

July 23, 2019
Scotland, PA 17254
Regular Meeting

The Greene Township Board of Supervisors held their Regular Meeting on Tuesday, July 23, 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

Visitor: See list

The Chairman called the Meeting to order at approximately 12 Noon.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held July 9, 2019 shall stand approved and become part of the official record.

The Township Engineer noted it had been brought to the Roadmaster's attention that Sampache Drive was posted at 30 mph and area residents felt it should be 25 mph. He researched the inquiry and discovered that an Ordinance had been adopted in 1991 that restricted the speed limit to 30 mph on all dead-end streets at that time with Sampache being included in the list of each street affected. A copy of the 1991 Ordinance (No. 2-1991) was distributed to the Board and staff for their review and reference. He stated that in reviewing the streets listed that most (99%) were residential streets and that only two that might not (Henry and Stillhouse Hollow Roads) but still located in residential areas. The Solicitor informed the Board they should repeal Ordinance No. 2-1991 and replace with an ordinance establishing all appropriate streets in one ordinance for 25 mph. He stated the Board would be considering at this Meeting to establish 25 mph for the listed streets and any other that may need posted and repeal the previous ordinance. The Solicitor clarified that those streets that qualify by State statute are entitled to be 25 mph and the Township only needs a resolution to post. However, since the Township has an ordinance for the speed limit it cannot be changed by a resolution; can only change an ordinance with an ordinance. Therefore, he can repeal this existing ordinance and establish all appropriate streets with 25 mph, thereby if the Township is doing a new ordinance, they do not need to prepare separate resolutions for each street speed limit but use one document to accomplish both purposes. He reminded the Board they cannot do less but can do more. The Chairman stated he found several roads that were not listed due to the year originally adopted. Supervisor Brookens inquired what would occur if roads built after 1991 in the same development were already posted at 30 mph. He further noted as to plans that had already been received having a traffic study that indicated 30 mph rather than 25 mph and concerned with having different speed limits within the same development. The streets that could be affected by the proposed ordinance and not currently posted will need to be sorted out. The Engineer stated it will be very time consuming but now would be the time to include all that need posted. Supervisor Brookens noted possibly being able to use PennDOT's listing. The Chairman noted a street currently listed at 30 mph but posted 25 mph and also after checking a number of streets found the majority are not listed nor posted. The Solicitor noted that if there are many roads affected it could be a significant expense. The Chairman

acknowledged that possibility but stated he would rather have the roads posted correctly now and that it would be more costly to go back later and change signs, etc. 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 authorize the Township Solicitor to advertise and prepare an ordinance to establish legal speed limit on various Township roadways with a public hearing to be held September 10, 2019 at the Greene Township Municipal Office Building, 1145 Garver Lane, Scotland, PA, at the regularly scheduled Supervisors Meeting commencing at 7 o'clock P.M., prevailing time.

The Zoning Officer presented a 1-lot Final Subdivision/Lot Addition Plan submitted by Chambersburg Saddle Club; proposed lot addition (identified as Parcel A) comprised of approximately 1/3 acre to be conveyed from their property to lands owned by Timothy and Loretta Myers, Black Gap Road; property zoned R-1 (Low Density Residential); served by both public water and public sewer. The ZO reviewed the *Approval Checklist*, a copy of which had been provided to each Board Member for their review: Franklin County Planning Commission – reviewed with no comment (7.12.19); Non-Building Waiver forwarded to PA DEP (7.9.19); reviewed by both Township Planner and Township Engineer and neither had any further comments, finding the plan to be satisfactory and recommending approval. Plan was staff reviewed on behalf of the Township Planning Commission with no comment and recommended approval (7.23.19). Supervisor Brookens inquired as to cross-hatching that appeared on the plan to which the ZO stated it is an existing encroachment of neighbor's fence with existing shed; ZO stated he had no way of knowing how long the shed was in place. Ms. Myers addressed the Board stating that neither property owners had a problem with the slight encroachment and noted the shed had been in existence for at least 20 or more years. There were no further comments from the Board or staff. 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 1-lot Final Subdivision/Lot Addition Plan for Chambersburg Saddle Club as presented.

The Chairman stated that at a previous meeting Anti-Skid was not awarded but since had time to reach out to vendors who had not bid and would like to open for comment requesting to receive sealed bids for the re-bid of 2019 Anti-Skid. 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 receipt of sealed bids for the re-bid of 2019 Anti-Skid to be received no later than 3:00 P.M., prevailing time, August 13, 2019, at the Greene Township Municipal Office Building, then to be opened and read aloud at the regularly scheduled Supervisors Meeting that evening at 7 o'clock P.M., prevailing time.

The Township Solicitor had no further comment to offer.

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 27743 through 27769, two credit card payments, three direct deposits, inclusive, to be paid from the General Fund; Check Numbers 3552 through 3555, inclusive, to be paid from the Liquid Fuels Fund; and, Check Numbers 2177 and 2178, 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 12:22 P. M..

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary