



Allen Township Supervisors

4714 Indian Trail Road

Northampton, Pennsylvania 18067

ALLEN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

A **General Meeting** of the Allen Township Supervisors was held on Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. at the Allen Township Municipal Building, 4714 Indian Trail Road, Northampton, Pennsylvania 18067. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Chairman Larry Oberly.

Roll Call: Bruce Frack - Present; Larry Oberly - Present; Gerald Montanari - Present; Dale N. Hassler – Present; Gary Behler - Present; Robert Cox, P.E., P.L.S. (Barry Isett & Associates, Inc.) – Present; B. Lincoln Treadwell, Jr. Esq. - Present; and Ilene M. Eckhart – Present

Public to be Heard: No Public Comments

Public Hearings:

Zoning Ordinance Amendment Draft Ordinance 2018-01: Mr. Behler made a motion to open the hearing; seconded by Mr. Montanari. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes. See full stenographic record of Public Hearing. Mr. Treadwell explained that Ordinance 2018-01 Amendment removes the Single Family Cluster use from the Zoning Ordinance. Secondly provision of this Amendment are to increase the one acre minimum lot size in the Rural Zoning District to a two-acre minimum lot size requirement. Mr. Cox explained that a two acre lot is needed for a well, sewage disposal, and stormwater infiltration. There is not enough room for everything with one acre.

Following public comments received on the record, Mr. Hassler made a motion to close the hearing; seconded by Mr. Behler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes. Mr. Behler made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-01 as published; seconded by Mr. Montanari. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

Official Map Amendment Draft Ordinance 2018-02: Mr. Hassler made a motion to open the hearing; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes. The Amendment is to delete the extension of West Stagecoach Road (as a trail extension) as well as the extension of Woodmoor Road from the Official Map. Following public comments received on the record, Mr. Behler made a motion to close the hearing; seconded by Mr. Montanari. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes. Mr. Behler made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-02 as published; seconded by Mr. Hassler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

Approval of Minutes: Tabled until June 26, 2018 meeting

Reports

A. Treasurer: Mr. Hassler made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay the bills; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

B. Solicitor:

i. Rockefeller Industrial Land Development Lot #5: Mr. Treadwell stated that the Rockefeller Group is ready to begin construction on the lot improvements and that they are requesting the Township to consider Limited Construction Agreement which would allow for construction activities to commence prior to the recording of the Preliminary/Final Plan. Mr. Behler made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the Limited Construction Agreement for the Rockefeller Industrial Land Development Lot #5; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

ii. Intermunicipal Sewer Service Agreement Amendment (Hanover Township, Lehigh County/ Catasauqua Borough) : Mr. Treadwell explained that in order to draft a Sanitary Sewer Disposal Agreement for Rockefeller Industrial Land Development for Lot #5 and Lot #4, an amendment to the existing Intermunicipal Cooperation Ordinance that sets forth the terms of the Agreements, specific to Lot #4 and #5 capacity. Mr. Hassler made a motion to authorize the drafting of the Rockefeller Industrial Land Development Lot #4 and #5 Intermunicipal Sewer Service Agreements and to draft advertise the amended Intermunicipal Cooperation Ordinance accordingly; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

C. Engineer:

i. Coplay/Northampton Bridge Beam Transport- Request for Entry Agreement Howertown Park & Short Lane: Mr. Larry Franko, PE, Pennoni Engineering, Project Manager for Lehigh/Northampton County Coplay Bridge Replacement explained that there is a beam delivery scheduled around July 16th to go through Rt 329. He said the contractor is requesting a Right of Entry Agreement for Short Lane and Howertown Park. The proposed delivery through these areas of Township owned property include the delivery of 10 beams within a 3-day delivery window. Mr. Cox said PennDOT has indicated they were looking into revisions to the permit to deliver the beams that would allow night time delivery. Mr. Franco advised that PennDOT probably will not allow night time delivery because of the increase in safety hazard and that PennDOT would have to override their contract in order to allow for night delivery. There was a discussion regarding the size of the beams and capacity for this weight to cross the newly paved Short Lane Cul-de-sac. Mr. Hassler asked about a Performance Bond. Mr. Treadwell said he will look into the appropriate financial security to protect the Township for any damages that might occur over the Township's property requested for use. Following some further discussion, the Board agreed to table the matter until the next meeting on June 26th.

ii. Salt Shed- Bid Document Drafts: Mr. Cox gave an overview of the Salt Shed project. He passed out site plans which shows the final configuration for the salt shed. The full packet will be submitted for the meeting on June 26, 2018.

iii. Stone Ridge, Graystone Drive Paving- Recommendation to Accept with Conditions: Mr. Cox stated that this would be a good time to have a meeting with the developer and finalize everything. He recommended the Board not consider authorization of the financial release until all outstanding issues are resolved. Mr. Hassler made a motion to follow the Engineer's recommendation to hold off on the requested financial release until all outstanding punch list items are corrected; seconded by Mr. Behler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors voted yes.

iv. Sewer System Permit Package Draft: Ms. Eckhart and Mr. Cox prepared a draft of checklist items needed for Sewer System Permits for people who come into the office. The final package will be tabled until the meeting on June 26, 2018.

