

December 26, 2017
Scotland, PA 17254
Regular Meeting

The Greene Township Board of Supervisors held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, December 26, 2017 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 Minutes of the Public Hearing and Regular Meeting held December 12, 2017 shall stand approved as presented and become part of the official record.

The Minutes of the Township Comprehensive Plan Update Meeting held November 21, 2017 shall stand approved as presented and become part of the official record.

There was no public present at this Meeting.

The Chairman presented an Agreement of Franklin County's Tourism and Quality of Life Enhancement Grant Program as awarded to the Township in conjunction with the (Township) Conococheague Trail Project. The grant information has finally been received and now the Township needs to authorize signature to execute the Grant Agreement. 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 signature of the Franklin County's Tourism and Quality of Life Enhancement Grant Program Agreement through the County and authorized the Chairman to sign that Agreement.

The Chairman stated the Township was awarded a \$100,000 Grant through the Watershed Restoration and Protection Program (WRPP) from the Commonwealth Financing Authority in conjunction with Representative Kauffman's office. The Authority specifically requested that two (2) Township 'officials' sign the two (2) Grant Agreements. Supervisor Brookens asked if the Authority stated exactly which two (2) 'officials'. The Board conferred with the Township Solicitor for his opinion and the Solicitor stated the Board should just name the individuals as requested. It was noted that one copy was for the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) and the other copy was for the Commonwealth Financing Authority. The Solicitor stated that if this were a corporation it would be the Chairman and Secretary but even though the Township is not a corporation, it could still stand as Chairman and Secretary. Following review and discussion, 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 signatures of the Watershed Restoration and Protection Program Grant Agreements with the Commonwealth Financing Authority by the Chairman and Secretary.

Supervisor Corwell presented a request from West End Fire & Rescue regarding box alarm changes; namely, removing one ladder truck from one box rather than dispatching two ladder trucks. Following review, on a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Shawn M. Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to approve the request for box alarm changes for West End Fire & Rescue as presented.

Supervisor Brookens presented a Proposal from YSM (yost strodoski mears), Consultant/Landscape Architect for the Township Park, for Phase II and finishing phase of the Park's Playground Project. He noted there is still some sidewalk that needs completed as well as bathroom facilities. This Proposal is for the production of bid documents and construction at a price of \$11,500. The Chairman stated they (YSM) had done a good job in the administration last time and would be in favor of entering into another Proposal. Following review, on a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Todd E. Burns, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Proposal from YSM (yost strodoski mears) for Phase II of the Greene Township Park Playground Project for the administration and bid documents in the total amount of \$11,500.

The Zoning Officer presented a request from Vince Elbel, Township S.E.O. (Sewage Enforcement Officer), for public sewer tap-in for Hudson Companies LDP, Black Gap Road. He noted the planning module had been submitted for this project; proposes subdivision and land development plan of approximately twenty-seven (27) acres. The land development plan would be for the construction of PA State Police Barracks on approximately 13-15 acre lot; construction would require two (2) edu's; module also proposes eight (8) edu's for the remaining (approximate) 15 acres. He noted for the remaining acreage there is no use intended at this time but a subdivision in the future would require 8 edu's and need another planning module; both lots served by Guilford Water Authority and Greene Township Municipal Authority. The Chairman inquired if two (2) ways in and out are being proposed and the ZO stated there is existing onto Route 997 (Black Gap Road) which is a State Highway. The ZO further noted that a preliminary, informal sketch had been submitted with the planning module. Supervisor Corwell inquired as to how the exact edu's were determined when it is not known what is going to be constructed on the remaining acreage. The ZO stated there would have to be at least one (1) edu required by PA DEP so they were using an estimate. Following further 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. 22-2017** from Vince Elbel, Township S.E.O., for public sewer tap-in for Hudson Companies, LDP, Black Gap Road.

The Township Engineer presented an amendment to PennDOT Agreement # 089866 for the Routes 11 and 997 Intersection Improvement Project to increase costs as identified in Exhibit "AA". He stated that in July (2017) it was recognized in the final phase there was an over-run due to asbestos removal of all the properties the Township acquired and cost the Township's payments to be withheld. The Engineer stated the Design Liaison (PennDOT) had retired and he was attempting to obtain more funds placed in that line item but it takes so long for those things to happen, etc. Now in December it finally came through the agreement to amend that which was added in the amount of \$60,000 into the final design line item. Once the amendment is signed the invoices owed to the Township can be paid. He reviewed cost figures

on Exhibit AA explaining what portions were paid by federal monies and what were Township monies; federal government pays the Commonwealth and then the Commonwealth pays the extra to the Township for the asbestos removal. Supervisor Brookens asked the Solicitor if he was satisfied with the proposed amendment to which the Solicitor stated he had not received a copy of the amendment to review for comment but would do so when he received a copy. The Engineer stated the original agreement had been created in 2012 and standard contract language was updated. The Solicitor informed the Board they could approve subject to his review. The Engineer stated that when there is a new contract, they have to update to current language. Following review and discussion, 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 Chairman to sign the amendment to PennDOT Agreement # 089866 for the Routes 11 and 997 Intersection Improvement Project to increase costs as identified in Exhibit "AA" and also have the Township Solicitor review the amendment.

