

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

8:00 a.m.

June 14, 2022

**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**

Johnathan Sharratt – Kelso Law

**Chairman Cressler called the meeting of June 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 OF MAY 24th, 2022**

MOTION: Supervisor Hall moved to approve the minutes of the May 24th meeting as presented. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Eastern Spadefoot Toad Environmental Assessment Update

Maria reported that she heard from Brandon at Ecological Associates at 6:00 am that morning. He is supposed to get her a copy of the report by the end of the day and the Township should hear whether or not they receive clearance from the Fish and Boat Commission by the end of the week.

### New Dump Truck

Road Foreman, Shane Scott, submitted an option for a new dump truck to use a 902 Recycling Grant to obtain a 90/10 grant split for a tandem dump, with the leaf buggy. Total cost is \$433,000 for the truck combo. They would need to submit now as a place holder because backlog is so long. Getting on the list is not an obligation to purchase.

MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to budget for 2023 and get on the list for the purchase of a tandem dump with leaf buggy and fixtures at an estimated cost of \$433,909.00. Actual purchase of the truck would be contingent upon receiving 902 Recycling grant. Supervisor Hall seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### CFJMA Private Line Agreement for Furnace Run Park

Solicitor Kelso took a look at the agreement. She stated there is nothing unexpected. CFJMA is not claiming responsibility for any lines within the park, they are all Township responsibility.

MOTION: Supervisor Brenize moved to sign the CFJMA private line agreement. Supervisor Hall seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

### **SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT**

Maria stated that Kirk Naugle has asked her to get the supervisors opinion. The Conservation District emailed Maria and asked her not to issue permits for Kirk back in December 2020. A letter was supposed to follow, being enforced by DEP. DEP never responded. Kirk is asking for a Land Use Permit while he is working through the process of his NPDES permit.

Supervisor Cressler asked if there was supposed to be an NPDES permit in place and is it in place

Maria replied that one was required, and it should be issued within weeks.

He recommended no permit should be given until the NPDES permit is obtained.

Solicitor Kelso concurred.

No other action was taken.

## **AGENDA AMENDED ITEMS**

MOTION: Supervisor Cressler move to amend the agenda to add Emergency Agreement with Affordable Excavating and Rent Equip to accept top soil from USXpress. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Supervisor Cressler told Solicitor Kelso that an opportunity arose for the Township to get approximately \$500,000 of free topsoil from USXpress, but the Township had to do all of the loading and hauling in a timely fashion. The total amount exceeds the bid threshold, but time was not sufficient for the bidding process. Phone calls were made to local rental and hauling companies for the lowest rental and hauling equipment providers were chosen for emergency agreements. All Township dump trucks are also being used.

MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to accept the donation of topsoil from USXpress and accept the emergency agreement with Rent Equip for \$1895/week and Affordable Excavating for a triaxle dump truck in the amount of \$103/hour. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

## **REPORTS OF TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS AND AGENCIES**

### Solicitor

#### Furnace Run Shared Access Agreement

Solicitor Kelso ask Randy what the status was with Rick Wadel.

Randy replied that Rick Wadel is going to sign the Shared Access Agreement. He had a question about half of the road maintenance and replacing the bridge. Randy gave Becky Abels a heads-up that he would be in for signing.

Solicitor Kelso replied that once that is completed, the plans will be ready to sign and record.

#### Stub Street on Hurley

Supervisor Cressler stated there is a question about ownership of very short stub street on Hurley Drive. He Reached out to Martin & Martin to see if they could determine who owns it. It is not on the liquid fuels map. Tim Cormany said it looks like it may still be owned by the original developer. Currently there are two trailers and an unlicensed vehicle on it.

Kathy said the gentlemen that lives on one side said there is four or five inches of stone that he would like cleaned up.

Solicitor Kelso will look into who owns it and they will go from there.

Kathy will respond to the resident that they are checking into it.

Code Enforcement

Jamie White reported that he has five open violations.

Planning/Zoning

No report.

Secretary, Treasurer

Kathy reported that two different people are complaining about speeding on Holswart and a tractor trailer is parked on wrong side of the road.

Supervisor Hall said there is a state law that you must park on the right side of the travel lane.

Minor Traffic Accident

Supervisor Brenize reported that a pickup truck pulled out and hit one of the Township dump trucks. The State Police did not respond. Does PennDOT require a drug/alcohol test for any sort of accident?

Solicitor Kelso responded that our employee policy states the Township can require an employee to be tested if there is an accident. She will check out if PennDOT has requirements.

**ACTION ON PAYING BILLS**

MOTION: Supervisor Brenize moved to pay the general fund in the amount of \$84,597.44. Supervisor Hall seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned by Supervisor Cressler at 8:38 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Maria Misner

Planning/Zoning/Recording Secretary