

Board of Supervisors

MINUTES

April 12, 2022

IN-PERSON - VIRTUAL OPTION AVAILABLE

Supervisors Present: Jim Hopkins, Tony Matzura, Jim Nilsen, Pete Kade and Bill Ryker.

Also present: Scott MacNair, Esq. (Township Solicitor) and Jason Wager (Township Manager).

Mr. Hopkins called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No public comment was given.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Ratify Citation to Ron Fox, Resolution 2022-08 – Motion by Mr. Nilsen, seconded by Mr. Kade and unanimously carried, adopting Resolution 2022-08 Issuing a Citation to Ron Fox of the Springtown Rod & Gun Club.

Ratify Appointment of Administrative Assistant / Permit Coordinator – Motion by Mr. Ryker, seconded by Mr. Nilsen and unanimously carried, ratifying the job offer to Lisa Gerhart as the Administrative Assistant / Permit Coordinator at the rate of \$19.50/hour with the start date of April 18, 2022.

Estates of Hearthstone – Extension of Time – Motion by Mr. Matzura, seconded by Mr. Kade and unanimously carried, accepting the six (6) month grant extension of time to November 11, 2022 from HNT Engineering and Surveying, for the Estates of Hearthstone Development.

Herz Property Agreement – Motion by Mr. Nilsen, seconded by Mr. Kade and unanimously carried, authorizing the Chair to sign the Settlement Agreement between the Estate of Julius M. Herz, Heritage Conservancy, Springfield Township and the County of Bucks for TMP # 42-017-079 (3795 Route, 212, Riegelsville, PA 18077) to remediate the violation of the conservation easement on the property and further, authorize the Chair to sign any other paperwork necessary to complete the sale of the conservation easement.

2022 Road Project Bid Awards – Motion by Mr. Ryker, seconded by Mr. Kade and unanimously carried, accepting the bid from Asphalt Maintenance Solutions, LLC in the amount of \$3.49/SY or \$196,155.45 for the 2022 Bituminous Seal Coating and further, authorize the Township Manager to sign all necessary paperwork to complete the project.

Motion by Mr. Nilsen, seconded by Mr. Matzura and unanimously carried, accepting the bid from Bray Brothers, Inc in the amount of \$93.96/SY or \$89,262 for the 2022 Superpave Project and further authorize the Township Manager to sign all necessary paperwork to complete the project.

Township Property Stormwater Plan – Motion by Mr. Kade, seconded by Mr. Matzura and unanimously carried, authorizing the purchase of culvert pipe and storm sewer inlets not to exceed \$58,000.

CONDITIONAL USE HEARING

Solicitor, Scott MacNair, Esq., commenced the continued conditional use hearing. The hearing was held in person at the Springtown Fire Hall and made available via Zoom, telephone call and radio broadcast. Joseph LaFlamme, Esq. performed cross examination of Clean Air Council's expert geologist, Amy Parrish. Ms. Parrish testified that she has limited experience using MODFLOW. Ms. Parrish testified that MODFLOW has limitations when used to predict impacts involving diabase geology. She also provided testimony concerning the watershed boundary line and her recommendation to address the watershed boundary that is located to the north of the northern quarry pit. Ms. Parrish agreed that the zones of influence for the north and south pit do not overlap and that DEP recognizes a 10' drawdown as the limit of the zone of influence. Following Ms. Parrish's testimony, the Clean Air Council called Mary Ann Clair as its next witness. Ms. Clair resides at 1574 Salem Road which is located near the proposed south extraction pit. Ms. Clair testified concerning the natural features and improvements on her property, as well as the characteristics of the neighborhood. She then provided testimony concerning her concerns related to the proposed quarry.

The Board of Supervisors announced that the next conditional use hearing would be held on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. The hearing was adjourned at approximately 10:15 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Rosi Mcilwain, 1879 Pleasant View Road, expressed concern about code enforcement.

OTHER BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Hopkins stated that the Township is looking for community involvement in the Comprehensive Plan. He also advised that he spoke with the Springtown Water Authority and invited them to the May 24, 2022 Board Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Nilsen seconded by Mr. Matzura and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:28p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason A. Wager
Township Manager