

Incorporated March 12, 1738
TINICUM TOWNSHIP
Bucks County
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

163 Municipal Road
Pipersville, Pennsylvania 18947

JOHN BLANCHARD, CHAIRPERSON
RICHARD ROSAMILIA, VICE-CHAIRPERSON
JIM HELMS, SUPERVISOR

Tinicum Township Board of Supervisors
Meeting Minutes
October 19, 2021

Supervisors John Blanchard, Jim Helms and Richard Rosamilia were present with Manager Teri Lewis and Township Solicitor Steve Harris. The meeting was held in the Tinicum Township building meeting room. There were 8 people in attendance. Masks and social distancing were required.

Chairperson John Blanchard called the public meeting of the Tinicum Township Board of Supervisors to order at 7:30 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

A. Announcements

The public comment period will be held at the end of the meeting.

B. New Business

1. 2022 Proposed Township Budget

Motion: to authorize advertisement of the 2022 Township Budget.

Motion by: Rosamilia. Second by: Helms. Voted upon and passed.

2. Ad Hoc Microplastics Committee Appointment

Motion: to appoint Sasha Hall to the Ad Hoc Microplastics Committee.

Motion by: Rosamilia. Second by: Helms. Voted upon and passed.

C. Emergency Services

Chief Madden, Tinicum Township Police Dept., presented the following report for September:

- 102 Incident Reports: 53 service-related, 28 traffic, 18 investigative, and 3 court appearances.
- Investigative Reports included: 1 DUI arrest, 3 thefts, and 1 criminal trespass arrest.
- Drug Takeback Event Oct 23rd: To be held at 10 AM to 2PM at Wehrungs Lumber and Home Center, 7711 Eason Road Ottsville, PA 18942.

D. Regular Business

1. Budget Recap and Treasurer's Report

The Budget Recap and Treasurer's Reports for September are posted on the Bulletin Board.

2. Minutes

Motion: to approve the October 5, 2021 minutes as written.

Motion by: Rosamilia. Second by: Helms. Voted upon and passed.

3. Payroll Reports

Motion: to accept the Payroll Report for pay period ending October 8th in the amount of \$28,011.69.

Motion by: Blanchard. Second by: Helms. Voted upon and passed.

4. Disbursements:

Motion: to approve the following disbursements.

Motion by: Helms. Second by: Rosamilia. Voted upon and passed.

General Fund	Amount	Memo
PennTeleData	\$316.55	Sept & Oct Modems
Merry Maids	\$115.00	Cleaning Service 10/4/21
Delaware Valley Insurance Trust	\$10,499.50	2021 Quarter Four Commercial Insurance
Del Val Workers Comp Trust	\$5,835.75	Workers Comp WCPREM21-TINIC4
G2 Computers	\$150.00	Emergency Service Thank You Inv 14690
Met-Ed	\$122.57	Electricity PWD
Met-Ed	\$21.28	Electricity Park
Met-Ed	\$302.21	Electricity Police and Admin
Gall's Inc.	\$175.60	Police Uniform Supplies
Staples Credit Plan	\$29.99	Office Supplies
Keystone Municipal Services Inc	\$2,531.75	Zoning and Building Services
Keystone Municipal Engineering	\$2,938.80	Engineering Services
Keystone Municipal Engineering	\$585.90	Engineering Services
WEX, Inc	\$921.64	Police Fleet Fuel
Blum-Moore Reporting Services	\$1,416.00	Transcript Copies Tretton
Earth Link	\$53.90	Webhosting - Oct Nov
Bucks County Court Reporters, LLC	\$250.00	Stenography
Keystone Municipal Services Inc	\$3,274.00	Zoning and Bldg Services
Met-Ed	\$31.99	Electricity Traffic Light
Courier Times, Inc.	\$1,067.46	Legal Notices
ReadyRefresh	\$42.21	Bottled Water
Harris and Harris	\$5,293.75	Legal Services September
Ricoh Americas Corp	\$93.00	Copier Scanner Lease
DelGuericó's Disposal Service	\$155.00	Trash and Recycling Removal
Uniform Gear	\$132.98	417443 Uniform Supplies
Help Now	\$75.00	Police - Backup
Gary Bickel's Garage	\$145.00	State Inspection - Police Fleet
J. Tanner	\$45.00	Reimbursement
T. Lewis	\$45.00	Reimbursement
United Healthcare	\$11,097.96	Employee Health Insurance
Staples Credit	\$447.45	Office and Org Supplies
Bucks County Court Reporters, LLC	\$175.00	Stenography
Ricoh Americas Corp	\$158.70	Copier/Scanner/ Lease
PA Uniform Const	\$117.00	UCC Permit Fees
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Payroll Fund	Amount	Memo
Account Edge Payroll Service	\$27,824.25	Pay period end 10-8-21
State Fund		
Montage Enterprises	\$180.41	Parts and Supplies
Suburban Propane	\$2,,431.89	Diesel Fuel
Capital One Trade Credit	\$734.55	Public Works Supplies
Tractor Supply	\$32.16	Hardware and Supplies
Open	Space	Fund
Del Val Regional Finance	\$11,500.81	BondPayment

