

Springfield Township, Bucks County
Board of Supervisors

MINUTES

April 25, 2017

Supervisors Present: Karen Bedics, Volker Oakey, Rob Zisko.

Also present: Scott MacNair (solicitor), Michael Brown (Township Manager), and Chief McDonald.

Chairperson Zisko called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and announced the Board met in executive session to discuss a matter of potential litigation.

Motion by Ms. Bedics, seconded by Mr. Zisko, to approve the March 28, 2017 minutes. All in favor. Motion carries.

Hans Reimann thanked everyone involved in the Cooks Creek watershed cleanup on April 1st, and reported he was going to walk the PPL property on Hickon Road May 7th with members of the Park and Rec Board.

Fire Chief Chris Trauger reported the fire company had now voted to replace its 1981 fire engine.

Karen Bedics and Sue Ziegler thanked the members of the fire company who assisted with a fatal car accident last weekend.

Bills (March 24th-April 19th 2017)

General Fund	\$45,575.01	Open Space Fund	\$771.90
Capital Reserve Fund	\$3,911.01	Liquid Fuels Fund	\$0
Escrows	\$1,417.36	Street Light Fund	\$377.90

Motion by Volker Oakey, seconded by Karen Bedics to pay the bills list. All in favor. Motion carries.

Reports

Road hours (March 21-April 17):

Road Maintenance	203 Hours	Equipment Maintenance	157 hours
Building Maint & Construction	120 Hours	Sign Maintenance	5 hours
Winter Maintenance	27 Hours	Park Maintenance	4 hours
Admin	22 Hours		

Police Department—Chief McDonald reported 229 calls for service in February, 26 handled by PSP.

Treasurer Fund Balances as of April 19, 2017:

General Fund	\$732,267.87	Liquid Fuels	\$315,875.35
Open Space	\$894,969.95	Street Light	\$4,612.54
Escrow	\$427,475.94	Special Fees	\$106.09
Capital Reserve	\$112,618.90	Sewer Maint Escrow	\$84,040.14

Business

Kelly variance for accessory structures (TMP 42-12-49-3)—The applicant was not present. The Kelly's have applied for a variance to allow a pole barn and smaller accessory shed violate the rear and side yard setbacks. The structures were erected without a permit by the previous owners and it was discovered during a resale inspection. The Kelly's agreed to assume responsibility for the violation.

Motion by Karen Bedics, seconded by Rob Zisko, for the Township to take no position on the application. In favor—Zisko, Bedics. Opposed--Oakey. Motion fails. The Board did not take a position on the application.

Bradley/Cortner lot line adjustment plan (TMP 42-9-133-1 & 133)—The applicant was represented by Todd Myers, PE of Cowan Associates. The applicant proposes to make the 2 lots roughly coequal in size at 30 acres each. Both parcels currently have a single family detached dwelling and various accessory buildings. Both lots have structures on the Historic Resource List. The applicant will eventually demolish the existing house and stable on 42-9-133-1 and build a new single family dwelling.

Motion by Rob Zisko, seconded by Volker Oakey, to grant waivers as requested in the applicant's March 8, 2017 letter and approve the Bradley/Cortner Lot Line Adjustment Plan drawn by Cowan Associates dated 2/1/2017, last revised 3/2/2017, under the condition the applicant shall comply with the outstanding items in the Township Engineer's review letter dated March 24, 2017 with the exception of Comment #2. All in favor. Motion carries.

Asset Sales—Motion by Karen Bedics, seconded by Volker Oakey, to endorse the sale of Township personal property at auction in the following amounts: Dodge Durango--\$2,600.50, Wacker roller--\$4150, Geramov tar buggy--\$1000.

The Jeep Cherokee also sold; however, the buyer requested a refund because the check engine light was not disclosed at the time of sale and the cost to repair is unknown.

Motion by Karen Bedics, seconded by Volker Oakey, to authorize a refund to Tom Leahan for the sales price and applicable sales taxes and to authorize the Township Manager to sign necessary documents. All in favor. Motion carries.

Ms. Deb Yerger offered to file the necessary forms with PennDot to get the sales tax refunded and returned to the Township.

Meeting room carpet—Motion by Karen Bedics, seconded by Rob Zisko, to replace the meeting room carpet at an approximate cost of \$2600. All in favor. Motion carries.

2017 Sealcoating bids—Motion by Rob Zisko, seconded by Volker Oakey, to authorize bid creation and advertisement of approximately 4.75 miles of Township roads. All in favor. Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Brown, Township Manager

Approved: