

February 13, 2018
Scotland, PA 17254
Public Hearing and
Regular Meeting

The Greene Township Board of Supervisors held a Public Hearing and Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at the Township Municipal Building, 1145 Garver Lane, Scotland, PA.

Present:

Todd E. Burns
Travis L. Brookens
Shawn M. Corwell

Gregory Lambert
Daniel Bachman
Diann Weller
Welton Fischer

Visitors: None

The Chairman called the Meeting to order at approximately 7:00 P. M..

The Chairman opened the Public Hearing to consider an Application for Conditional Use Permit (CUP) request for solar energy conversion system as submitted by Evgeniya Denisenko, 1150 Fiddlers Road; then turned to the Zoning Officer for an explanation of the request. The ZO stated the Township had received the request for a Conditional Use Permit which required a public hearing; the hearing was advertised twice as required in the local newspaper; property located in the R-2 (Medium Density Residential) zoning district; system will be roof mounted, a few inches above the roof; notice was forwarded to adjacent property owners and the ZO stated he had received no comments from any neighbors. He noted the comments of both the Township Planner and Township Engineer were included in their meeting packets. The Engineer stated that this application was the most complete he had seen to date noting all information was included plus additional. He stated he had no problem with the request and would recommend approval. The Chairman noted the absence of any public in attendance, therefore, there would be no public input to be received. The Chairman then closed the Public Hearing at approximately 7:03 P.M..

The Chairman asked the Zoning Officer if there had been any particular comment from the Township Planner to which the ZO stated 'no' but the applicant would be required to apply for a State Building Permit. Following review and consideration, on a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Conditional Use Permit Application request for 1150 Fiddler's Road, property of Evgeniya Denisenko, with the Planner's and Engineer's comments noted specifically a UCC Building Permit being required.

The Minutes from the Public Hearing and Regular Meeting held January 23, 2018 shall stand approved as presented and become part of the official record.

No public in attendance at this Meeting, therefore, no public comment received.

Supervisor Corwell presented a request for support letter for a County-wide emergency services study received from the Franklin County Emergency Services Alliance. He stated the number of volunteers are dwindling and the study will help to find ways to keep the current

volunteers and gain additional; keep current services the same in the future or improve. The Alliance is seeking grant funding and requesting support letters from County municipalities. He stated it would only involve a support letter at this time; no indication of any funds to be given. He noted the Franklin County Commissioners had signed a support letter this date. Supervisor Corwell stated the Alliance had formed a committee of municipal officials, police chief, fire chiefs, and they had created a list of questions and areas of concern; i.e. enough apparatus; implement a fire tax, etc; then each municipality will decide for itself what their next step would be. Following review and consideration, on a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Todd E. Burns, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to grant the request for support letter for County-wide emergency services study received from the Franklin County Emergency Services Alliance with the letter being forwarded to the Alliance.

The Chairman presented a request from the Borough of Chambersburg for support letter from the Township regarding the Chambersburg Natural Gas Pipeline Project. He stated the Borough is seeking grant funding for a natural gas line that would also benefit part of the Township. They are requesting a support letter to initiate their grant application for funding. The Solicitor stated he had double-checked and there was no anticipation of any funding being requested of the Township and the Borough had indicated that if there were any matching of funds to be done, they would be solely from the Borough. He further noted the only item the Borough would request of the Township would be to place some (gas) lines down Parkwood Drive. The Chairman asked the Township Engineer if he had reviewed the request and the Engineer stated only briefly having just been made aware of the Borough's letter of request. Supervisor Brookens asked if it was known if there was a grant deadline and the Chairman stated he had contacted the Borough but as of this Meeting he had not received a response. Chairman Corwell referred to a statement in the Borough's letter referencing "collaboration with a local natural gas provider ..." and questioned same. The Solicitor stated there is another gas distributor that has distribution lines in the Township and basically what would occur would be that the Borough would obtain the gas at wholesale cost and sell to natural gas providers that have territorial rights. The providers would then distribute to customers, handle all invoicing, etc. Supervisor Corwell noted concern that the Township does not know if there is a signed agreement between the appropriate entities; the Solicitor also did not know at this time. Supervisor Brookens stated he questioned the need for gas line when there are no other utilities and the Borough refuses to answer questions. Supervisor Corwell noted that just by looking at a map that each Board Member had received was no indication as to who was part of UGI or another. He further noted that it was not just Parkwood but also Franklin Square, Beechwood, Menno-Haven, all developments within the Borough, that appeared to be part of the proposed gas lines. The Solicitor stated the Borough will not go outside the (Borough) limits; they would only be selling to gas distributor. The Chairman noted the Borough is seeking grant funding and would install and own the lines. The supplier of gas would be Columbia Gas or UGI, whoever owns the lines; customers would connect with the supplier and then be billed by the providing gas company. The Solicitor stated his limited information at this time was only because the Chairman had wanted to know if there would be any financial commitment being requested/involved at this time. Again, it was noted that customers would not be paying the Borough for the gas but a gas company; Borough's concept will be to sell wholesale. Board Members expressed that they would have liked to have had information ahead of time in order

to review and consider before contemplating a support letter. Following discussion and consideration, on a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to table a letter of support for the Chambersburg Natural Gas Pipeline Project until further notice and further information is gained.