Planning/Zoning/Code Enforcement:

i. Zoning Map Amendment Items- Further Discussion: Mr. Eckhart questioned the wish of the Board in regards to the Zoning Map. Ms. Eckhart noted the Planning Commission's recommendations per their meeting in May 2018 as follows:

1. Former Atlas Quarry property, area North of quarry (closed portion) and Horner Rd (Horwith) change from IC (Industrial Commercial) to Rural.

2. Horwith Lane East Side (Livengood)- Currently zoned as R3 (High Density Residential). Planning Commission recommendation is to leave that area as R3 (High Density Residential).

3. Krapf Quarry/ Savage Road frontage (2 areas)-

A. East of Savage Road/west of Dry Run Creek-

The Planning Commission recommendation is to change the zoning from Industrial to Neighborhood Commercial.

B. Krapf Quarry East of Dry Run Creek -

The Planning Commission recommendation is to change the zoning from Industrial to R2 (Medium Density Residential).

4. Between Howertown and Seemsville Road (Jaindl & Nagy)- The Planning Commission recommendation is to leave this area as is on current Zoning map, IC (Industrial Commercial). The strip of property along 329 is currently zoned R2 (Medium Density Residential).

Mr. Oberly made a motion to follow the Planning Commission recommendations concerning the items #2 and #4 above; seconded by Mr. Montanari. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes with the exception of Mr. Hassler who voted no. Mr. Hassler indicated he wished the areas to remain Rural.

Mr. Behler made a motion to authorize the preparing of the Zoning Ordinance Map Amendments and advertise for a public hearing in accordance to the recommendations received from the Planning Commission; seconded by Mr. Montanari. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

ii. Fireworks Regulations / Township Ordinance: The Board discussed the local dilemma of the new State Law concerning the availability of fireworks to the public. Following some discussion regarding an appropriate end time for displays, duration of displays and location limitations the Board agreed by consensus to table the matter until further notice.

Road Superintendent/Public Works Leader: On file

Fire Company: Mr. Hassler provided a verbal report for the Fire Company for May.

Emergency Management Coordinator: Mr. Krill gave a verbal report for May.

Parks:

i. Covered Bridge- Kreidersville Road Access Gate Proposal: Ms. Eckhart updated the Board with estimates from Anchor Fence for 134' X 4' pressure treated lumber including a 10 foot wide double swing gate on pressure treated wood for \$2,200. She obtained an estimate for an optional bid for a double barrier pipe gate for \$1,795. She is still looking for a supplier for concrete posts for a split rail.

Nazareth Council of Government: Mr. Krill gave a verbal report for May. He questioned the Board regarding the "Pibbles And Paws" program through the non-profit organization which will take care of Townships that have a dog program. The cost is .50 per person. Mr. Behler said he wasn't aware that there was a dog issue in the Township and that we should not be a part of this group. Mr. Oberly said we are not interested in this program at this time.

First Regional Compost Authority: Mr. Oberly advised he will report under New Business

Stormwater: Ms. Eckhart had nothing to report regarding this topic. She indicated the MS4 PRP Draft will be presented in July.

Unfinished Business

A. Radar Speed Signage Project, Bids Received and Recommendation to Award: Mr. Cox reviewed the bids received the bids received in response to the solicitation as follows:

Contractor	Bid Amount
C.M. High Inc.	\$64,500.00
Garden State Highway Products, Inc. \$10,995.00 x 6 =	\$65,970.00
RPM Signs and Lighting	\$72,924.00

C.M. High Inc. is the apparent low bidder. We have reviewed their complete submission and believe that their bid is responsive.

The Garden State Highway Products, Inc. letter explaining their error in entering their bid in PennBid will result in a written withdrawal of the bid pursuant to correspondence received from the contractor. They inadvertently entered a cost for 'each' and not the lump sum for all six signs.

This was a project funded by a grant that we received by Monroe County Game. Mr. Hassler made a motion to authorize the bid to C.M. High Inc. in the amount of \$64,500.00; seconded by Mr. Behler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

B. Electronic Recycling Township Event- Saturday, June 16th 9 AM- 1 PM: Mr. Oberly reminded everyone that there will be an Electronic Recycling Township Event on Saturday, June 16th 9AM until 1PM at the Allen Township Fire Company and that all Allen Township residents can get one item that they choose, recycled for free.

New Business

A. Yard Waste Drop Off/Compost Pick-Up Site At Allen Township Building: Mr. Oberly explained that the Code Enforcement Office and he have been working on who is responsible for the illegal dumping and that if the grinder has to be replaced, the repair bill can be as high as \$90,000. He said there is a great deal of abuse and that people are coming from out of the area to bring stuff. We are now open from 7AM-3PM Monday-Friday. First Regional Compost Authority is open on weekends for residents. For now, the Township drop off site will be locked daily (weekdays) at 3 PM. Mr. Behler disagreed having it locked up but agreed that we need better tracking and that it is unfortunate to have it locked. Mr. Hassler brought up having it open for a few hours on a Saturday, twice a month, under supervision. Mr. Hassler stated we should get new cameras at different locations to get clear details.

Public to be Heard: Robert Hosking, West Stagecoach Road voiced concerns regarding the importance of Allen Township's implantation of an Environment Advisory Council due to issues in the Township. He provided the Board with a sample Environment Advisory Council Ordinance their review and asked to have this on the agenda at the next meeting.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ilene M. Eckhart