

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTHAMPTON MINUTES
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

7:00PM

March 24, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

Paul Witter – Chairman
Greg Richardson – Vice Chairman
Samuel Cressler – Secretary/Treasurer

OTHERS PRESENT

Carol Redding Esq. - Township Solicitor (via Skype)
Doug Shields – Code Enforcement
Maria Misner – Planning/Recording Secretary

VISITORS PRESENT

Mel Wadlinger – Resident
Galen Burkholder – News Chronicle
Bill Naugle – 810 Remington Drive
Michael Alderman – Liberty Property Trust

Chairman Witter called the meeting of March 24, 2015 to order at 7:00pm and announced the meeting was being recorded.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

VISITOR REMARKS

There were no visitor remarks.

APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 10TH, 2015.

The minutes from the March 10th meeting, was approved as presented.

OLD BUSINESS

Proctor & Gamble Lighting

Mr. Mike Alderman from Liberty Property Trust was present to give an update on the Proctor & Gamble Lighting. Mr. Alderman stated that they have already adjusted the angle and tilt of some of the lights and have put some black screening along the fencing. They are currently working with the manufacturer of the lights on the north side of the building to have them fabricate shields that will eliminate the bulb view of the light source. They are going to plant

some trees as a screen along Mainsville Road and try to reduce the wall-wash of the building itself that is appearing to add brightness.

Investment Policy Resolution

Supervisor Cressler stated that they have received comments back from the Township Accountant and PSATS recommending the Township take another shot at the investment policy, they felt it was too aggressive.

Supervisor Richardson asked Solicitor Carol Redding how they made it as far as they did on the investment policy when they asked her if Township funds could be invested in such a way, she replied they could. He asked her opinion of the current situation a few days prior and did not get a response.

Solicitor Carol Redding replied that her opinion was based upon Mr. Alexander's opinion as a financial consultant. Mr. Alexander was very confident that the policy he was proposing was not a problem because he had researched it and had used it before with other municipalities. The question that PSATS commented on was also asked of Mr. Alexander and he referred to a section of the Second Class Township Code that did in fact appear to suggest that what he was proposing to the Township was fine. Her recommendation to the current situation was to get Mr. Alexander and PSATS to work together to come up with a satisfactory solution.

Supervisor Richardson stated that he would like to have this resolved and a policy in place within the next three months.

There was discussion regarding how to invest the funds currently available until the investment policy is finalized.

MOTION: Samuel Cressler moved to invest \$250,000 in three-month CD, \$250,000 in a six-month CD and roll the one about to reach maturity over for one year, all with F&M. Supervisor Witter seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Ordinance 2015-003 Park & Recreation Authority

The Borough of Shippensburg approved their Authority Members and the creation of the Park & Recreation Authority.

MOTION: Samuel Cressler moved to approve Ordinance 2015-003, establishing the Shippensburg Community Park & Recreation Authority. Supervisor Richardson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

BOS Meeting Dates for Remainder of 2015

Supervisor Richardson stated that because he is working a full-time job elsewhere, he cannot make the Second Tuesday of each month's Board of Supervisor's meetings.

Samuel Cressler stated that there should be no problem with one meeting a month because there is a provision for him to pay the bills that are due earlier in the month.

There was discussion on changing the start time to 6:00pm.

MOTION: Samuel Cressler moved to eliminate the morning Board of Supervisor's meetings beginning in May, making the remainder of the year's meetings May 26, June 23, July 28, August 25, September 22, October 27, November 24 and December 22 beginning at 6:00pm. Supervisor Witter seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Advertise for the Sale of the 2004 Ford F550

Samuel Cressler reported that the Township had received the new truck the previous week. He would like to open bids at the second meeting in May.

MOTION: Supervisor Witter moved to advertise the Ford F550 to be put out on bids to be opened on May 26th. Sealed bids must be received by 4:30 on the 26th. Supervisor Richardson seconded the motion which passed unanimously

CVAS Ultimatum

Supervisor Cressler reported that there has been no communication or budget request with CVAS since 2013, so there was nothing put in the budget in 2014 or 2015. He has been receiving letters and emails and phone calls from them wanting to know where their contribution is. Now they have said that if the Township does not submit a 2014 contribution, they will stop receiving stray animals from Southampton Township residents.

