

MAHONING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

MINUTES

November 9, 2022

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PRESENT:

Robert Slaw, Chairman; Myron Blahy, Vice-Chairman; Ronald Reeser, Supervisor; Deborah McGowan, Supervisor; Thomas Nanovic, Solicitor and Natalie D. Haggerty, Secretary-Treasurer.

ABSENT:

Brian Reeser, Supervisor

Amend agenda to include Kelly A. Follweiler Minor Subdivision

MOTION

Deborah McGowan made a motion to add Kelly A. Follweiler Minor Subdivision to the agenda. Seconded by Myron Blahy. Robert Slaw, yes; Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Deborah McGowan, yes 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Colin Rehrig 132 Ashtown Drive Lehigh, PA: Tractor trailer traffic on Ashtown Drive has increased. Discussion took place regarding detour due to the 9th Street Bridge replacement and perhaps creating increased tractor trailer traffic. Advised to come back if does not improve after road and bridge construction is completed, perhaps local delivery only signs.

Carol Ethridge 1596 Twin Crest Drive Lehigh, PA: Concern of noise of cars racing from Breezewood Road. She approached the noise and found Mark Schwalm had cars racing in the field and said he had a permit to do so. Deep concern of a member of the Planning Commission member using his authority to say such. Advised no such permit and provide our zoning officer with Schwalm Agreement.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION

Myron Blahy made a motion to approve the Minutes of the October 12, 2022 Board of Supervisors Meeting. Seconded by Ronald Reeser. Robert Slaw, yes; Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes; and Deborah McGowan, yes. 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TRANSFERS:

MOTION

Myron Blahy made a motion to approve the following transfers:

\$15,046.34 General Checking to Payroll Checking pay date 10/13/22

\$14,323.30 General Checking to Payroll Checking pay date 10/20/22

\$14,942.05 General Checking to Payroll Checking pay date 10/27/22

\$13,513.38 General Checking to Payroll Checking pay date 11/3/22

\$537.97 Residential Street Light to General Checking

\$595.20 Residential Fire Hydrant to General Checking

Seconded by Ronald Reeser. Robert Slaw, yes; Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and

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Deborah McGowan, yes. 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER REPORT:

MOTION

Ronald Reeser made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for October 2022. Seconded by Myron Blahy. Robert Slaw, yes; Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Deborah McGowan, yes. 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS AND PAYROLLS:

MOTION

Deborah McGowan made a motion to approve the following bills and payrolls:

Bill List #499 in the amount of \$171,078.65

General Check's #24004-#24049

State Check's #1789-#1790

Building and Land Check #1060-#1062

Road Machinery Checks #1061-#1062

Fire Company Check #1036

Subdivision Land Development Check's #1325-#1339

LVH Check #140

Seconded by Robert Slaw. Robert Slaw, yes; Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Deborah McGowan, yes. 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

REPORTS

MOTION

Myron Blahy made a motion to accept and place on file the following reports:

Mahoning Township Road Department Reports October 10—November 4, 2022

Building and Zoning officer Report October 2022

Mahoning Township Municipal Authority minutes for September 21, 2022

Seconded by Ronald Reeser. Robert Slaw, yes, Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Deborah McGowan, yes 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Kelly Follweiller Minor Subdivision

MOTION

Robert Slaw made a motion to grant conditional approval to the Kelly A. Follweiler Minor Subdivision conditioned upon LTL Consultants review letter dated October 17, 2022 and approval of waiver to defer stormwater until building application submission. Seconded by Ronald Reeser. Robert Slaw, yes; Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Deborah McGowan, yes. 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

Fee Schedules 2023 (provided to the Board at workshop meeting) Table to reorganization meeting

Meeting Dates 2023 (motion to advertise)

MOTION

Myron Blahy made a motion to advertise meeting dates 2023. Seconded by Ronald Reeser.

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Robert Slaw, yes; Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Deborah McGowan, yes. 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

Motion to advertise Public Notice of Intent to appoint Certified Public Accountant to Perform 2022 Audit

(Kirk and Suma)

MOTION

Ronald Reeser made a motion to advertise public notice of intent to appoint certified public accountant to perform 2022 audit. Seconded by Deborah McGowan. Robert Slaw, yes; Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Deborah McGowan, yes. 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

Summit Ridge

A field meeting was held on 10/19/22 – attended by Pete, Ron, Nevin, and Konrad [excavator working for the builder]. Briefly, the issue is with a portion of Eastridge Court, which is a cul de sac, that contains only 3 lots.