F. Future Schedule Hearings:

October 28: Zoning Hearing Board Appeal #2021-08 for Sorbello

- The property is located at 295 Hollow Horn, Pipersville.
- Tax Map Parcel #44-014-032, zoned Residential Agriculture and subject to Act 319.
- Applicant seeks relief to construct a new house and driveway behind the existing home and convert the existing dwelling to a residential accessory dwelling located in the front yard setback, to create a nonconforming use from a conforming use, and to permit two separate septic systems for each building.
- The Planning Commission reviewed the application and recommended the Board not oppose the variance application. The Board stated they would not take a position.

November 11: Zoning Hearing Board Appeal #2021-05 Continuance for Doenges

- The property is located at 3724 Farm School Rd, Ottsville.
- Tax Map Parcel #44-036-201 and zoned Village Center.
- Applicant seeks relief from side yard setback regulations to construct a pole barn/garage.

December 9: Zoning Hearing Board Appeal # 2021-03 Continuance for Davidson.

- The property is located at 72 Walters Lane, Pt. Pleasant.
- Tax Map Parcel #44-033-013-005 and zoned Residential Agriculture.
- Applicant seeks a variance from the Floodplain Overlay District, the Riparian Corridor Overlay District regulations and the Zoning Ordinance side yard setback regulations to construct a single-family home with deck and an on-lot septic system.

February 3, 2022: Zoning Hearing Board Appeal #2021-07 Continuance for Johnston Regarding Tretton

- The property is located at 31 Creamery Road, Ottsville.
- Tax Map Parcel #44-001-022-002 and zoned Commercial.
- Applicant appeals the decision of the Zoning Officer relating to the Tretton Farmstead wedding venue conforming use.

Date to be determined: Conditional Use Hearing Appeal #2021-02 for Watson

- The property is located at 25 Tammany Road, Upper Black Eddy.
- Tax Map Parcel #44-006-017 and zoned Country Residential.
- Applicant seeks relief from side yard setback to construct a single-family dwelling and deck and on-lot septic system.
- Date dependent on Zoning Hearing Board appeal.

G. Public Comment

Jesse Salamun, Headquarters Road, asked if further consideration had been given to maintaining creeks. Blanchard said the majority of the creeks are located on private property. Rosamilia said that the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has jurisdiction over the creeks. He said it was unrealistic for the Township to hire a crew and equipment to be on standby to clean logs out of the creeks.

Eleanor Breslin, Cafferty Road, said that the DEP website provides guidance on removing debris from the creeks and what requires DEP approvals and what a homeowner can do on their own. Helms said that similar to the discussions about dead trees that might fall on to the road, tree removal from along the roads or from streams is the responsibility of the property owner. Helms said it is part of the landscape in Tinicum and in a heavy storm the trees will wash down and pile up in culvert. He said there is so much vegetation upstream it would not be feasible for the Township to try to maintain it.

Vladimir Salamun, Headquarters said his property was particularly susceptible to debris washing down from County property upstream from him. He said that he understood there was an expense, but thought that a little preemptive action would save the Township money. Rosamilia suggested that Salamun attend a County meeting.

Steven Gidumal, Headquarters Road property owner, who arrived late to the meetings, asked if he could clean out the creek on his own with DEP approvals. He said he thought it would be better if he could dig out his creek. Helms stated that Breslin noted earlier in the meeting that the DEP website provided guidance as to what type of action required permits and what might not. Blanchard noted that Gidumal would need approvals from the DEP to clear his stream.

Gidumal asked if any permits had been issued for the Headquarters Bridge. Rosamilia said the PA DEP had issued their permit to PennDOT, but he was not aware if the US Army Corp of Engineers' permit had been issued. Gidumal said he had a hearing last Thursday and that a motion had been filed against the National Park Service in Federal Court. He said Judge Pratter had asked the National Park Service to respond to the motions.

H. Executive Session

Blanchard recessed the regular meeting at 7:57 PM to discuss matters of personnel and potential litigation. Blanchard reconvened the meeting at 8:49 PM. There was no action to report.

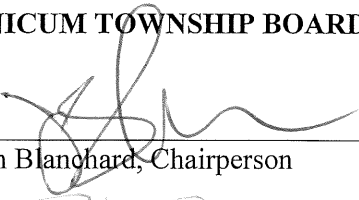
I. Adjournment

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 PM.

Motion by: Blanchard. Second by: Rosamilia. Voted upon and passed.

The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors is scheduled for November 16, 2021 at 7:30 PM.

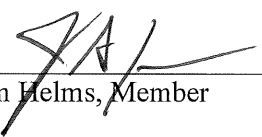
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