

NORTH HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

July 24, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of North Heidelberg Township was called to order at 7:00 P.M. The pledge of allegiance to the flag followed. Supervisors present were Chairman, Mitch Wolfe, Supervisor David Pool, and Supervisor Robert Klinger. Also in attendance were, Bethany Emkey, Township Solicitor, Jeff Fiant, Kraft Code Services, and Township Secretary Tanya Taatjes.

Minutes – The minutes from the June 26, 2019 BOS meeting were reviewed with no additions or corrections. Chairman Wolfe made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted and the motion was seconded by Supervisor Klinger. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report – The treasurer’s report was provided for review. Chairman Wolfe made a motion that the treasurer’s report be accepted as submitted subject to audit. Supervisor Klinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comments on Agenda Items Only – There were no public comments.

Tax Collectors Report- The monthly Tax Collector Report was reviewed by Kloma Kalbach as well as sitting hours for August.

Correspondence –

- a. Fireworks- The Township was informed that David Carlino will be hosting a professional fireworks display on August 24, 2019 at 44 Woodstone Lane, Bernville at approximately 8:00 P.M.
- b. A Disaster Loan Outreach Center (DLOC) will be established at the Township of Spring Fire Department for residents affected by the June 20 and 21, 2019 storms. Dates and times were reviewed. The closing date is August 1, 2019. More information is available upon request.

Planning Commission – The July 18, 2019 PC meeting was canceled.

Kraft Codes Services Report- 2 permits were issued from 5/26/19-6/25/19. It was noted by Building Code Official Jeff Fiant that some chickens have escaped from a previous complaint and he will follow up with the homeowner.

Road Report-

- a. The Hill View Road work by Texas Eastern is scheduled for Monday, July 29, 2019 and will not require the road to be closed.
- b. Walter Stewart expressed his opinion that he did not ask for the cul-de-sac that is proposed on North Hill Rd. His concern is getting the water off the road and improving the drainage. A general discussion ensued about the overall scope of the project. It was explained by Chairman Wolfe that the cul-de-sac could be a line item on the

proposed bid that could be removed by the BOS. It was further explained by Solicitor Emkey that a motion to bid could be made with the contingency that both a permanent and temporary easement be agreed upon with the adjacent property owners. It would also be contingent upon The Township receiving the dirt and gravel grant as well as separate line items for the road work, drainage and the 50 foot cul-de-sac. A motion was made by Chairman Wolfe and seconded by Supervisor Pool to advertise the bid with said contingencies. Motion carried.

- c. Roadmaster Klinger explained that The Township received \$250 in damages for the trash that was dumped on Charming Forge Rd.
- d. Station, Graeff, and Locust are scheduled for oil and chip on Monday, July, 29, 2019.

#### Old Business-

- a. Brian Swanson explained that the audit is ready to be submitted. The Township auditors along with the Township Secretary and consultant Diana Patton have been working on correcting the data entry errors and reconciling discrepancies within QuickBooks.

Chairman Wolfe made a motion to advertise hiring a CPA to perform the 2019 audit. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Klinger. Motion carried.

- b. The Township has submitted a complaint on the PennDOT District 5 website regarding the North Heidelberg Rd and PA-183 intersection. Chairman Wolfe has been in contact with Christmas Village and the other bordering townships regarding the complaint.

New Business- The August BOS meeting was advertised for August 21, 2019, which is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month instead of the 4<sup>th</sup>. It was decided by the BOS to keep the meeting as originally advertised.

Solicitor Items- The PA Historical and Museum Commission has released a new version of its municipal records manual for records retention and disposition.

Solicitor Emkey explained that there is an option for municipalities to opt out of having video gaming terminals within their jurisdiction. It must be done by resolution by August 30, 2019 and submitted to the gaming control board.

Action Items- None

Public Comment- Brian Swanson expressed his concern that the line of sight at the intersection of Charming Forge and Dundore Rd is obstructed. Roadmaster Klinger will investigate and talk to the homeowner regarding the hay bales currently placed at the stop sign which further impede the line of sight.

It was noted that a section of Heidelberg Farms Lane needs to be filled in with cold patch. A resident also expressed his concerns over a property on Heidelberg Farms Lane that is overgrown with weeds. It was noted that the township does not currently have a weed ordinance, but the Code Enforcement Officer will address the complaint with the homeowner.

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Mr. Reazor stated that he did not agree with the proposed cul-de-sac on North Hill. He also has concerns over the amount The Township is spending on administrative fees, particularly the solicitor and engineering fees. He doesn't feel it's necessary to have both at every BOS meeting.

Walter Stewart is concerned about the placement of the stop sign at the intersection of Sheidy and North Heidelberg Rd and the overall appearance of The Township. Roadmaster Klinger will assess the stop sign to make sure it is not a safety issue.

Next Regular Meeting, August 21, 2019.

Bills- A motion was made by Chairman Wolfe and seconded by Supervisor Pool to pay bills and adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Tanya Taatjes, Secretary

People in attendance:

1. Ron Leepen
2. J David Lange Jr
3. Sheila Stewart
4. Donna Terefenko
5. Walter Stewart
6. Ken Kiebach
7. LuAnn Wolfe
8. David Hopkins
9. Brian Swanson
10. Kloma Kalbach
11. Geneva Aulenbach
12. Laura Anne Scheetz
13. Jim Reazor
14. John Kalbach
15. Jeff Schlaybach
16. Jeff Schatz
17. Russell Getz
18. Randy Lutz
19. John Kissling