

MINUTES JULY 5, 2017
UPPER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman, Mike Rinker.

Pledge of Allegiance

Board members present were: Mike Rinker, Robert Disbrow, Richard Mann, and Scott Sylvainus. Donna Hirst was absent.

Also present were Township Manager, E.J. Mentry, Township Solicitor, Gary Asteak and for Township Engineer, Sean Dooley.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Joanne Messenlehner of 40 Schoeneck Ave. reminded the Board that the residents of Upper Nazareth Township are not in favor of a prison being located at the Gracedale site. Ms. Messenlehner stated that Nazareth Borough residents are also against it. Mr. Rinker stated that nothing formal has been submitted to the Township.

Ms. Messenlehner asked if the Board was doing anything with regard to an ethics policy. Mr. Mentry stated that the Township follows all the state guidelines with regard to ethics.

Ms. Messenlehner asked the Board if anything was being done to prevent the Township from getting an industry like what is trying to go into Plainfield Township. Ms. Messenlehner could not remember the name of the industry. Ms. Messenlehner went on to state that the business is detrimental to the environment and health of the residents.

Ms. Messenlehner asked the Board if they were planning to do anything to stop bamboo from being planted in the Township. Ms. Messenlehner stated that bamboo is a very invasive species, and it was noticed that there were plantings of bamboo in the Friedenstahl area as witnessed when the neighborhood clean-up took place earlier this year. Ms. Messenlehner suggested the Township pass an ordinance against invasive species.

APPROVALS

Mr. Rinker stated that the Altronics proposal was being removed from the agenda.

Motion was made by Mr. Rinker and seconded by Mr. Sylvainus to approve the revised agenda. Motion carried by all voting eye. (4-0)

Motion was made by Mr. Disbrow and seconded by Mr. Sylvainus to approve the meeting minutes of June 21, 2017. Motion carried by a vote of 3-0 with Mr. Mann abstaining as he was not present at the June 21, 2017, meeting.

BILLS

Motion was made by Mr. Rinker and seconded by Mr. Sylvainus to approve payment of the bills. Motion carried by all voting aye. (4-0)

SUPERVISORS COMMENTS

Nothing at this time.

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER

Mr. Dooley requested approval of Change Order No. 1 from Asphalt Maintenance Solutions in connection with the 2017 Road Surface Treatment Project in the amount of \$8,239.25. A contingency was previously approved by the Board of up to \$13,000. Since the project bid came in lower than expected, other roadways were added to the project. Mr. Dooley stated that the work would occur between August 14 to 25, 2017.

Motion was made by Mr. Disbrow and seconded by Mr. Sylvainus to approve Change Order No. 1 from Asphalt Maintenance Solutions in connection with the 2017 Road Surface Treatment Project in the amount of \$8,239.25. Motion carried by all voting aye. (4-0)

Mr. Dooley requested release of the Letter of Credit for Eagles Landing Phase 3A subject to the execution and recording of the Deeds of Dedication.

Motion was made by Mr. Rinker and seconded by Mr. Sylvainus to approve the release of the Letter of Credit for Eagles Landing Phase 3A subject to the execution and recording of the Deeds of Dedication. Motion carried by all voting aye. (4-0)

TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR

Attorney Asteak presented Resolution #17-10 for the Eagles Landing Phase 3A Deeds of Dedication to the Board for signature.

Motion was made by Mr. Rinker and seconded by Mr. Disbrow to approve Resolution #17-10 for the Eagles Landing Phase 3A Deeds of Dedication. Motion carried by all voting aye. (4-0)

Attorney Asteak presented Resolution No. 17-11 for the Chrin Lots 2 & 3 Final Lot Consolidation to the Board for signature.

Motion was made by Mr. Disbrow and seconded by Mr. Sylvainus to approve Resolution No. 17-11 for the Chrin Lots 2 & 3 Final Lot Consolidation. Motion carried by all voting aye. (4-0)

MANAGER

Mr. Mentry informed the Board about issues with key access to the concession stand, storage rooms, and light panel at Tuskes Park. Mr. Mentry stated that the Township will be investigating alternatives to keys and the institution of tighter controls when issuing access to park facilities in the future. Mr. Sylvainus recommended looking into electronic keypads as one possible alternative. Mr. Rinker stated he would like the Township to have more control over the park.

APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Nothing at this time.

PLANNING & ZONING

Nothing at this time.

PUBLIC WORKS

Nothing at this time

RECREATION

Mr. Sylvainus stated that the group that had reserved the pavilion at Tuskes Park for Thursday, July 06, 2017, has cancelled their event. They will try to reschedule later this summer.

PUBLIC SAFETY

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief William Cope asked the Board for to approve the proposal in the amount of \$4,005.00 from Snyder Technologies for the Domain overhaul to the Police Department computer system with disaster recovery. Chief Cope stated that this cost is being covered by the PennEast Pipeline Community Connector Grant.

Motion was made by Mr. Disbrow and seconded by Mr. Sylvainus to approve the proposal in the amount of \$4,005.00 from Snyder Technologies for the Domain overhaul to the Police Department computer system with disaster recovery. Motion carried by all voting aye. (4-0)

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Nothing at this time.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

Nothing at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

Nothing at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Rinker recognized Ryan Weiss from Boy Scout Troop 44. Mr. Weiss stated that he is present tonight as he is working on his Communications Badge.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Mann and seconded by Mr. Disbrow to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Motion carried by all voting aye. (4-0)

Next meeting will be July 19, 2017, 7:00 p.m.