The planned cross section of the road [including the 6' wide shoulders, and swales] cannot 'fit' within the right of way, given the location of the right of way coincides with the property line. The property line area is wooded and the neighbor has expressed concern for impact to his property if these trees are removed.

A potential resolution discussed [just in this section] is to reduce the shoulder width to 4' width, along with a minor [unnoticeable] shift in the road centerline/cul de sac. The Board has ultimately approve this plan with 6' shoulders on all the new roads [roads not currently paved with asphalt base]. Board review and take formal action on the above.

MOTION

Robert Slaw made a motion to allow the reduction of shoulder width to 4' along with a minor shift in the road centerline/cul de sac on a small portion of Eastridge Court. Seconded by Ronald Reeser. Robert Slaw, yes; Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Deborah McGowan, yes. 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

Wendy's Release of Letter of Credit

MOTION

Robert Slaw made a motion to release Wendy's Letter of Credit contingent upon receipt of As Built Plan. Seconded by Robert Slaw. Robert Slaw, yes; Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Deborah McGowan, yes. 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

Sage Meadows Letter of Credit and Development Agreement

MOTION

Robert Slaw made a motion to accept Sage Meadows Letter of Credit and extension of Development Agreement. Seconded by Ronald Reeser. Robert Slaw, yes; Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Deborah McGowan, yes. 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

Zoning Discussion (Held in an executive session)

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OLD BUSINESS:

Sierra Vista (Planning Commission granted conditional final plan approval of Sierra Vista Phase 1A, conditions: Compliance with comments of LTL letter of 10-20-2020. No construction to take place until pre-security agreement is approved and signed, and escrow fund for construction inspection and letter of credit for sewer main trench maintenance and Flagstaff Road overlay are submitted to the Township). **RECEIVED EXTENSION LETTER TO December 31, 2022**

CORRESPONDENCE:

MOTION

Myron Blahy made a motion to accept and place on file the correspondence dated November 9, 2022. Seconded by Deborah McGowan. Robert Slaw, yes; Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Deborah McGowan, yes. 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

***PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, BHARAT PATEL, PE
RE: APPROVED MS4 WAIVER

***NANOVIC LAW OFFICES, THOMAS NANOVIC
RE: REMMEY THE PALLET COMPANY

No violation of ordinance.

***BOROUGH OF LEHIGHTON, CLARK RITTER
RE: THANK YOU FOR FIRE POLICE ASSISTANCE AT THE HALLOWEEN PARADE

***BOROUGH OF LEHIGHTON, CLARK RITTER
RE: REQUESTING FIRE POLICE ASSISTANCE SNOWFLAKE 5K RUN ON DECEMBER 10, 2022 8:00AM

MOTION

Ronald Reeser made a motion to approve fire police to assist with the Snowflake 5K Run. Seconded by Myron Blahy. Robert Slaw, yes; Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Deborah McGowan, yes. 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

***LTL CONSULTANTS
RE: PROPOSAL FOR 2023 RATES

***NANOVIC LAW OFFICES, THOMAS NANOVIC
RE: BUDGET WORKSHOP QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

***RONALD J WEHR, 38 APPLE JACK LANE TAMAQUA, PA
RE : APPLICATION FOR PART TIME EMPLOYMENT WINTER SNOW PLOWING
Place on winter plow list.

***BRIAN MILLER, 1541 STRAUSS VALLEY DRIVE LEHIGHTON
RE: APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT ROAD DEPARTMENT

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

POLICE COMMITTEE:

Discussion of marking a few of our vehicles.

ROAD COMMITTEE:

2000 Ford Pick up sold for \$6424 to Jason Frey.
Need step and strobe lights for new truck.

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Center Road is complete.

OFFICIALS:

Robert Slaw announced that there would be an executive session at the conclusion of the meeting for personnel and will not be returning to record.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION

Ronald Reeser made a motion to adjourn the meeting 6:55PM. Seconded by Deborah McGowan. Robert Slaw, yes; Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes; and Deborah McGowan, yes 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Natalie D. Haggerty
Secretary-Treasurer