

MINUTES OF NOCKAMIXON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

May 21, 2015

The regularly scheduled meeting for May was held on Thursday, May 21, 2015 in the Township Building in Ferndale, PA. Chairman, William C. Sadow, Jr. opened the meeting at 7:30 P.M. with a salute to the flag.

Members Present:

Bill Sadow, Jr., Chair
Carl Bahnck, Vice-Chair
Nancy Alessi
Frank Ganiszewski

Others in attendance:

Attorney:
Jordan B. Yeager, Esq.

Engineer:

Absent: Shannon Doman

Treasurer:
Keith DeLuca
Secretary:

SCHEDULING:

The schedule for the month was reviewed by Chairman, William C. Sadow, Jr.

MINUTES OF MEETING:

A motion was made by F. Ganiszewski, seconded by C. Bahnck, to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2015 Board of Supervisors meeting as presented. The motion carried 4-0-0.

A motion was made by F. Ganiszewski, seconded by C. Bahnck, to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2015 Special Meeting. The motion carried 3-0-1 with N. Alessi abstaining.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Bruce Blanchard, Byers Road resident, expressed that he and other neighbors would like to see the single yellow line reapplied on Beaver Run Road for safety reasons. The Township will look into the cost of adding the line.

PUBLIC HEARING: none

STAFF REPORTS:

a. Public Works Report, April 2015 -

A motion was made by F. Ganiszewski, seconded by N. Alessi, to approve the April 2015 Public Works report as presented. The motion carried 4-0-0.

b. Treasurer's Report:

Keith DeLuca gave the report.

The annual audit was performed on April 28 & 29 and all went well.

On May 8, 2015 the CDBG Grant was delivered to the Bucks County Community Development office.

The generator has been installed at the Township Building. Quotes are now being considered for connection.

A motion was made by F. Ganiszewski, seconded by N. Alessi, to authorize connecting the generator at no more than \$5000.00. The motion carried 4-0-0.

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The Roadmaster has recommended tar and chipping Lake Warren Road, a distance of 2.55 miles.

A motion was made by B. Sadow, seconded by N. Alessi, to authorize the tar and chipping of Lake Warren Road, a distance of 2.55 miles. The motion carried 4-0-0.

There was also a discussion regarding minimizing dust on a portion of Fink Road. The Treasurer asked for permission to apply for the Penn State Dirt & Gravel Grant.

A motion was made by C. Bahnck, seconded by N. Alessi, to authorize the Township Treasurer to apply for the Penn State Dirt & Gravel Grant. The motion carried 4-0-0.

There was a discussion regarding repeated complaint calls to PennDOT from a non-resident regarding the school zone safety blinking light in front of St. John's School. J. Yeager confirmed that if there are no children walking to school then a blinking light is not required. It was noted that the light has been in place since the 1970s, and the Township Engineer noted that students may be walking to and from the school in the future. Mr. Yeager recommended having the Township Engineer let PennDOT know the Township has no intention of removing the school zone safety blinking light.

Mr. Yeager noted that last October, the Township Engineer sent correspondence listing violations occurring at the DiPalantino site, noting that items were being done at the site that were not consistent with the approved subdivision plan. To date, these violations have not been addressed. Mr. Yeager suggested that the Board authorize the Township Engineer send a follow up letter to the site owner.

The Treasurer noted that Sal Lapio Homes has a conditionally approved subdivision from 2008. No action has been taken on the plan and they are looking to renew their HOP PennDOT permits. The Township Engineer is looking to the Board for direction. Mr. Yeager will discuss preparing a cost estimate with the Township Engineer to send to Lapio's engineer.

Palisades Middle School is requesting a change in their drop off traffic pattern. The Township Engineer noted that PennDOT, Township, and the Bucks County Conservation District approval would be needed. It was suggested that PALMS send a more detailed proposal.

Mr. Yeager noted steps are being taken in order to complete road dedication relating to two development projects in the Township.

Bills being presented tonight: from the General Fund, \$52,111.07; Fire & EMS Tax Distribution, \$108,226.75; State Fund, \$2,083.37; Escrow Fund, \$2,304.73 and Debit Card, \$2,157.25.

Bills of note: \$14,400.00 for the final payment of the emergency generator.

Transfer being requested tonight: \$2,450.00 from the General Fund to the Debit Card Fund.

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The Treasurer noted he will be out of the office from June 8-12, and checks will be ready for signatures on June 5.

A motion was made by B. Sadow, seconded by N. Alessi, to approve the May 2015 Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion carried 4-0-0.

A motion was made by B. Sadow, seconded by N. Alessi, to approve the May 2015 Bills List as presented. The motion carried 4-0-0.

A motion was made by B. Sadow, seconded by N. Alessi, to approve the transfer of \$2,450.00 from the General Fund to the Debit Card Fund. The motion carried 4-0-0.

c. Zoning Report-

A motion was made by seconded by B. Sadow, seconded by N. Alessi, to approve the May 2015 Zoning Report as presented. The motion carried 4-0-0.

COMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS: Sancu Tenney, EAC had a question about possible activity at Cabot. J. Yeager suggested having the Township Engineer check in on any activity.

S. Tenney asked about rescheduling a previously cancelled work session with OSC. S. Tenney suggested bringing up the items for discussion at a future regular BOS meeting. S. Tenney asked for an executive session for tonight's meeting.

Todd Stone, BGMNTC, asked the Board for approval for the Growing Greener Grant.

A motion was made by N. Alessi, seconded by F. Ganiszewski, to move forward with the grant. The motion carried 4-0-0.

T. Stone noted that a previously scheduled presentation is being rescheduled for either June 29 or 30th evening at the Township Building.

Neil Jesiolowski, Historic Commission, announced that the Nockamixon Township Historical Commission received correspondence from the Heritage Conservancy noting that the Commission has been selected as winner of the 2015 Heritage Partners Historic Preservation Award. The award will be presented to the Commission at Aldie Mansion on the evening of June 10.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: J. Yeager explained that a whistleblower policy is being prepared for Board approval at the next meeting.

J. Yeager noted the final brief should be presented in the Act 13 Case tomorrow with argument expected in early fall.

The Board entered into executive session at 8:30 p.m. to discuss real estate. The Board returned from executive session at 9:15 p.m.

SUBDIVISIONS: Hoffman extension - expires 6/1/2015

A motion was made by B. Sadow, seconded by N. Alessi, to recommend denial of the George Hoffman Subdivision unless an extension is received by 6/1/2015. The motion carried 4-0-0.

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OLD BUSINESS:

- a. **Fee Schedule - amendment** - A resolution is being prepared.
- b. **Alexander Way & Woodstream Road - dedication** - previously discussed.
- c. **Cabot Corp** - previously discussed.
- d. **Hidden Valley** - Intex correspondence 4/20/2015.

NEW BUSINESS: none

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. **Emergency Management** - no report.
- b. **Environmental Advisory Committee** - previously discussed.
- c. **BNT Ground Water Committee** - previously discussed.
- d. **Open Space Committee** - previously discussed.
- e. **Park & Recreation Board** - no report.
- f. **Nockamixon Historic Commission** - previously discussed.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by N. Alessi, seconded by F. Ganiszewski, to adjourn the Board of Supervisors meeting at 9:20 p.m. The motion carried 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather DiSario
Recording Secretary