The Township Engineer noted that the Impact Fee Advisory Committee had a very low number of members, the Township is still collecting funds, and the Committee needs to meet. He stated that commitments were able to be secured from seven (7) individuals who are willing to serve on the Impact Committee. He further noted that it is good to re-confirm the Committee and who will be serving. The Township Solicitor prepared a new resolution with the members' names listed. Supervisor Corwell noted on the proposed resolution that one member's name (Shildt, not Schildt) has been misspelled. The Solicitor stated he would have the error corrected and a new resolution forwarded to the Township. Brief discussion was held as to whether members would or could be compensated to which the Engineer stated the Act did not allow it. Following review and discussion, on a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Shawn M. Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to adopt Township **Resolution No. 11-2018** to appoint the Impact Fee Advisory Committee with members listed.

The Township Secretary presented a listing of certain Township records that were ready for disposition according to the guidelines as set forth in the Pennsylvania Municipal Records Manual. She noted the information had been forwarded to the Township Solicitor for his review. The Solicitor stated he had reviewed the information and had no objection. On a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to adopt Township **Resolution No. 10-2018** to dispose of certain Township records according to the guidelines as set forth in the Pennsylvania Municipal Records Manual.

The Board reviewed the Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department Fire Police Monthly Report for January 2018. Following their review it was consensus of the Board to accept the Report as submitted and it becomes part of the official record.

The Zoning Officer presented and reviewed the Monthly Zoning Office Report for January 2018 with the Board. Following their review it was consensus of the Board to accept the Report as submitted and it becomes part of the official record.

The Zoning Officer presented a draft of various proposed amendments to the Township Code. He stated the Township Planning Commission had received a copy for their review at their meeting held February 12 (2018) as well as a copy also forwarded to the Township Planner for review. The ZO informed the Board that in order to adopt the proposed amendments it would be necessary to hold a public hearing. Following consideration, on a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to schedule a public hearing to consider proposed amendments to the Greene Township Code to be held April 10, 2018, at the Township Municipal Building, 1145 Garver Lane, Scotland, PA, at 7:00 P.M., prevailing time.

The Zoning Officer presented a request for review time extension of ninety (90) days submitted by Curfman & Zullinger Surveying, Inc., for the Jason Rissler 1-lot Final Land Development Plan; current deadline is February 15, 2018; finalizing minor revisions to the Plan and hopefully will be the last extension being requested. The Township received a revised Plan on this date and if all goes well, the ZO stated he would present the Plan at the next Regular Meeting. Following review and consideration, on a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Shawn M. Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to grant the request for review time extension of ninety (90) days for the Jason Rissler 1-Lot Final Land Development Plan commencing February 15, 2018.

The Zoning Officer presented the Dale Mummert 1-lot Final Subdivision/Lot Addition Plan for re-approval for recording purposes. He noted the Plan was approved February 14, 2017 and there were several conditions of that approval which have been completed. The Plan needs re-approval for recording; Plan has never left the Township office. He noted the conditions were as follows: (1) a statement being placed on the Plan that the person receiving the lot addition is willing to accept said addition; and, (2) placement of "lightning strike". He noted that both conditions were completed in the Township office and the Plan never left the office. Following review and consideration, on a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to re-approve the Dale Mummert 1-lot Final Subdivision/Lot Addition Plan for recording purposes.

The Chairman noted the annual recreation donations the Township forwards to four non-profit athletic organizations in the Township who are preparing for the upcoming season. He stated he would recommend release of those donations at this time as follows: Fayetteville Athletic Association, Greenvillage Athletic Association, Guilford Youth League, and the Scotland Community Center. Supervisor Corwell noted the previous donation to Scotland Athletic Association would now be directed to the Scotland Community Association. On a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Shawn M. Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to release the 2018 recreation donations to the designated organizations, as presented.

The Township Solicitor had no further comment to offer at this Meeting.

On a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to authorize the payment of invoices as follows: Check Numbers 26201 through 26229, three direct payments, four online payments, inclusive, to be paid from the General Fund; Check Numbers 3420 through 3424, one direct payment, inclusive, to be paid from the Liquid Fuels Fund; and, Check Number 2131 to be paid from the Electric Light Fund.

There being no further business before the Board for this Meeting, the Chairman adjourned at approximately 7:38 P.M..

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary