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TINICUM TOWNSHIP

Bucks County

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

163 Municipal Road
Pipersville, Pennsylvania 18947

VINCENT J. DOTTI, CHAIRPERSON
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JOHN BLANCHARD, SUPERVISOR

Tinicum Township Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes March 21, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm. Supervisors Dotti, Rosamilia and Blanchard were present with Solicitor Harris and Township Manager Teri Lewis. There were approximately 16 people in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance- Dotti led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- A. Emergency Services**
- B. Public Comment Session**

D. Aherne thanked the BOS for their resolution on the PennEast pipeline and noted that some neighboring townships were having their solicitors file a “motion to intervene out of time.” Harris said he would contact the township solicitor and find out the information.

Dotti asked Harris what responsibility the Township had for a potentially hazardous tree in the Township’s right of way. Harris said while the Township had an easement but it was the obligation of the adjoining property owner to take down the tree or do whatever is necessary.

J. Salamun asked for a status update on the possible meeting between Secretary Richards and the BOS. The BOS agreed to send Dotti’s letter because it was to the point. The letter included a request to meet with Richards with a small focused group to work on the bridge getting restored; setting up an endowment to fund the bridge and it included the public safety issues.

Motion by Blanchard, seconded by Rosamilia, to send the Dotti letter with the correct time period. Voted upon and passed.

K. Auerbach asked if the BOS would consider some of her ideas on a public-private partnership as a method of pursuing the rehabilitation of the bridge. Rosamilia said that they were looking to participate in the PennDOT Connects program.

T. Lewis explained the new PennDOT Connects program and read the draft letter to Secretary Richards. She noted that there were 2 additional bridges: the Creamery Road bridge and the Golden Pheasant bridge that were not in good condition that she requested adding to this program and asked if the Headquarters Road bridge project could be reviewed under the new Connects program.

Motion by Dotti, seconded by Blanchard, to send the letter to Secretary Richards. Voted upon and passed.

K. Auerbach asked who was responsible for taking the cut trees out of the creek. Dotti said that T. Lewis would look into the situation.

K. Auerbach asked for the status of the letter to the Historical & Museum Commission regarding the Erwin McGee house. The BOS approved the text of the letter with some additional language from B. Wallace.

Motion by Blanchard, seconded by Rosamilia, to send the letter. Voted upon and passed.

J. Salamun asked if PennDOT was going to spray the roads this year. Harris said that PennDOT had the authority to clear brush and spray in their right of way. Dotti added that Chief Sabath had been in contact with PennDOT to request notification when they were going to spray and what chemicals they were using.

- C. Old Business
- D. New Business

Resolution amending the fee schedule to reflect the changes to electric and roof permit requirements approved at the March 7, 2017.

T. Lewis explained that residents will be allowed to choose their own PA certified electrical underwriter but the Township must still take an application and have the building inspection check it. She said that there would be a small fee for this procedure that included the required UCC fee.

Motion by Dotti, seconded by Rosamilia, to approve the resolution to amend the fee schedule. Voted upon and passed.

Bucks County Department of Health requests a letter granting permission to treat the municipal properties for mosquito control to help reduce the spread of West Nile Virus and to monitor for Zika virus.

Motion by Dotti, seconded by Blanchard to approve the request and send the letter. Voted upon and passed.

1) Minutes: Motion by Blanchard, seconded by Rosamilia, to approve the Minutes of the March 7, 2017 Meeting as written. Voted upon and passed.

2) Treasurer's Report & Budget Recap: The Treasurer's Report and Budget Recap for February 2017 are available on the bulletin board for public review.

3) Payroll Report: Motion by Dotti, seconded by Rosamilia, to accept the Payroll Report for the period ending March 17, 2017 in the amount of \$ 29,701.73. Voted upon and passed.

4) Disbursements: Motion by Dotti, seconded by Blanchard, to approve the below listed disbursements. Voted upon and passed.

General Fund	Amount	Memo
Harris and Harris	\$4,229.25	Legal Services February
M. Phelan	\$3,000.00	H.S.A. Health
Internal Revenue Service	\$2,202.33	FICA Tax Match
Wehrung's	\$80.81	Police Supplies
Staples	\$211.34	Staples
Personal Protection Consultants	\$299.00	Certification Fee - Compas
Courier Times, Inc.	\$395.36	Ordinance Amendment Advertising
Campbell Durrant Beatty Palombo & Miller PC	\$300.00	American Arbitration Admin fee
Grim, Biehn and Thatcher	\$84.00	Review of McCandles zhb
Ricoh Americas Corp	\$153.36	Copier/Scanner/Printer copy count
WEX, Inc	\$1,958.19	Police Fleet Fuel 0496-00-178859-5
Staples	\$141.97	Staples
Campbell Durrant Beatty Palombo & Miller PC	\$162.50	Review Settlement - Police Contract
VISA	\$322.16	PSATS books/ Police Uniform Supplies / keyboard replacement
Ricoh Americas Corp	\$256.78	Copier/Scanner/Printer copy lease

