

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

8:00 a.m.

December 14, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT

Samuel Cressler – Chairman
Randy Brenize – Vice Chairman
Roger Hall

OTHERS PRESENT

Melissa Kelso Esq. – Township Solicitor
Kathy Durf – Secretary/Treasurer
Jamie White – Code Enforcement
Maria Misner – Planning/Zoning

VISITORS PRESENT

Chairman Cressler called the meeting of December 14th, to order at 8:00 a.m. and announced the meeting may be recorded.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

VISITOR REMARKS

There were no visitor remarks.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 23RD, 2021

MOTION: Supervisor Hall moved to approve the minutes of November 23rd meeting as presented. Supervisor Cressler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Fire Department ARPA Funding

The Township desired to make a one-time transfer of ARPA funds to help mitigate financial hardships incurred by the Township Fire Departments due to COVID-19. Solicitor Kelso prepared a document for each West End Fire and Rescue and Pleasant Hall based upon documentation of expenditures.

MOTION: Supervisor Brenize moved to contribute \$118,983.00 to WEFR and \$3,869.00 to Pleasant Hall based upon documentation each provided. Supervisor Cressler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

White Church Road Cattle Crossing

The Township received a letter asked for some sort of help due to vehicles driving into cattle while crossing the road approximately twice a month.

Solicitor Kelso said she has researched this. PennDOT does not recommend anything unless there is a sight distance problem which there is not in this case.

Supervisor Cressler asked Solicitor Kelso if the Township could donate some old saw horses with flashing lights. A letter would accompany saying they were a donation. The Township would not be held liable.

MOTION: Supervisor Hall moved to donate the two pieces of equipment with a letter. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Penn Trails

Discussion only about trail construction at Furnace Run.

2022 Budget

MOTION: Supervisor Hall moved to approve the preliminary budget as final. Randy seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

CPA Appointment

Supervisor Cressler stated Smith Elliott Kearns has been the Township CPA and performed the audit for a number of years. He is very happy with their service.

MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to appoint Smith Elliott Kerns as Township Auditor. Supervisor Brenize second the motion which passed unanimously.

Ordinance 21-005 - Mayapple/Mapleton Speed Limit & Stop /Sign Ordinance

Solicitor Kelso stated both Ordinances have been advertised and are ready for adoption. This ordinance places stop signs on Mayapple Drive between Mapleton Road to the dead end, and on Mapleton Road between Orrstown Road to the dead end as the speed study recommended.

MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to adopt Ordinance 21-005, Supervisor Hall seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Ordinance 21-006 - Spring Ridge Road Speed Limit Ordinance

The speed study recommended a speed limit of 35 mph on Spring Ridge Road between Orrstown Road and Roxbury Road.

MOTION: Supervisor Hall moved to approve Ordinance 21-006, Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

Maria reported that there will be a Conditional Use Hearing for Matrix Lots 11 & 12, January 5th at 3:00 p.m.

AGENDA AMENDED ITEMS

MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to amend the agenda by adding CFJMA and Library appointments. Supervisor Hall seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

CFJMA and Library Appointments

MOTION: Supervisor Hall moved to reappoint Jerome Kater to the CFJMA Board for a five-year term. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

MOTION: Supervisor Brenize moved to appoint Denise Yarwood to the Library board based upon the letter the Township received expressing her interest and current involvement with the library. Supervisor Hall seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

REPORTS OF TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS AND AGENCIES

Solicitor

Solicitor Kelso has inquired again regarding the 1970 CFJMA agreements and amendments with the Borough but has not received them yet.

Supervisor Cressler responded to give them another opportunity before submitting a right-to-know request.

Code Enforcement

Jamie reported that the Radio batteries that were ordered in October should be in next week.

165 Pugh drive is on last chance letter.

Planning/Zoning Officer

Maria reported that Mark Smith got a reprieve for this past Saturday based upon the event being a political fundraiser, but he will probably get another letter in the near future reiterating the hosting of paid events is not a permitted use.

Secretary/Treasurer

No report.

ACTION ON PAYING BILLS

MOTION: Supervisor Hall moved to pay the general fund in the amount of \$62,480.85. Cressler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned by Supervisor Cressler at 8:37 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Maria Misner

Planning/Zoning/Recording Secretary