

The Greene Township Board of Supervisors held its regular meeting and public hearing on Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at the Greene Township Municipal Building, 1145 Garver Lane, Chambersburg, PA 17202.

Present: Todd Burns, Travis Brookens, Shawn Corwell – Supervisors, Tyler Beaston – Solicitor, Greg Lambert - Engineer, Dan Bachman – Zoning Officer, Lindsay Loney – Secretary/Treasurer

The Chairman called the meeting to order at Noon, advised that the meeting would be recorded for accuracy purposes and visitors were asked to sign in.

The Chairman opened the Public Hearing scheduled for this date and time to review and consider proposed Greene Township Ordinance 2024-2, Transportation Impact Fee Amendments. The Engineer explained that the Township collects transportation impact fees to help fund specific projects identified in the Township that will alleviate traffic congestion. The Capital Improvement Plan requires the Township to establish a committee to monitor fees collected and how those fees are expended. The committee met last spring and discussed changes to the plan for both new and completed projects. The committee asked HRG to update the impact fees based on those modifications. The committee met again in February and this Ordinance is a reflection of the updates recommended at that meeting. The Engineer noted that it has been four years since this was last done. The Secretary confirmed that the Public Hearing was advertised as required on March 11 and 18. Supervisor Corwell inquired if the fees have gone up due to construction costs. The Engineer responded the fees have changed due to inflation and changes in projects. Jim Maun (William Brindle Associates) asked if the Family Cow Plan that he is working on would fall under these new fees. The Engineer responded it would since no plan has been submitted to date. With no other comments being made, the Chairman closed the Public Hearing at 12:06 pm.

On a motion by Supervisor Brookens, seconded by Supervisor Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to adopt Greene Township Ordinance 2024-2, Transportation Impact Fee Amendments as presented.

The minutes of the regular meeting held March 12, 2024 shall stand approved as presented and become part of the official record.

The Chairman opened the floor for public comment; none was offered.

The Zoning Officer (ZO) presented a request for review time extension for the Greene Acres Preliminary Subdivision Plan. The current expiration is March 29, 2024, and the extension is requested through June 29, 2024. This will be the fourth extension for the plan. The ZO noted that the applicant is working through comments; some minor revisions need done and the Right of Way and Maintenance Agreement needs reviewed by the Solicitor. The biggest hold up is waiting on Franklin County Conservation District approval. Due to the wetlands on the property, the Plan needed to go to Harrisburg for review. On a motion by Supervisor Corwell, seconded by Supervisor Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to grant the request for review time extension for the Greene Acres Preliminary Subdivision Plan to commence March 29, 2024 and extend through June 29, 2024.

The ZO presented the Kevin Patterson 1 Lot Final Subdivision Plan, located on Walker Road in the R1 zoning district. The plan proposes to subdivide the portion of property containing the barn and conveying it to the portion of property with the dwelling. Both lots are served by on-lot water and sewer; the Sewage Enforcement Officer performed an inspection and reported that the system functions properly. The non-building waiver was sent to DEP. The Franklin County Planning Commission, Township Planner and Township Engineer all reviewed the plan with no comment. The plan was staff reviewed on behalf of the Greene Township Planning Commission and the ZO had no comments. Supervisor Brookens asked if the driveway would be abandoned. The applicant's planner, Jim Maun, responded that there is an abandoned driveway coming off Walker Road that will be reutilized. There is a note on the plan regarding which properties can use the current driveway. The Chairman noted that there is an underground Stormwater system near the location of the abandoned driveway as well as major sinkholes in that area. Discussion ensued about where the exact Stormwater location is in relation to the abandoned driveway. By looking at the map,

it was difficult to determine the exact proximity and the Chairman stated he is not opposed to the plan, but there might need to be more investigation as to the exact location and width of the driveway to prevent issues. The Engineer explained that a driveway permit would need to be done before the driveway is installed, so these concerns could be worked out at that time. Supervisor Brookens asked if Mr. Patterson plans to subdivide this property more down the road. Mr. Maun explained that the house is being sold and the buyer wanted 10 acres, which is the reason for this plan. Mr. Patterson considered subdividing for additional building lots but has since changed his mind. On a motion by Supervisor Brookens, seconded by Supervisor Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Kevin Patterson 1 Lot Final Subdivision Plan as presented.

The Engineer presented Township Resolution 2024-8, Capital Improvement Plan, and explained that it goes along with the Transportation Impact Fee Ordinance approved earlier in the meeting. The Resolution updates the Capital Improvement Plan, removing projects that are complete and adding new ones as well as updating the fees accordingly. The traffic signal at Walker and Kohler Roads has been added and the Route 997/11 and Parkwood/Kohler Road projects have been removed since they are complete. On a motion by Supervisor Brookens, seconded by Supervisor Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to adopt Township Resolution 2024-8, Capital Improvement Plan.

The Chairman presented Resolution 2024-9 to update the Borough of Chambersburg Industrial Treatment Plant pollution limits. He explained that this is a DEP requirement for the Borough of Chambersburg and each municipality that conveys sewage into the treatment plant is required to adopt the maximums. This was last done in 2019. The Engineer added that this is part of the Act 37 Planning and a requirement of the NPDES permit that the treatment plant is required to have. The NPDES permit limits are changed periodically and the outside townships have to adopt a resolution to update the new pollution limits. The Engineer added that the Greene Township Municipal Authority is aware and agreeable to the new limits. On a motion by Supervisor Brookens, seconded by Supervisor Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to adopt Township Resolution 2024-9, Industrial Waste Local Limits.

The ZO presented a temporary waiver application of Greene Township Code Chapter 46, Noise Ordinance, for 3341 Shinnecock Drive. The Ordinance allows a one-time waiver for private events at a property. The applicant was present and explained that her first-born son is getting married and this is a cultural event to celebrate. It will mostly consist of women getting together to play music and sing on the patio; there will be no DJ but a lot of clapping and singing. The Chairman asked if the applicant had notified neighbors about the event and if it will last from 7:00pm to midnight as the application indicates. The applicant responded that it will most likely not be that late but she put midnight as a precaution. She has invited most of the neighbors with the exception of one, whom they have had issues with in the past. There will be no large drums, microphones, speakers, etc. but because of past issues with the neighbor, she wanted to be sure to follow the rules to alleviate any potential complaints. On a motion by Supervisor Corwell, seconded by Supervisor Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to grant a noise nuisance temporary waiver for 3341 Shinnecock Drive on June 29, 2024 as presented.

Supervisor Corwell presented box card changes for Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department. The reason is to add two new units purchased within the County; St. Thomas purchased a tanker and Letterkenny purchased a UTV. Supervisor Corwell recommends approval of the changes. On a motion by Supervisor Brookens, seconded by Supervisor Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to approve the box card changes for Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department as presented.

Supervisor Corwell presented a support letter for the Franklin Fire Company for their T-Mobile Hometown Grant application. They are requesting funding to purchase LED light conversion kits for lights inside the station and for upgrades to the building and parking lot. They are requesting a support letter from the Board to submit with the application. On a motion by Supervisor Brookens, seconded by Supervisor Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to approve the support letter for the Franklin Fire Company T-Mobile Hometown Grant application and authorized the Board to sign.

The Solicitor had no comments.

On a motion by Supervisor Brookens, seconded by Supervisor Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to approve and authorize the payment of invoices as follows: check numbers 31961 through 31992 and two ACH transactions to be paid from the general fund, check numbers 3964 and 3965 to be paid from the liquid fuels fund, and check number 2317 to be paid from the electric light fund.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary/Treasurer