The Zoning Officer presented a request for review time extension of ninety (90) days submitted by Byers & Runyon Surveying, Inc. for the Mann Investments Land Development Plan; current deadline is January 4, 2018; first extension request; at least two (2) revised plans have been submitted to address comments; Plan will return to the Township Planning Commission for review at their January (2018) Meeting. Following review, 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 for Mann Investments Land Development Plan for a period of ninety (90) days commencing January 4, 2018.

The Zoning Officer presented a request for waiver of Greene Township Code 85-51.A., *Requirement to Construct Sidewalks*, as submitted by Byers & Runyon Surveying, Inc. for the Mann Investments Land Development Plan; Plan is currently under review at the Township; propose construction of additional storage building; fronts on U.S. Route 30 (Fayetteville). The ZO noted, that as the Board has done in the past, if the request were approved then a note would need to be placed on the plan that if sidewalks were required in the future, the property owner would be required to install sidewalks. The Chairman asked if the proposed construction were to occur at their existing site and the ZO stated 'yes'. The ZO displayed the plan noting location of the proposed construction and additional paving. He further noted the Township has received at least two revised plans but there still are some comments that need to be addressed; Plan is scheduled to be reviewed by the Township Planning Commission at their January (2018) Meeting. The ZO stated the property is located directly across Route 30 from the Thomasville property and next to Perry Fence. The Chairman questioned that if they were to show (future) sidewalks on this Plan, where would they be shown? The ZO stated the Township Ordinance requires they be shown in the right-of-way to which the Chairman noted that would be a State right-of-way. The Solicitor stated that not only should the sidewalks be shown but also any grading that may be required so that if sidewalks had to be installed in the future, there would be the proper amount of area available. The Chairman and Board Members stated they would be more concerned with the location of future sidewalks rather than the grading issue at this time. Supervisor Brookens further stated it should be designed so that it does not affect any other facility whether a utility pole, etc. The Solicitor noted that approval of waivers are not permanent. The Township Engineer noted there are other utilities in that area, such as gas and water lines; alot going on in front of that property to be considered. The ZO showed (on the

the displayed Plan) where gas and water lines are located. Supervisor Brookens noted the right-of-way is shown as eighty feet (80') wide. The Solicitor felt that perhaps the gas line would be of more concern than water line when they begin construction. Following review and discussion, on a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to grant the request for waiver of Greene Township Code 85-51.A., *Requirement to Construct Sidewalks*, for the Mann Investments Land Development Plan with condition that a note be placed on the Plan stating that if the Township would deem it necessary to construct sidewalks in the future, the property owner would do so and also the location of said sidewalks be shown on the Plan.

There were no Subdivision and/or Land Development Plans to be presented at this Meeting.

The Chairman noted that James Renninger completed his six-month probationary period as a full-time employee in the middle of December and he would recommend that Mr. Renninger be considered as a 'regular full-time employee'. He stated Mr. Renninger has done an excellent job in the time he has been with the Township and that before his probationary status, he was a part-time plow operator. He further noted that Mr. Renninger brings alot of experience with him and would also recommend an increase in pay of \$1.00 per hour. Supervisor Corwell agreed with the Chairman and also stated Mr. Renninger has been doing a great job since he began employment with the Township. Supervisor Brookens also agreed with the Chairman and Supervisor Corwell and further noted that Mr. Renninger has done very well at the Park and has actually taken overseeing seasonal employees at the Park and is working out well. On a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to move James Renninger from probationary status to regular full-time status and with that an increase of \$1.00 per hour.

The Solicitor asked the Board that in addition to reviewing the PennDOT amendment, did they want him to also review the other agreements presented at this Meeting. The Chairman stated he felt it would be worthwhile and directed the Solicitor to review all.

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 26084 through 26108, three online payments, two credit card payments, inclusive, to be paid from the General Fund; Check Numbers 3411 through 3414, one online payment, inclusive, to be paid from the Liquid Fuels Fund; and, one online payment to be paid from the Electric Light Fund.

There being no further business before the Board for this Meeting, the Chairman adjourned at approximately 7:37 P.M..

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary