

MAHONING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
MINUTES
April 24, 2019

CALL TO ORDER:

John Wieczorek called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM at the Mahoning Township Building, 2685 Mahoning Drive East, Leighton, PA 18235

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: John Wieczorek led the Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of silence and kind words spoken for Franklin Ruch.

PRESENT:

John Wieczorek, Vice Chairman; Bruce Steigerwalt, Supervisor; Robert Slaw, Supervisor; Myron Blahy, Supervisor; Thomas Nanovic, Solicitor and Natalie D. Haggerty, Secretary-Treasurer

Bud Newton, Newton Engineering was present on behalf of his client Dack Carbon regarding right of way and acquisitions to their driveways as part of the SR 443 widening project. Review of plan and how it may impact the Carbon Plaza Mall. The issue identified with truck route is that trucks need to circulate around the building one way from west to east and exit at the right-in/out driveway next to Arby's/Taco Bell. The new construction proposed by PennDOT to push the right-in/out driveways back onto the property. I feel this will be difficult for trucks to maneuver. PennDOT is also proposing to improve a portion of Mall Road (100ft). We would like to propose to them to better handle truck traffic extend the reconstruction of Mall Lane past the east/west driveway on the shopping center to accommodate the truck traffic that will have trouble using the right-in out driveway. This would take your approval and we would propose this to PennDOT, and the request is would you entertain the idea of having PennDOT reconstruct Mall Road up past the driveway and by doing that we take the restriction off this section of Mall Lane. The question is did you investigate the capabilities of a tractor trailer making a right-hand turn? Bud didn't believe so, we ran the truck templates. If you are going to allow them to come in and out on Mall Road are you going to be able to get traffic around the back of the building with all the parking back there. Intent to take trucks in through light. I don't see how PennDOT can choke you off, is it your desire to use Mall Lane. Got positive response from PennDOT. Peter's suggestions are:

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1. Existing Right In -Right Out (near Taco Bell) why can't that work. First start there
2. Make sure trucks can still come in and out at the new signalized intersection that is a prerequisite
3. Mall Road will need to be paved whatever the distance back to whatever it is that the trucks come in and out yet to be determined
4. heavy truck paving spec
5. Developer would need to agree to put up funds in escrow for maintenance of that road (that is to be negotiated)
6. No left turns for trucks coming out

Discussion of traffic lights and our responsibility in future and what we may want (generator back up, striping, pre emp device) be proactive. Three lights are involved. Have PennDOT contact the township.

MOTION

Bruce Steigerwalt made a motion that we allow that to occur if the scenario that Peter Eisenbrown, Township Engineer detailed is followed. Seconded by John Wieczorek. John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 4-0

CDBG

Pete discussed the breaking of our approved CDBG project into two projects for purpose of funding. Pine Street, the longer of the two roads, would become a project that would be done this year utilizing the remainder of 2016 funds and 2017 and 2018 funds roughly \$160,000. There are some drainage issues on Pine Street that should be addressed. What we want to do on that road is open for discussion and one of the biggest challenges is water runoff, given the slope and quantity of water and lack of drainage along that road. Suggestion is to do the heavy engineering part of this and utilize the township crew to cut some patches out to figure out exactly what the cross section of the road is to determine how much asphalt, stone and thickness in various locations. PA One call needed. Drainage improvements needed limited by the pipe that is toward the church that ties into PennDOT. Lack of inlets, need something that doesn't clog easily, good pavement where sanitary was put in. If bid in the month of May and bids come in June, there is physically time, but will contractors bid and what will mother nature do. But yes, this can happen this year.

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Bruce Steigerwalt made a motion to add the appropriate drainage 300 feet of pipe and five and six inlets. Seconded by Myron Blahy. John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 4-0

Reorganize

Robert Slaw made a motion nominate John Wieczorek as chairman. Seconded by Myron Blahy. John Wieczorek, abstain; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 3-0 vote. Motion carried.

Robert Slaw made a motion to nominate Bruce Steigerwalt as vice chairman. Seconded by Myron Blahy. John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, abstain; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 3-0 vote. Motion carried

SEAL COAT BIDS

John Wieczorek made a motion to table and award seal coat bid at our regular scheduled May 8, 2019 Board of Supervisors Meeting. Seconded by Bruce Steigerwalt. John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 4-0 vote. Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION

Bruce Steigerwalt made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2019 Board of Supervisors Meeting. Seconded by Myron Blahy. John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 4-0 vote. Motion carried

NEW BUSINESS:

Sierra Vista Estates Residential Development Preliminary Plans (Revision Date January 30,2019)

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John Wieczorek made a motion for an extension of time for Sierra Vista Estates Revised Preliminary Plan (revision date January 30, 2019) to May 31, 2019. Seconded by Myron Blahy. John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

Summit Ridge final subdivision Phase 1: (Extension of time granted July 30, 2019)

MOTION

John Wieczorek made a motion for an extension of time for Summit Ridge final subdivision phase 1 to July 30, 2019. Seconded by Myron Blahy. John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

Send email to Peter questioning if he has heard anything regarding the paving within Summit Ridge.