Supervisor Richardson suggested that they submit a budget request for 2016 and it be considered at that time.

Doug Shields suggested contacting a Township resident, Loretta Wietry who is actively involved in pet animal care and is knowledgeable in this type of animal welfare activity.

Supervisor Cressler stated that he will contact CVAS and tell them to put in a request at budget time and that the Board of Supervisors authorized the Code Enforcement Officer to research the animal situation.

SUBDIVISIONS

SD 2015-003 Lauver Farms, LLC - Land Development

Maria Misner reported that there was no quorum at the Planning Commission meeting. The three who were present unofficially reviewed the plan and did not see anything of concern and passed it on to the supervisors for review. The only outstanding items are written Conservation District approval and Bonding.

MOTION: Supervisor Witter moved to approve SD 2015-003 Lauver Farms, LLC conditionally upon receipt of Conservation District approval and bonding is secured. Samuel Cressler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

SD 2015-004 Lamar Martin – Stormwater Waiver Request SALDO 906.2

Maria Misner stated that the Township has received documentation from Dennis E. Black engineering demonstrating and certifying that there will be no additional stormwater generated from the proposed building.

MOTION: Supervisor Richardson moved to approve SD 2015-004 Lamar Martin – Stormwater Waiver Request of SALDO 906.2. Paul Witter seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

REPORTS OF TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS AND AGENCIES

GIS Agreement – Mrs. Redding gave an update on the GIS Agreement. There were last minute changes by the County. She recommended waiting until the newest version can be reviewed. The agreement will be ready for final approval at the April 14th Board of Supervisor's meeting.

Pending Litigation with US Xpress – Supervisor Richardson asked if there was any estimated closure date on the civil matter with US Xpress?

Mrs. Redding replied that she has been in contact with Mr. Gilroy regarding the status. A month ago his response was that he was preparing the agreement. Today his response was that the agreement was prepared and is with US Xpress' counsel for their review and approval. He did not giving her a time-frame when she asked.

Supervisor Richardson stated that if the Township is going to put trees in there, early spring is the best time to do it so the planting is successful.

Appalachian Trail Grant – Maria Misner, Planning, would like to pursue a grant for \$35,000 with a 20% local match to put a park area along Middle Ridge Road and or an area off of Ridge Road a mile further South to promote access for residents. The biggest obstacle is getting permission from Michaux State Forest.

Supervisor Richardson asked that Maria first determine if the match can be “in-kind.”

MOTION: Samuel Cressler moved to authorize Maria to pursue the grant. Supervisor Richardson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Resignation of Clem Mellot from CCIS – Doug Shields reported that Clem Mellot has resigned from Commonwealth Code Inspection Service. Andy Nelson is taking his place. Mr. Mellot is starting his own business Pa. Municipal Code Inspection. There are members of the Franklin Council of Government who are considering going with Mr. Mellot’s new business.

Lighting Ordinance – There was a meeting regarding the new Lighting Ordinance with Tim Cormany. The ordinance was pared down so it was not so cumbersome. There was a two-fold outcome. The first part is to go through the Land Development process where the plan is reviewed by the lighting specialist. The seconded component is enforcement. It would be an amendment to both the SALDO and Zoning. Mr. Cormany is preparing another revision which should be ready in a week or so for further review.

Unsafe Structure on Mapleton Road – Mr. Shields stated that the unsafe structure on Mapleton Road is finally being demolished.

Fire Police Signs – Mr. Shields commended the volunteer fire police who have been with the Township through West End. They would like to have signs that can be placed in a traffic cone that gives direction and would help aid in their routing of traffic in emergency and non-emergency situations. The bill for the assorted signs is \$571.74.

MOTION: Supervisor Richardson moved to approve the purchase of signs for the Fire Police. Supervisor Witter seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

ACTION ON PAYING THE BILLS

MOTION: Supervisor Witter made a motion to pay the general fund in the amount of \$43,222.20. Supervisor Witter seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned by Supervisor Witter at 8:25pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Maria Misner
Recording Secretary