



SOUTH HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING – 9-28-2021

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE

The Board of Supervisors of the Township of South Heidelberg met at the Municipal Building for the monthly general business meeting. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Musante at 7:00 PM, on September 28th, 2021 followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice-Chairman Musante announced that the meeting is being recorded for the accuracy of the meeting minutes.

MEETING ATTENDEES

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Vice Chairman, John N. Musante
Secretary, Tiffany L. Billingsley

TOWNSHIP STAFF & ADVISORS

Police Chief, Leon J. Grim
Public Works Manager, Bill Lanza
Township Solicitor, Colin Macfarlane, Esq.
Township Engineer, Gary Kraft

PUBLIC HEARING

Solicitor Colin Macfarlane introduced the reason for the public hearing and the amendments which amend the introduction section, supplement map 1 to add a new map for South Heidelberg Township regarding future land use, amendment to 1b to at new future land use and finally amendments added summaries for several land uses. Solicitor Macfarlane also stated the school district and other municipalities were informed. Solicitor Macfarlane entered into the record the following exhibits (1) Public Hearing Notice (2) Notice of Publication in Reading Eagle newspaper (3) Affidavit of posting and (4) County of Berks Planning Commission Letter (5) SSM Engineering letter of consideration concerning the County of Berks Planning Commission review (6) Affidavit of paralegal at Kozloff Stoudt noting all appropriate parties were notified of amendments and (7) the proposed resolution to adopt the amendments to the joint comprehensive plan and exhibits A and B including the study and a version of the amendments

Solicitor Macfarlane next opened up the meeting for public comment and asked to state name and address. Solicitor Macfarlane noted that no public comment was made. Solicitor Macfarlane next stated he would like the Board of Supervisors to entertain a motion concerning the adoption of the resolution of the Joint Comprehensive Plan.

A motion was made by Mrs. Billingsley, seconded by Mr. Musante and carried unanimously by the Board to adopt Resolution 15-2021 "A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SOUTH HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING THE JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF SOUTHWESTERN BERKS COUNTY."

Solicitor Macfarlane stated that the adoption of the resolution closes the public hearing.

MEETING MINUTE APPROVAL

A motion was made by Mrs. Billingsley, seconded by Mr. Musante and carried unanimously by the Board to approve the meeting minutes of the August 17, 2021 Board of Supervisors Workshop Meeting and the August 24, 2021 Board of Supervisors General Business Meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No comment from the public at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

2021 Roadwork Projects – Payment Application #2. A motion was made by Mr. Musante, seconded by Mrs. Billingsley to authorize payment to Pennsy Supply in the amount of \$327,560.54 per payment application #2 conditioned upon successful repair of manhole at Hill Road and North Galen Hall Road.

Prime Wellness Phase 1 Land Development Escrow Release. A motion was made by Mr. Musante, seconded by Mrs. Billingsley to approve Release No. 2 – Final Release relating to Prime Wellness Cash Escrow in the amount of \$94,982.00 conditions upon completion of remediation of two sinkholes noted as part of Township Engineer Gary Kraft’s inspection.

Caron Foundation Building 6100 Escrow Release. A motion was made by Mrs. Billingsley, seconded by Mr. Musante and carried unanimously by the Board to approve Release No. 2 – Final Release of Letter of Credit #295 relating to Caron Foundation Building 6100 in the amount of \$113,113.00 based on recommendation of Township Engineer Gary Kraft.

Weaver Ace Hardware – 4610 Penn Avenue – Land Development Waiver Request. A motion was made by Mrs. Billingsley, seconded by Mr. Musante to approve a conditional waiver of land development requested by Weaver Ace Hardware regarding 4610 Penn Avenue to allow a preliminary/final plan submission focused only on items specifically pertaining to the new building.

Mavis Tire Center Preliminary/Final Extension. A motion was made by Mr. Musante, seconded by Mrs. Billingsley to accept time extension for review of Preliminary/Final Land Development plans for the proposed development of a Mavis Tire Center. A letter was received from Bohler Engineering dated September 14, 2021 granted the time extension for an additional 90 day.

Huntzinger Road Guiderail Payment. A motion was made by Mr. Musante, seconded by Mrs. Billingsley to authorize payment for guiderail replacement work completed by William Orr & Sons, Inc in the contracted amount of \$33,795.00.

Members First Conditional Use Decision. A motion was made by Mr. Musante, seconded by Mrs. Billingsley to authorize signature of Members 1st Federal Credit Union Condition Use Decision relating to 4620 Penn Avenue.

