

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

8:00 a.m.

February 14, 2023

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

Zaman Agha – 560 S. Carlisle St., Greencastle

Chairman Cressler called the meeting of February 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 JANUARY 24TH 2023

MOTION: Supervisor Hall moved to approve the minutes of January 24th 2023. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Snokes Furnace Run Fill Agreement

Solicitor Kelso reported that the agreement has been altered to allow concrete, allow dumping from sunrise to 4:00 p.m., and added language that the Township should be reimbursed for any fines or penalties incurred by Snokes or a third party.

A map has been created to indicate the designated area of deposit as Exhibit A.

NEW BUSINESS

Furnace Run Utility Line Relocation

Supervisor Brenize said that Brightspeed Communication and Adams Electric are going to put their overhead wires at Furnace Run Park underground. He received the proposal from Brightspeed for \$12,792.20. Adams will not have a charge as long as the Township provides the ditch.

MOTION: Supervisor Hall moved to accept proposal from Brightspeed Communication in the amount of \$12,792.20. Supervisor Cressler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Zaman Agha – Zoning Questions

Mr. Agha said he is looking to utilize 400 Means Hollow Road which is in the Agricultural Zone. His business supports the agricultural industry, primarily dairy, by providing animal health and production products and services. They are an equipment dealer for Delaval. He cannot afford to purchase land in the Industrial Zone.

He has already had a lengthy discussion with Maria who told him the use for sales and services are permitted in the Commercial or the Industrial Zone, not the Agricultural Zone. A change in the Zoning Map is not an option. The only way forward is for a change in the Zoning Ordinance.

Supervisor Cressler stated that even though they appreciate his business and desire, they must be very careful to not set precedence. There appears to be a retail element to his plan that would be non-compliant. Once a decision is granted for one request, it pertains to the entire zone, and the Township is primarily Agricultural. What is to prevent Tractor Supply from building in the Agricultural Zone just because they are geared towards the agricultural community?

Mr. Agha is requesting the supervisors add language to the Zoning Ordinance to permit his type of agricultural services on a case-by-case basis.

Maria will have a discussion with Tim Cormany and Solicitor Kelso and get an idea of whether or not any changes of that nature can be made and get back to Mr. Agha.

Impact Grant Agreement

Maria stated this agreement is required to receive the \$149,000 from Franklin County's Impact Grant that the Township was awarded. Solicitor Kelso has reviewed the agreement.

MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to approve the Impact Grant Agreement. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Street Sweeper

Supervisor Cressler stated the new street sweeper is working well. It is time to advertise the old sweeper.

Kathy Durf has checked into options and procedures of advertising with PSATS and Municibid which will not be a sealed bid. A bid can be rejected from Municibid. It can go on PSATS but it must link to Municibid.

MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to advertise through Municibid and put the link in the April PSATS News Magazine. The bid date will end prior to May 9th with the award possibly being granted at the May 9th Board of Supervisors meeting at 8:00 a.m. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Costars Salt Contract

Kathy Durf reported that she needs to order salt. The Township has been ordering about 300T of salt through Costars for the past four years. She spoke with Shane and he is good with that amount.

MOTION Supervisor Cressler moved to contract with the Costars Salt Contract for 300T. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

AGENDA AMENDED ITEMS

Solicitor Kelso reported that the Deed of Consolidation for Furnace Run is ready for approval.

MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to amend the agenda with the Deed of Consolidation for Furnace Run Park. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to approve the Deed of Consolidation for Furnace Run Park. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Solicitor Kelso will record.

REPORTS OF TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS AND AGENCIES

Solicitor Kelso said she has been discussing enforcing the rules at Furnace Run Park with the staff. Currently, a violation would be filed with the district magistrate. To make things easier, a ticket/fine could be issued. The ticket method would require amending the rules and ordinance and assigning an officer who is going to enforce it.

The supervisors would like Solicitor Kelso to come up with some suggestions for streamlining the process of enforcing violations at Furnace Run Park.

Herwin Village Stub Street

Solicitor Kelso stated her intern has been able to access the Herr children and send letters out consenting to quiet title for the orphan stub street which is the stormwater easement area.

Code Enforcement

Jamie White stated there are 12 rentals, 6 septic pumping, and one mobile home park still outstanding from 2022.

He has identified an escape plan for 1020 Mainsville Road and has documented to all local fire chiefs through emails. He has still not gotten the report from Franklin County.

Insurance Claim

Kathy sent an invoice into Progressive for an accident on White Church Road in which the Township had to clean up the road. She submitted the man hours, front end loader and sweeper truck. The insurance company sent back that it does not fall under any coverage provision in the Progressive Company Policy.

Solicitor Kelso suggested resubmitting it saying it was repair of property damage.

Supervisor Brenize

Received a complain that a resident is bringing brush onto their property and burning it.

Jamie White will check it out.

Supervisor Brenize reported that he had the revisions to the proposed SCIP Resolution, that say everyone is going to get along and share information on what activities, park and recreation facilities, programs, trips and community offerings are in the Shippensburg area.

Supervisor Cressler would like to put the agreement on the next morning meeting to see if anyone else makes a decision on it by then.

ACTION ON PAYING BILLS

MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to pay the general fund in the amount of \$61,487.02. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned by Supervisor Cressler at 9:19 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Maria Misner
Planning/Zoning/Recording Secretary