

NORTH HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

September 25, 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 Supervisor David Pool and Supervisor Robert Klinger. Also in attendance were, Bethany Emkey, Township Solicitor, Jeff Fiant, Kraft Code Services, Ryan Rhode, Kraft Engineering, and Township Secretary Tanya Taatjes.

Minutes – The minutes from the August 21, 2019 BOS meeting were reviewed with no additions or corrections. Supervisor Klinger made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted and the motion was seconded by Supervisor Pool. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report – The treasurer’s report was provided for review. Supervisor Klinger made a motion that the treasurer’s report be accepted as submitted subject to audit. Supervisor Pool 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. A final reminder will be sent out for all unpaid bills. Third installments are due October 31, 2019 for anyone using the installment program.

Correspondence – The Township received the notice of estimated Liquid Fuels allocation for 2020 in the amount of \$133,023.86. It was noted that the estimated amount is down from the previous year.

Planning Commission – The September 19, 2019 PC meeting was canceled.

Kraft Codes Services Report- 3 permits were issued from 7/28/19-8/24/19.

- a. No update was given on the 488 N Heidelberg Rd zoning complaint.
- b. A notice of violation was sent on September 20, 2019 to the property owners at 602 Charming Forge Rd. The owners were given 14 days to properly fence the area where their chickens are being kept.
- c. Township Engineer Ryan Rhode provided a letter requesting release of the escrow funds in the amount of \$30,055.25 for Clements Minor Subdivision. It was noted that all escrow items are complete and in accordance with the approved plan. Supervisor Klinger made a motion to release the funds in the amount of \$30,055.25 once all the Township bills are satisfied. Supervisor Pool seconded the motion and the motion carried.

It was noted that numerous escrow accounts are still being held by the Township. Engineer Rhodes explained that it is the property owner’s responsibility to request the

release of escrow funds. It was further explained that some of the accounts are required to be held for a period of 10 years in accordance with the Tulpehocken Creek Watershed Stormwater Management Ordinance. It was agreed that all the escrow accounts currently being held should be reviewed.

- d. The Township received notice that beginning in 2020, BCCD will be changing how grant applications are received for consideration. Therefore, The Township will resubmit its application for the North Hill Rd project after January 1, 2020. Any flooding or erosion issues that may occur before the project is submitted will be addressed accordingly.

Road Report- Line painting has been completed throughout the Township. \$12,010.90 was paid to A-1 Traffic Control from the General Fund using the funds that were earmarked "in lieu of Evergreen".

Supervisor Klinger made a motion to buy a new hedge trimmer. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Pool and the motion carried. Supervisor Klinger made a motion to purchase a concrete chop saw. It was noted that the Township may already own one. Supervisor Pool tabled the motion until it is determined whether or not the Township currently has one.

A letter was received by Township resident Lisa Heilman thanking the road crew for its work.

Old Business- John Kalbach donated 2 splits for the heating/air conditioning unit. Tom Jones will install the units.

New Business- Kevin Kurtz, treasurer for the Robesonia library requested a donation from the Township in the amount of \$789.00 for 2020 (\$.65 per capita). The Township donated \$607.00 in 2019 (based on \$.50 per capita). Jeff Schatz asked that the Township raise the donation to \$1.00 per capita. Supervisor Pool asked that the request be tabled until the October BOS meeting.

Solicitor Items/Action Items- Supervisor Pool made a motion to adopt Resolution 06-2019, appointing Lettich and Zipay to audit all accounts of the Township for 2019. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Klinger and the motion carried.

Public Comment- Walter Stewart would like to see the financial reports consolidated. Secretary Taatjes explained that the accounts have all been separated.

Brian Swanson will contact PennDOT regarding the herbicide used along the state roads.

A resident expressed concern over the line of sight on Hill View Road.

A question was raised over a perc test at Heidelberg Heights. No address was given.

A request was made for clarification on burning within the Township. It was suggested that the zoning officer or fire chief be contacted with any specific questions.

BCCD has information on its website related to the spotted lantern fly.

Next Regular Meeting, October 23, 2019.

Bills- A motion was made by Supervisor Klinger and seconded by Supervisor Pool to pay bills and adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:50.

Respectfully submitted,

Tanya Taatjes, Secretary

People in attendance:

1. George Ferrero
2. Barry Goodhart
3. Diane Goodhart
4. Rodney Cimbalista
5. Walter Stewart
6. Ken Kiebach
7. Annette Guss
8. David Hopkins
9. Brian Swanson
10. Kloma Kalbach
11. John Kalbach
12. Kevin Kurtz
13. Jim Reazor
14. Joan Ferrero
15. G. Oxenrieder
16. T. Oxenrieder
17. Jeff Schatz
18. Russell Getz
19. John Kissling
20. Jim Tomanelli
21. Laura Anne Scheetz
22. J David Lange Jr
23. John Ruth
24. Roger Voit
25. Randy Lutz
26. Geneva Aulenbach
27. Unknown
28. Unknown