

February 12, 2019  
Scotland, PA 17254  
Regular Meeting

The Greene Township Board of Supervisors held their Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 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: See list

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

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held January 22, 2019 shall stand approved as presented and become part of the official record.

There was no public comment offered at this time.

The Zoning Officer presented a request for waiver of Greene Township Code 85-40.1.A(3), *Landscaping Within Parking Area*, on behalf of the new State Police Barracks being constructed along Black Gap Road. The ZO stated that when the Plan was approved the Township Ordinance required landscaping (i.e. trees) be planted around the parking area. He stated that correspondence received from the Station Commander stated that due to security concerns they were requesting that all landscaping trees proposed for the parking lots surrounding the Barracks and landscaping along the driveway leading to and from the Barracks be relocated on the property; said landscaping would impede security cameras placed on the property. Supervisor Corwell noted the area where Troopers park at the Barracks on Walker Road has no vegetation and in speaking with the Commander, he stated the extra trees would be planted around the shooting range. The Solicitor noted that with the trooper that was shot a few years ago, it was certainly understood why they would not want to allow any such situation occurring. 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 85-40.1.A(3), *Landscaping Within Parking Area*, for the State Police Barracks as presented.

The Zoning Officer presented a request for review time extension of sixty (60) days for Caretti's Land Development Plan; current deadline is February 25, 2019; second revised set of plans under review; third sixty-day extension being requested; usually review time extensions are requested for ninety (90) days; Guilford Water Authority has comments. 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 for sixty (60) days for Caretti's Land Development Plan to commence February 25, 2019.

The Zoning Officer presented a double-waiver request submitted by HRG Engineering on behalf of the Greenwood Hills Bible Conference Land Development Plan; said Plan currently in process at the Township. The first waiver being requested is for Greene Township Code 85-51.A.(1), *Location of Sidewalk*, and the second waiver being requested is for Greene Township Code 85-51.B., *Sidewalk Construction Standards*. The ZO stated the applicant proposes to

demolish the existing gym and construct a new one. He reviewed correspondence submitted by HRG outlining the reasons for the waivers being requested. As to location of the sidewalks, it is being requested they be located at a location that most directly connects the adjacent uses in the most direct pathway rather than placing along the roadway and not being utilized. The ZO stated the "sidewalk" is known more as a "walking trail" rather than a sidewalk. The Solicitor suggested the Board consider each waiver request separately. Discussion ensued regarding terminology being used (i.e. walking trail rather than sidewalk); how regulations affect private property as opposed to public; etc. The ZO noted the current roadway system loops throughout the development in a one-way pattern and all roads are private. The Township Engineer noted there are residents who own property within the development and not owned by the Conference. The Chairman commented that the Township Ordinance is not actually pertinent because the area is private property, privately owned roadways, etc. Supervisor Brookens disagreed stating the Ordinance requirements are not based on whether private or public property and just because this property is not public does not exempt it from the requirements. The Chairman questioned whether a wood chip trail would meet ADA requirements in reference to the applicant requesting the second waiver to use compacted wood chips rather than constructing sidewalks of concrete as the Ordinance requires. He further noted issues of seasonal maintenance of the trails (i.e. snow removal, leaves, weeds in summer, etc). The Chairman stated construction does not have to be concrete or paving but should be something similar that is more conducive to pedestrian, wheelchair, etc traffic. Supervisor Corwell referenced sidewalk construction on Parkwood and the Township Engineer noted they will be constructed (of concrete) once (building) construction begins. Following review, 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 grant the request for waiver of Greene Township Code 85-51.A(1), *Location of Sidewalk*, for the Greenwood Hills Bible Conference Land Development Plan. Further, on a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Shawn M. Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to deny the request for waiver of Greene Township Code 85-51.B, *Sidewalk Construction Standards*, for the Greenwood Hills Bible Conference Land Development Plan.