Travis Steigerwalt request road name change (scan article from September 2018 Township News)

OLD BUSINESS:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

John Wieczorek made a motion to accept and place on file the correspondence April 24, 2019. Seconded by Bruce Steigerwalt. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

***NEVIN FREY, 445 STEWART CREEK ROAD LEHIGHTON
RE: LETTER OF INTEREST TO FILL SUPERVISOR VACANCY

***PSATS, DAVID SANKO
RE: PSATS 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

***QUOTES FROM PPW AND PHW FOR PRESSURE WASHER

***QUOTE FROM INDEPENDENT CHEMICAL CORPORATION FOR HOTSY

***LEHIGHTON AREA MEMORIAL LIBRARY
RE: ANNUAL FUND DRIVE

***MSW CONSULTANTS
RE: CARBON COUNTY MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE CONTRACTS REVIEW

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***NEWTON ENGINEERING, BUD NEWTON

RE: CARBON PLAZA, CARBON DACK CLIENT. EMAIL REGARDING RIGHT OF WAY AND ACQUISITIONS TO THEIR DRIVEWAYS AS PART OF THE SR 443 WIDENING PROJECT

***STEVENS & LEE LAWYERS & CONSULTANTS, JAMES KRATZ

RE: SIERRA VISTA MPC SECTION 508 EXTENSION (MAY 31, 2019)

***D&D ENGINEERING & GENERAL CONSTRUCTION, LLC

RE: SUMMIT RIDGE FINAL SUBDIVISION EXTENSION (JULY 30, 2019)

***DEP, SCOTT CONFER, WATER QUALITY SPECIALIST

RE: COPY OF LETTER SENT TO JAY COOPERMAN REGARDING SPRINGDALE ESTATES NOTICE OF VIOLATION OF NPDES PERMIT

***COMPLAINT LETTER REGARDING 1677 BLAKESLEE BOULEVARD

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police Committee: No report

Road Committee: No report

OFFICIALS:

Myron Blahy: Discussion of trucks. Truck delivered to the township to view. 2019 Kenworth with plow \$155,600. Robert Slaw looked at the truck and feels its heavy duty compared to what we have. The front axle is impressive and is 16,000 pounds. Question of if they would be willing to commit to us until we can figure out the financing. Robert will call. I will work on financing and then need be have a special meeting.

Bruce Steigerwalt: Keep in mind we have to replace the 96 RAM as well. Pressure washer discussion. Pay out of road machinery

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Robert Slaw made a motion to authorize Nevin Frey to purchase the Landa at a cost of \$5070. Seconded by Myron Blahy. John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 4-0 vote. Motion carried

COG: Bruce Steigerwalt volunteered to be the delegate for the COG and Myron Blahy remain as alternate.

MOTION

John Wieczorek made a motion to have Bruce Steigerwalt serve as the delegate for the COG and Myron Blahy remain as alternate. Seconded by Robert Slaw. John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 4-0 vote. Motion carried

John Wieczorek:

MOTION

John Wieczorek made a motion to advertise for position of township supervisor. Seconded by Myron Blahy. Applications accepted to May 7, 2019. John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 4-0 vote. Motion carried

Robert Slaw: Question regarding a member for road committee, wait until we have somebody. Leighton Library fund drive. Question the complaint regarding truck parking

Nevin Frey: Short on help can we bring in Kris Knappenberger

MOTION

Bruce Steigerwalt made a motion to offer Kris Knappenberger part time job at rate set at organization for summer help. Seconded by John Wieczorek. John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 4-0 vote. Motion carried (If status changes let us know)

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Carl Faust: 3 violation letters sent.

205 Packerton Hollow they moved out went to Chapel Road (issues at both residences)

Complaint of chickens at 372 Mahoning Heights Road tearing up mulch beds

907 First Street feces coming out of sump pump. Why is Carl handling that it should be the authority? Board send a letter saying by a result of an investigation of our zoning officer and code enforcement officer you need to get out there and check this unhealthy condition sewage coming to the surface.

Yang garage on Hemlock, she lost hearing and still has not moved the garage. Send it to the magistrate

MOTION

John Wiczorek made a motion to donate \$200 to Mahoning Valley Vol. Fire Co. and \$200 to Mahoning Valley Ambulance in memory of Franklin Ruch. Seconded by Myron Blahy. John Wiczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 4-0 vote. Motion carried

John Wiczorek: At conclusion of meeting we will have a brief executive session for personnel and will not returning for regular business.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION

John Wiczorek made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM Seconded by Robert Slaw. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wiczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Natalie D. Haggerty

Secretary-Treasurer