

MAHONING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
MINUTES
March 27, 2019

CALL TO ORDER:

Franklin Ruch called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM at the Mahoning Township Building, 2685 Mahoning Drive East, Lehigh, PA 18235

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Franklin Ruch led the Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENT:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Deb McGowan 212 Ashtown Drive Lehigh

Question regarding the upcoming Route 443 construction project and where will they be detouring traffic. Concerns of increased traffic and tractor trailer traffic on Ashtown Drive. The township is not aware of any detours, felt they would restrict lanes. Detours would have to be on a state road, can't envision they would use Ashtown Drive.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION

John Wieczorek made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2019 Board of Supervisors Meeting. Seconded by Myron Blahy. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried

NEW BUSINESS:

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

MOTION

Bruce Steigerwalt made a motion to for an extension of time for Sierra Vista Estates Revised Preliminary Plan (revision date January 30, 2019) to April 30, 2019. Seconded by John Wieczorek. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes

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and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

MOTION

Bruce Steigerwalt made a motion to table the Sierra Vista Plans (revision date January 30, 2019). Seconded by John Wiczorek. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wiczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

Sunny Hill Farms

Discussion will take place in executive session

CDBG

Discussion of breaking our approved 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. Douglas Street would utilize 2019 funds and would occur next year. Pete, Frank and Bruce will meet on site to look at the overall project. Ok for Peter to proceed forward and prepare the specs.

MOTION

Bruce Steigerwalt made a motion to have Peter Eisenbrown proceed with the specifications for Pine Street using CDBG funds. Seconded by Myron Blahy. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wiczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

Motion to Advertise to Receive bids fuel and road materials

MOTION

John Wiczorek made a motion to advertise to receive bids for fuel and road materials. Seconded by Franklin Ruch. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wiczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

Mahoning Valley Ambulance: EIT Volunteer Credit Certificate
(Alivia Paules)

MOTION

Robert Slaw made a motion to approve the Mahoning Valley Ambulance EIT Volunteer Credit Certificate for Alivia Paules. Seconded by Myron Blahy. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wiczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

Accept Brandon Ruch Letter of Resignation

MOTION

John Wiczorek made a motion to accept Brandon Ruch letter of resignation as township auditor. Seconded by Robert Slaw. Franklin Ruch, abstain; John Wiczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

Motion to Advertise Mahoning Township Annual Audit and Financial report December 31, 2018

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MOTION

John Wieczorek made a motion to advertise Mahoning Township Annual Audit and Financial report December 31, 2018. Seconded by Franklin Ruch. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

Jack & Susanne Letter Request Rezone 1606 Blakeslee Blvd Drive East
Compile all requests for future meeting or hearing for purpose of zoning. Send letter to inform of receipt of request and will take under advisement.

Quote from Asplundh for Spraying
Quote \$2,792.47. Frank mentioned for Nevin to set up

MOTION

Myron Blahy made a motion to contract with Asplundh for spraying at a cost of \$2,792.47. Seconded by Franklin Ruch. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

John Wieczorek made a motion to accept and place on file the correspondence dated March 27, 2019. Seconded by Bruce Steigerwalt. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

***PSATS NEWS BULLETIN MARCH 2019

***REPRESENTATIVE DOYLE HEFFLEY

RE: BLIGHT SEMINAR, APRIL 18, 2019, 10:00-2:00 AT JIM THORPE MEMORIAL HALL

***PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION: MOVING FORWARD
NEWSLETTER

***PSATS

RE: 2019 PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

Noted to get comments to Frank prior to next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police Committee:

Meeting tomorrow morning.

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Road Committee:

Prices for hot water pressure washer \$4045 or a regular pressure washer at \$600. These are options or enter into an agility agreement with PennDOT. Robert will provide Nevin with contact information for 3000 psi washer.

Talk with playground consultants while at convention with regards to proper mulch to be used around swing sets in park.

We will do road inspection of Semmels Hill Road, mentioned of placing it out for bid for overlay.

Boiler is shot, it died this weekend. Reached out to providers to get three quotes. Proceed with the lowest quote. Nevin will reach out to L&I.

Prices obtained for purchasing/leasing two trucks at a cost of \$245,000. Replacement of 96 Dodge and 94 Volvo GMC. Get more information at PSATS Convention.

OFFICIALS:

Myron Blahy: Mentioned Nevin going out to PSATS Convention, questioning what days. Are you going out on Sunday and Monday? Nevin mentioned he was going out with East Penn Roadmaster, not certain of days.

Bruce Steigerwalt: Do we need to appoint an auditor?

MOTION

Bruce Steigerwalt made a motion to appoint Larry Hill as township elected auditor. Seconded by John Wiczorek. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wiczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

Road Inspections: April 1-April 2 at 3:30PM

New building project and doing a reverse subdivision, placing all township property on one parcel.

Robert Slaw: Do we want to get any trees (PPL)?

Tom Nanovic: Executive session

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Franklin Ruch: Announced there will be an executive session at the conclusion of the meeting for legal and there will no other business conducted.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION

John Wiczorek made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 PM Seconded by Myron Blahy. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wiczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Natalie D. Haggerty

Secretary-Treasurer