The Zoning Officer presented a Stormwater Management Plan for the Franklin County Regional Airport Authority in support of their proposed auxiliary taxiway construction project. The ZO reviewed the *Approval Checklist*, a copy of which had been provided to each Board Member for their review: Franklin County Planning Commission – N/A; Franklin County Conservation District – Approved NPDES Permit (2.5.19); Township Planner – comments have been addressed. The Township Engineer stated he had reviewed the proposed Plan and it includes two (2) detention basins, a large infiltration basin, as well as vegetation as stormwater controls. He stated he would recommend approval of the Plan and also concurs with the stormwater bond in the amount of \$239,135.12. 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 Franklin Regional Airport Authority Stormwater Management Plan with condition the stormwater bond in the amount of \$239,135.12 be posted.

Supervisor Corwell presented a quote for consideration to purchase one (1) new Skid Steer Sickle Bar Attachment submitted by Skid Steer Solutions. He stated it would be attached to the current Township vehicle known as "Blue", said vehicle attachment has not been working very well over the years. This new purchase would be attached to the current Skid Steer already owned by the Township; will cut up to tree limbs four to six inches in diameter; hydraulically operated;

able to get closer to cut items than previous equipment; if approved for purchase could be delivered in two to three weeks. He further noted the Road Foreman had contacted several other municipalities who own the same piece of equipment for their input and they stated (they) were pleased with its operation. He stated it is not possible to replace just the teeth on the current equipment; additionally, the new attachment has multiple uses. The Chairman noted expenses that have already been incurred plus other costs for parts, etc for the current equipment. He further stated the Township has not been able to trim along roadways the last few years due to the numerous breakdowns of the current equipment. He stated that spot trimming could be done but that takes so much manpower and time but not viable for large areas. 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 approve the purchase of One (1) New Skid Steer Sickle Bar Attachment from Skid Steer Solutions in the amount of \$8,995 as presented.

Supervisor Corwell presented proposed box alarm changes for West End Fire & Rescue noting the 9-1-1 Center has changed the types of alarms; call types such as carbon monoxide, inside investigations, fire reported out; also added units in the event that a unit fails to respond then another unit can be dispatched. He noted that Pleasant Hall (Volunteer Fire Department) has already submitted box alarm changes and are waiting for Fayetteville and Station 4 (Franklin's) to submit theirs also due to the County changes; also noted that Shippensburg has combined two units (52 and 53). He would recommend approval of these requested changes. 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 box alarm changes as requested for West End Fire & Rescue.

The Township Engineer informed the Board that a list of three (3) roads had been developed to be considered for road paving in 2019 and inquired whether the Board wished to consider the process, cold-in-place, as used last year. He stated the first step would be to core drill the roads and see what the bases showed; would include evaluation whether the process would be applicable and if so, then prepare bid documents for the work. The Chairman asked if the three roads being considered were Rice, Musser, and Cook Roads and the Engineer stated 'yes' and that in addition, Cook Road would also be widened and the road rebuilt. Supervisor Corwell noted this was the time of year to prepare and send out the bids; Supervisor Brookens concurred. The Chairman asked the Engineer how long for the coring process and the Engineer stated that bids could be accepted in early April; the earlier the better. 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 authorize the Township Engineer to prepare bid documents for 2019 road paving projects for Rice, Musser, and Cook Roads and pursue core drilling for determination of the road bases.

The Chairman noted that currently Rice and Musser Roads are not posted with speed limit signs and he has received requests to post the legal speed limits; presently the speed limit on both roads would be 55 mph. He noted there would need to be traffic studies performed for the posting of legal speed limit(s). He further stated the speed limit is already posted on Pine Stump Road and also there have been new homes built on Rice Road. Supervisor Brookens asked the Township Engineer if the traffic studies could be done in-house and the Engineer stated 'yes, they could'. On a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted the authorization of traffic study reports for the posting of legal speed limit on Rice and Musser Roads as presented.