Resolution 16-2021 Dispatch Services Agreement. A motion was made by Mrs. Billingsley, seconded by Mr. Musante and carried unanimously by the Board to adopt Resolution 16-2021 “A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SOUTH HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP....TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR THE COUNTY OF BERKS TO PROVIDE CONSOLIDATED DISPATCHING SERVICES.”

Declaration of Partial Extinguishment and Termination of Rights to Stormwater Drainage Easement. A motion was made by Mrs. Billingsley, seconded by Mr. Musante and carried unanimously by the Board to authorize signature of Declaration of Partial Extinguishment and Termination of Rights to Stormwater Drainage Easement by and amount Danielle R. Kranis, 402 Columbus Street, Wernersville PA 19565.

NEW BUSINESS

Permanent Stormwater Drainage Easement Agreement. A motion was made by Mrs. Billingsley, seconded by Mr. Musante and carried unanimously by the Board to authorize signature of Permanent Stormwater Drainage Easement Agreement by and between Grande Land L.P., Heidelberg Crossing Community Association and South Heidelberg Township.

Halloween Trick or Treat Night. A motion was made by Mrs. Billingsley, seconded by Mr. Musante and carried unanimously by the Board to designate South Heidelberg Township Halloween Trick or Treat Night as Sunday October 31, 2021 between the hours of 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM.

RECREATION BOARD

Mrs. Billingsley discussed a Halloween event which will be held on Saturday October 23rd at South Mountain Park. Mrs. Billingsley stated the event will include a Casper the Friendly Ghost Movie. Mrs. Billingsley also discussed the park dedication that occurred on September 25th. The park was dedicated as Richard E. Hummel South Mountain Park. Mr. Musante read a thank you letter written to the Township from Mrs. Helen Hummel.

WESTERN BERKS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Commissioner Renshaw was present and referenced his report. Fire Commissioner Renshaw also discussed the Drone the Western Berks Fire Department has acquired and distributed pictures taken from the drone to show the clarity of pictures taken from the drone. Commissioner Renshaw also displayed the thermal imaging capability of the drone and pictures taken using the thermal imaging.

WERNERSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Director Leigh-Ann Yacovelli was present and provided her report for the Wernersville Public Library. Mrs. Yacovelli provided reports on the summer reading program which saw an increase in usage to 8 from 0 to 2 in prior years. Mrs. Yacovelli discussed reporting the library is required to provide to the state as well as other activities and programs occurring at the Wernersville Public Library.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER

Mr. McKee was not present at the meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER

Mr. Lanza referenced his monthly report and had nothing further to add. Mr. Lanza stated that work on the Point Road railroad underpass would be address in the upcoming week. Mr. Musante stated that the work to the underpass was due to stormwater issues and will be an improvement to that area.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Grim referenced his monthly police report. Chief Grim referenced a child seat checkup that was announced on the Township and PD Facebook pages and with the school. Chief Grim stated a press conference would occur on September 29th regarding the fatal pedestrian accident in Robesonia Borough. Chief Grim also reported the PD will participate in trunk or treat event in all municipalities.

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER REPORT

Mr. Kraft stated he has completed the MS4 report with the efforts of Public Works Manager Bill Lanza and stated the report this year is significantly improved from past years as a result.

TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR REPORT

Mr. Macfarlane provided a summary of the appeals relating to the Wernersville Community Correction Center as well as Child First Services.

TOWNSHIP TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Mr. Musante seconded by Mrs. Billingsley and carried unanimously by the Board to receive and accept the Township Treasurer's Report.

BILL PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION.

A motion was made by Mr. Musante seconded by Mrs. Billingsley and carried unanimously by the Board to Authorize payment of bills dated September 28, 2021 and ratify, confirm and approve payment of bills paid since August 24, 2021 including procurement card purchases for August 2021.

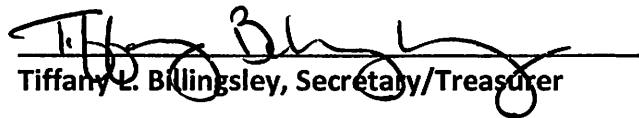
PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Croft RE: Greystone Alpacas. Mr. Croft stated he was thankful to the Township for its support of his event at Greystone Alpacas.

Mr. Werner RE: Mascaro Candy Donation. Mr. Werner stated that during one of the past meetings with Mascaro representatives it was mentioned that Mascaro would donate candy towards Halloween. Mr. Musante stated they would reach out if candy was needed.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Musante, seconded by Mrs. Billingsley and carried unanimously by the Board to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 PM.


Tiffany L. Billingsley, Secretary/Treasurer