

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PERRY TOWNSHIP
November 9, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Perry Township was called to order by Chairman Lance N. Adam at 7:30 p.m. on November 9, 2021 from the Perry Township Municipal Building, 680 Moselem Springs Road, Shoemakersville, PA. The meeting was also being held via zoom conferencing. The format for tonight's meeting is in compliance with PSATS. The meeting was also being recorded.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call was held and the following Supervisors were present:

Lance N. Adam- PRESENT
Patrick J. Daly- PRESENT
Dean A. Adam- ABSENT

Also present at the board meeting were:

Allen Shollenberger, Esq. - PRESENT
Rochelle Dreibelbis, Administrator – PRESENT

*Chairman Adam made a motion to amend the agenda to add VFRA Disbursement Ratio, 2022 Budget Advertisement, and Ronald Adam Sub-division Plan Approval. Motion seconded by Supervisor Daly. Motion passed with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Supervisor Daly introduced Supervisor- elect, Joseph Dalton. Supervisor Daly also recognized Matthew Gring, whom was attending for citizenship in the community for his Eagle Scout merit badge.

Public Comment:

Janine Daniel- 52 Zions Church Road- Looking to start a mobile trailer repair business out of their home. Jeff Fiant will discuss the process with her after the meeting. Janine also questioned when the mound of dirt on Zions Church Road will be removed? She confirmed the pile is sitting in front of 4 homes on Zions Church Road. It is believed the dirt is to level the area once the batch plant is complete. Chairman Adam will discuss with the excavation company.

Heidi Schell- 211 Birch Hill Road-on Zoom- Questioned if another warehouse is going on Zions Church Road? Heidi was under the impression that 150 Birch Hill Road was the last warehouse going in the area. Chairman Adam confirmed they are 2 separate projects. There are 2 more buildings to be added to the Zions Church Road project.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made by Chairman Adam to accept the Committee meeting minutes of October 5, 2021 and Supervisor meeting minutes of October 12, 2021. Supervisor Daly seconded the motion. Motion passed with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Treasurers Report:

Motion was made by Supervisor Daly to accept the Treasurer's report dated October 31, 2021. Chairman Adam seconded the motion. Motion passed with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Foreign Fire Disbursement Ratio: The Board is looking to change the disbursement to a 90:10 ratio between Shoemakersville Fire Company and Virginville Fire Company. This money is funding from the state which must be disbursed. The ratio is determined by run volume and amount of fire calls. Chairman Adam made a motion to change the disbursement to 90% Shoemakersville Fire Company and 10% Virginville Fire Company. Supervisor Daly seconded the motion. Motion passed with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Bills for Payment:

Supervisor Daly and Chairman Adam confirmed the delivery of 300 tons of salt. Chairman Adam explained why we needed to completely fill the diesel tank. Motion was made by Chairman Adam to approve the Bills for Payment dated November 9, 2021. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Daly. Motion passed with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Berks County DES 2022 Contract- Allen Shollenberger presented a resolution and agreement to enter into the consolidated dispatching services provided to the municipalities by Berks County. The agreement offers consumer price index protection up to 6.5%. The 2022 cost would be \$5,409.57 for fire, \$0.00 for police and \$5,311.16 for EMS for a total of \$10,720.73. Chairman Adam made a motion to enter into the agreement and Resolution 11-2021 for the Department of Emergency Services Contract for 2022. Supervisor Daly seconded the motion. Motion passed with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Truck Restriction Ordinance- Allen Shollenberger prepared an ordinance based upon Joe Body's truck restriction study for Bellevue Ave and Main Street Intersection. The ordinance allows enforcement of the recommendations set forth by Joe. Ryan Rhode from Kraft Engineering had no objections. Chairman Adam made a motion to advertise the ordinance restricting trailers greater than 40ft on Bellevue Avenue. Supervisor Daly seconded the motion. Motion passed with all Supervisors present voting yes. Allen did have some concerns. The landowner placed some large rocks in the township right-away, which is a liability concern for the township. Allen confirmed in terms of liability, there is a difference between the landowner putting them there and the township putting them there. Ryan Rhodes will look into this situation and discuss with the township. Ryan agrees with Allen's statement in terms of liability for the township.

Escrow Contract- An escrow contract was sent on behalf of 1025 Berkshire and Perry Partners. Allen reviewed the contract and saw no issues with acceptance. It was confirmed 1025 Berkshire and Perry Partners are two separate entities. Chairman Adam made a motion to enter into the escrow contract with 1025 Berkshire and Perry Partners. Supervisor Daly seconded the motion. Motion passed with all Supervisors present voting yes.

2022 Meeting Dates and Times- Chairman Adam addressed some time changes to the 2022 meeting dates. The committee meetings, supervisor's meetings, recreation board meetings, and the joint meetings are all proposed to move to 7:00 pm. Chairman Adam made a motion to advertise

the 2022 Meeting Notice with the proposed time changes. Supervisor Daly seconded the motion. Motion passed with all Supervisor's present voting yes.