The Township Engineer stated at a previous meeting the Board had authorized the submission of an application for proposed installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Kohler/Grandpoint/Parkwood. He stated the warrant studies have been completed and now in a position to submit those warrants. He stated a Township Resolution and PennDOT Form TE-160, *Application for Traffic Signal Approval*, is required to be submitted and there also needs to be a financial commitment letter from the Township; all part of the submission to PennDOT. The Chairman inquired if the Township had the warrant studies and the Engineer stated in the affirmative. He stated initially only data for 2017 was available but the PSP Commander was able to obtain more data. Discussion ensued among the Board Members; i.e. roadwork already completed, approximately two years for completion from time of PennDOT approval. 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 adopt Township **Resolution No. 8-2019** authorizing the Chairman to sign both PennDOT Form TE-160, *Application for Traffic Signal Approval*, and the Financial Commitment Letter for the signalization of the intersection of Kohler/Grandpoint/Parkwood for submission to PennDOT.

The Township Engineer presented a request to release a stormwater bond submitted by Mann Investments, LLC, in the amount of \$2,500. He stated at the last meeting the request was discussed but there was an outstanding balance and needed rectified before final consideration would occur. He stated the balance has been paid off and would recommend release of the bond. He stated he had inspected the required improvements and found the required rain garden was installed to the rear of the building. The Chairman inquired if the Engineer had received any further complaints from the neighbor and the Engineer stated he had spoken with the neighbor and is agreeable to what was done to rectify the problem. 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 grant the request to release a stormwater bond submitted by Mann Investments, LLC, in the amount of \$2,500, as requested.

The Township Secretary presented Township **Resolution No. 9-2019** to dispose of certain Township records according to the guidelines as set forth in the Pennsylvania Municipal Records Manual. The proposed list of records to be disposed as noted on the Resolution was forwarded to the Township Solicitor and after one minor addition, he stated it was ready for the Board's consideration. Following review of the Resolution as presented, 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. 9-2019** 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 as submitted. Supervisor Corwell stated that Mr. Balsley is doing well after knee replacement surgery. It was consensus of the Board the Report shall become a part of the official record.

The Zoning Officer presented the Monthly Zoning Office Report for the Board's review. The ZO reviewed the Zoning Hearing Board Applications received and also noted that Rutter's Store is appealing; these items will be presented for review by the Zoning Hearing Board at their next meeting to be held Monday, February 25. It was consensus of the Board the Report shall become a part of the official record.

Supervisor Brookens who serves as the Director of Parks and Recreation stated the Township budgets recreation donations each year to certain teams that provide recreation to Township residents and last year each of the four teams received \$6,000 (each). He stated that Greenvillage (Youth League) had paving done to their parking area and have requested their contribution be used to offset that expense. Supervisor Brookens noted the other three teams as being Scotland Youth League, Fayetteville Athletic Association, and Guilford Athletic Association. He further noted that Scotland Youth League's property is also owned by the Scotland Community Association who also owns the fields and Community enter. He stated the donations are given for the maintenance and upkeep of the facilities and not for any other purpose to any organization. He stated that when the donations were originally issued the thought was that since the Township did not have recreation facilities at that time that the purpose should remain the same for the teams. The Chairman stated he had spoken to someone of the Scotland Community Association to discuss the issue of funds possibly being used for other purpose(s) and has made an appointment to discuss the issue further in more detail. The Solicitor recommended the donation to the Scotland Youth League be held until the issue is resolved. The Chairman concurred and recommended authorizing the release of the donations to three teams and hold Scotland's until all has been clarified. Following review and consideration, on a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Todd E. Burns, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to authorize the release of 2019 recreation donations in the amount of \$6,000 to Scotland Youth League, Guilford Athletic Association, and Fayetteville Athletic Association.

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 27235 through 27282, five direct deposits, and three credit card payments, inclusive, to be paid from the General Fund; Check Numbers 3512 through 3517, inclusive, to be paid from the Liquid Fuels Fund; and, Check Numbers 2161 and 2162, and one direct deposit, inclusive, to be paid from the Electric Light Fund.

There being no further business to be presented at this Meeting, the Chairman adjourned at approximately 7:58 P.M..

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary