Smith, approving the meeting Minutes of October 15, 2019. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively with the exception of Mr. Oswald, who abstained.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER:
Business Office:
Bills for Approval: A motion was made by Mr. Stuck, second by Mr. Oswald, approving payment of bills, as listed by the Township Treasurer:

General Fund - $309,029.79
Street Lighting Tax Fund - $26,360.19
Refuse Tax Fund - $117,022.03
Sewer District #3 Fund - $592,196.48
Fire Protection Fund - $39,155.95

Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively.
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT:

Yerger Boulevard – Sketch Plan: The Parks and Recreation Board has requested more detailed guidance from the Board of Supervisors to develop a sketch plan for property located between Yerger Boulevard and Reedy Road and around Schoener Lake. The Supervisors agreed they wanted to proceed with moving the yard waste site and asked that the following be included on the sketch plan:

(1) Pavilion, kitchen, restrooms
(2) Benches on top ridge
(3) Fishing access
(4) Nature trail
(5) Natural playground, possibly near pavilion, and other amenities
(6) Field area

They were not interested in a boat ramp or motorboats on the lake. For the record, Mr. Oswald was concerned about liability, and stated that the Township must make sure all liability is covered. The insurance company will send someone to check the site. Ms. Smith suggested blocking off the trail to the cliff and, instead, connecting it to the trail at Cacooing Meadows. Ms. Houck assured them the Parks and Recreation Board would discuss the sketch plan at their November meeting.

MONTHLY REPORT:
The October, 2019 Parks and Recreation report was submitted by Ms. Houck. Mr. McKissick and Ms. Houck attended the National Recreation and Parks Association conference in Baltimore. They are working on the next brochure, fall programs, trips, and a Christmas visit with Santa as well as Santa letters. Santa’s mailbox will be available at the Township Administration Building the Sunday before Thanksgiving.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

ENTECH ENGINEERING – RESIDENTIAL HIGH FLOW RESPONSE PLAN: Action will be taken at the next meeting.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

MONTHLY REPORT: The September, 2019 monthly report was submitted to the Board. Chief Ross was attending the International Association of Chiefs of Police Convention in Chicago.

SOLICITOR:

PARKS AND RECREATION PUBLICATION: Changes have been made to the agreement, awaiting final review.

INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE ORDINANCE UPDATE: Changing Township Manager to Director of Public Works as a member of the Committee.

MANAGER ORDINANCE UPDATE: Red-lined copies will be forwarded to the Supervisors. Comments should be sent to the Solicitor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. An Executive Session was held prior to the meeting regarding a personnel item.

There being no further business, Chairman Ulrich adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheryl Rowan, Township Secretary

Board of Supervisors
10/28/19