2022 Preliminary Budget- The preliminary 2022 budget is complete. One correction was made to the budget under 405- Secretary-Treasurer Expenditures. Supervisor Daly confirmed there are no tax increases. Chairman Adam made a motion to advertise the 2022 Preliminary Budget with the correction to 405- Expenditures. Supervisor Daly seconded the motion. Motion passed with all Supervisors present voting yes.

OnSolve Contract- This contract is for 2022 CodeRed yearly fee. Chairman Adam made a motion to enter into the 2022 CodeRed- OnSolve contract for the amount of \$1,500.00. Supervisor Daly seconded the motion. Motion passed with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Hughes Hill Road/ 5-Locks Road Paving- Proposal explained by Ryan Rhode from Kraft Engineering. Bids were requested from 3 paving companies. Wesner Paving and Sloan Paving did not provide bids. The lone bid received was from Ronnie C. Folk at the amount of \$6,890.00 for Hughes Hill Road and \$14,625.00 for 5-Locks Road. Kraft Engineering confirms the bids are complete and accurate. Chairman Adam made a motion to accept Ronnie C Folk's proposal for Hughes Hill Road for the amount of \$6,890.00. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Daly. Chairman Adam also made a motion to accept Ronnie C. Folk's proposal for 5-Locks Road for the amount of \$14,625.00. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Daly. Both motions passed with all Supervisor's present voting yes.

Plow Driver Hire- Jacob Balatgek was asked to return as a plow driver for the township. He was a previous employee of good merit. Jacob has accepted. Chairman Adam made a motion to hire Jacob Balatgek as a winter plow driver for Perry Township. Supervisor Daly seconded the motion. Motion passed with all Supervisor's present voting yes.

Reports:

The following reports were given to the Board of Supervisors:

Jeff Fiant, Kraft Code Services- For the period ending 10/28/21, there were 28 building inspections, 1 certificate of occupancy for a new single family detached dwelling on Mountain View Rd, and issued 3 permits with an improvement value of \$165,002.00 The permits included a fit-out at one of the warehouses, a sprinkler system, and a commercial permit for SmartChoice Auto.

Gene Buck, Planning Commission – The Planning Commission had a meeting on November 3, 2021. All members were present. Birch Hill Road residents requested to be on the agenda again, with 4 members of the group attending. A representative from Birch Hill Road Development was present to help answer questions. Representatives from Dietrich Tract/ Perry Village did not attend. Plans were reviewed for Ronald Adam's Sub-division. Mike Bercek was in attendance to present the plans. Final plan approval was granted for the Ronald Adam's Sub-division. The Birch Hill Road Development project was granted a time extension to December 15, 2021. Planning Commission meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Donald Mast, Municipal Authority- One water leak resulted in the loss of 700,000 gallons of water. The leak was found at a batch plant, where an elbow came apart.

Jeff Fiant, Kraft Codes Zoning--The zoning report included 2 permits- a 24x40 shed and a 15x18 wood shed. Property maintenance issues include 537 Dreibelbis Mill Road, 46 Hunter Liggett Drive, 1500 Main Street, and Clarence Avenue. On Clarence Avenue, people are parking in the right-of-way on the street. Jeff is going to reach out to these properties with the property maintenance ordinance Joe Body provided. If the property owners cooperate right away, they will not receive NOV's. Jeff proposed the question to Allen Shollenberger how to handle Clarence Avenue since it is a public street? Allen stated it is not a zoning issue. Chairman Adam interjected it will violate Ordinance 1-01 during the winter because Clarence Avenue is posted as snow emergency route. Jeff and Chairman Adam checked on the progress at 500 Mohrsville Road.

Jeff spoke with S. Walter about the pallets stacked against their building. The pallets were moved and will eventually be disposed.

An application was received for the Zoning Hearing Board from Todd Grim at 399 Farview Road concerning sub-division of a lot. Gene Buck interjected they applied before and were denied due to already maxing out subdivision allowance.

Ryan Rhode, Kraft Engineering- Ryan explained his engineer reporting process. Ryan explained the individual project reports are not included in the engineering report but are available at any time. Mike Bercek was in representation of the Ronald Adams Sub-division project. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the final plans. Ryan requested some of the conditional use notes be revised. Ryan recommended conditional plan approval at this time. Allen Shollenberger agreed. Chairman Adam made a motion to grant conditional plan approval pending Ryan's review of the Ronald Adam Sub-division. Supervisor Daly seconded the motion. Motion passed with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Chairman Adam questioned if the HLP Satellite Truck Parking Lot is only for trailer storage or for overnight sleeping quarters? Ryan believes it is for trailer storage but will request clarification.

Ryan submitted the two Dreibelbis Mill Road bridges for grant funding. Berks County Planning Commission acknowledged the submission.