Service Electric Telephone	\$359.30	Telephone Service
Solar City	\$145.00	Refund of Permit Fees /Withdrawn
United Inspection Agency, Inc.	\$505.00	Electrical Review and Inspection Services
Brandt, Jeremy R.	\$381.98	Contracted Snow Removal
Payroll Fund	Amount	Memo
Payroll for pay period ending 3-17-17	\$21,619.14	Paychecks
Internal Revenue Service	\$5,671.54	Employer Tax Withheld
PA Dept of Revenue	\$883.82	Employer Tax Withheld
State Fund	Amount	Memo
Suburban Propane	1056.3	Diesel Fuel
Vanderlely Truck Service	102.72	replacement for 2016 destroyed ck
Vanderlely Truck Service	1584.67	Vehicle Repair parts (96 Ford and refurbish)
Winzer	183.02	Hardware / Supplies
Wehrung's	223.3	Hardware / Supplies
ABE Materials	1361.53	Stone
Dejana Equipment	1108.43	Warning Light Assy's and hardware
M & W Communications	693	Two way Radio - Public Works
Plasterer Equipment Co.	182.44	Public Works Supplies
Escrow Fund	Amount	Memo
Harris and Harris	\$500.50	Legal Services February

5) A. Planning

Zoning Ordinance amendments to include definition of the terms “qualifying improvement” and “non-qualifying improvement” setting forth the terms of the overlay districts, establishing increased setbacks for accessory structures in excess of 800 square feet and 20 feet in height, establishing that nonconforming setbacks do not apply to new structures, and elimination of reference to the environmental advisory committee and replacement with Planning Commission.

Dotti said that the PC will review the ordinance amendments at their March 28th meeting. Harris asked if he should advertise the adoption of the current draft of the ordinance for the second meeting in April or should he hold off until after the March 28th PC and the BOS meeting in April. He said that would make the adoption at the May 2nd meeting. The BOS agreed to wait until after the BOS meeting on April 4th.

B. Subdivision & Land Development

6) Zoning

The Tincum Township Zoning Hearing Board will hold a public hearing at 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, **March 23, 2017**, on the application of Jennifer McCandless (Appeal # 01-2017) for the purpose of receiving evidence and testimony on the Applicant’s request for a use variance from Article IV, Section 404.2, to permit an Adult Day Care Center in the Village Center District. The hearing will be held in the Tincum Township Municipal Building located at 163 Municipal Road, Pipersville, Pennsylvania. This property is identified as Tax Map Parcel No. 44-004-006 located at 249 Durham Road, Ottsville, Pennsylvania 18942. It is a 1.59 ± acre tract located in the VC – Village Center District.

Harris asked if the BOS wanted him to attend the ZHB and take a position on this application. Dotti said that they would discuss it in an executive session. Harris said the decision and motion would be made in the public meeting.

7) Police

8) Public Works

T. Lewis announced that the sealed proposals for the Mount Airy bridge repair were advertised. She said that the bid opening would be May 1st and the trucking company was informed that after the bids were opened they had 15 days to get the funds to the Township. T. Lewis noted that after the funds cleared the bid would be formally awarded at the following BOS meeting. T. Lewis said that the trucking company acknowledged that once the bids were opened and reviewed they would overnight a check to the Township.

9) Conditional Use

10) Miscellaneous/Public Comment

The meeting was recessed from 8:06pm to 8:19pm to discuss personnel, potential litigation and the Nowicki situation.

Motion by Blanchard, seconded by Rosamilia, to authorize Harris to negotiate a stipulation which will allow Mr. Nowicki to remove all of the raw materials from the 56 acre and 3 acre sites and provided that he removed all of those materials within 1 year that the Township would forgive his \$14000+ penalty. Voted upon and passed.

Harris said that this was the quarry property on River Road next to the Giving Pond.

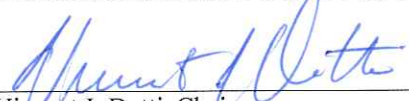
Motion by Dotti, seconded by Blanchard, to send Harris to the ZHB hearing, not in opposition, but to ask for certain conditions to be imposed. Voted by and passed.

Motion by Rosamilia, seconded by Blanchard, to appoint David Upmalis to the Planning Commission. Voted upon and passed.

11) Adjournment: Motion by Blanchard, seconded by Dotti, to adjourn the meeting at 8:24pm. Voted upon and passed.

The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors is scheduled for April 4, 2017 at 7:30 pm.

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Vincent J. Dotti, Chairperson



Richard Rosamilia, Vice-Chairperson



John Blanchard, Supervisor