

NORTH HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

August 21, 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, Christopher Hartman, Township Solicitor, Jeff Fiant, Kraft Code Services, Ryan Rhode, Kraft Engineering, and Township Secretary Tanya Taatjes.

Minutes – The minutes from the July 24, 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 Pool seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Walter Stewart asked that the Escrow Accounts be provided for review in the treasurer’s report.

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. Installment coupons have been printed and will be mailed.

Correspondence – First Energy will be conducting Aerial Vegetation Management Patrols through the week of August 31, 2019 to gather information pertaining to vegetation conditions.

Planning Commission – The August 15, 2019 PC meeting was canceled.

It was noted that no action has currently been taken by the BOS on the rezoning of the former Blue Marsh Ski Area.

Kraft Codes Services Report- 11 permits were issued from 6/23/19-7/27/19, 8 of which were zoning permits for Texas Eastern.

- a. Pictures were taken of the Heidelberg Farms weed complaint. No action was taken.
- b. The vacant property on 57 Stump Lane is going for upset tax sale in September.
- c. There have been no additional chicken complaints.
- d. The Township received two quotes for the North Hill Rd project that were forwarded to BCCD. The Township was advised that BCCD will be meeting on Wednesday, August 28, 2019 to review their budget and application process. No action was taken at this time.

Road Report- Numerous trees and debris have been cleaned up throughout the Township. Supervisor Klinger explained that the bridges throughout the Township are inspected by PennDOT every two years. They were last inspected in 2017 with no deficiencies.

- a. The Charming Forge/Dundore Intersection has been cleared to increase visibility.
- b. The section of Heidelberg Farms Lane has been patched.
- c. The Sheidy Stop sign has been fixed.
- d. The lines within the Township are scheduled to be painted in the next couple of weeks.

Old Business- An advertisement was placed in the Reading Eagle on August 16, 2019 to consider the hiring of a CPA for the 2019 audit at the September 25, 2019 BOS meeting. The Township has received several estimates. Secretary Taatjes will verify that the proposals received are for a FPA.

The 2018 audit has been submitted.

New Business- Supervisor Klinger made a motion to change the Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance Policy from SWIF to AmTrust North America. The change is based on an annual savings of \$1,370 for identical coverage. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Pool and the motion carried.

Solicitor Items- None

Action Items- The Township received the Winter Municipal Agreement for 2019-2024. The winter season is considered October 15-April 30. A motion was made by Chairman Wolfe to submit the agreement contingent upon review by the solicitor. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Pool and the motion carried.

Public Comment- A resident expressed concerns over an altercation with another township resident. Solicitor Hartman explained that it appears to be a private civil matter between the two property owners and suggested contacting a lawyer or the state police. It is his opinion that the Township doesn't have any jurisdiction over the matter.

A permit is not required for a fire pit.

Brian Swanson expressed thanks to the road crew for the work done on the Charming Forge/Dundore intersection. The farmer was asked to move the remaining hay bales to further improve the line of sight at the intersection.

There was a discussion about the lack of air conditioning in the meeting room. Tom Jones volunteered to get an estimate for a combination AC/heat pump unit.

Next Regular Meeting, September 25, 2019.

North Heidelberg Township

August 21, 2019

Page 3

Bills- A motion was made by Chairman Wolfe and seconded by Supervisor Klinger to pay bills and adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:35.

Respectfully submitted,

Tanya Taatjes, Secretary

People in attendance:

1. Sharon Gruber
2. Barry Goodhart
3. Gabe Tulli
4. Donna Terefenko
5. Walter Stewart
6. Ken Kiebach
7. LuAnn Wolfe
8. David Hopkins
9. Brian Swanson
10. Kloma Kalbach
11. Thomas Jones
12. Evelyn Jones
13. Jim Reazor
14. John Kalbach
15. Jeff Schatz
16. Russell Getz
17. John Kissling