Ryan and Chairman Adam met to review potential township projects.

*Chairman Adam made a motion to amend the agenda to add Birch Hill Road Land Development Time Extension. Supervisor Daly seconded the motion. Motion passed with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Birch Hill Road Land Development requested a time extension to December 15, 2021. Chairman Adam made a motion to grant a time extension for 150 Birch Hill Road Land Development until December 15, 2021. Supervisor Daly seconded the motion. Motion passed with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Solicitor- Allen Shollenberger reported there are 3 pending litigations for failure to pump-out septic tanks. One resident has pumped out, however needs to pay the civil action fees of the amount \$483.91. The second has a default hearing date of 12/3/2021 but DJ has been unable to serve the party. The third has a hearing on 12/10/2021. The septic still needs to be pumped and the fees accrued are \$487.27. Administrator Dreibelbis will most likely need to testify at this hearing.

EMC- No report.

Road Master-October Road Master report was submitted. Chairman Adam and Ryan Rhode checked out a few potential projects including bridges, rotted drain pipes, and washed-out shoulders. One potential project is at Leatherman's woods. The shoulder is gone due to the bank being eroded all the way to the creek. Looking to shift the road towards the embankment. Dan Leatherman is on board with the project. US Trucking paid \$642.00 to replace the stop sign at Bellevue and Main due to their driver running it over. A reminder was said about NOT DUMPING YARD DEBRIS ON THE SHOULDERS. This is greatly affecting water run-off. On Adams Hotel Road, 5 speed limit signs were stolen, post and all. They have been replaced. Chairman Adam reported on a rainy/windy night, the loaders windshield was broken. While pushing a tree from Adams Hotel Road, the top of the tree broke and cracked the windshield. The township road crew is going to assist in replacing the windshield to keep the cost lower. 300 tons of salt has been delivered, giving roughly 800 tons of salt in the bin.

J B Environmental- A permit was issued for a new single-family dwelling on Birch Hill Road

Recreation Park- Chairman Adam discussed the vandalism and destruction at the recreation park over the last month. The pavilion tables were defaced using charcoal from the grills. The 4 responsible boys were caught on camera and were forced to scrub all the tables under supervision. Early Saturday morning, someone drove their car through the main baseball field's outfield resulting in damage. Pictures were shown of all damage. NFI is still looking to donate to the community. A donation packet is being put together including an electronic scoreboard, a flagpole, electric for the scoreboard and lights, and a new batting cage. The bathroom is going to be renovated. The Lion's Club donated \$1,000 towards the renovation. Quotes are being gathered for vegetation control at the park. More lights are to be installed at the park. The Recreation Board has donated \$1,000.00 towards "Christmas in the Park".

Correspondence: None

Public Comments:

Donnie Mast- Mentioned he is very happy to see Joey Dalton there. Donnie also stated Daniel Moyer did not attend the Municipal Authority meeting to discuss his fire escape.

Gerald Stauffer- 1536 Main Street- Discussed some on-going issues with the occupants of Corvette Corner. They have been creating disturbances since the beginning of summer. The disturbances include, but are not limited to, half sticks of dynamite, racing 4-wheelers up the street and in the 1510 warehouse parking lot, and loud trucks up and down the street. Several elderly residents are scared in their homes, as well as young families being woken up. Wiring by Wall has had fireworks land on their roof. The land lord has been addressed and the state police have been notified. Jeff Fiant will look closely into this matter and will issue NOV if no cooperation along with further steps if needed.

Nancy James- Nancy asked for more cameras to be installed at the recreation park. Nancy said "either way we are going to pay", meaning by adding more cameras or by fixing damage to the park. Chairman Adam said motion lights have been ordered which will help the existing cameras.

Bill Kerper, whom installed the cameras, was contacted to provide a quote for more extended reach cameras. Nancy requested the Reading Eagle to report the vandalism. Perry Township does contribute to Berks Crime Alert, whom provides rewards. Nancy discussed trimming the tree at the monument and at the recreation park. The monument is from the old Perry Elementary School and is covered in mildew from being shaded. Chairman Adam stated 35 trees at the recreation park are being quoted for trimming. Chairman Adam also stated the tree that was laying on the wires on Ridge Road has been removed at the expense of Glen Gery. Donna Long asked if the wood is going to be cleaned up? Chairman Adam believes the property owner is going to remove it for fire wood. Nancy asked for a nice thank you letter to be sent to Amy Lovins for all her years as auditor.

Tom Radcliff- Mentioned the increase of tractor trailer traffic on Stone Hill Road and the excessive speeding. Stone Hill Road is heavily walked and biked by residents. Chairman Adam will contact the DOT trooper at the Hamburg barracks.

Adjourn:

Chairman Adam made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Daly to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm. Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting yes.

MINUTES APPROVED ON:
December 14, 2021

RECORDED BY:

Lance N. Adam, Chairman

Rochelle Dreibelbis
Administrator