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

5:00 p.m.

April 27, 2023

# MEMBERS PRESENT

Samuel Cressler – Chairman Randy Brenize – Vice Chairman

# **OTHERS PRESENT**

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

# VISITORS PRESENT

Michael Runyon – Big Dogs/Byers & Runyon Lane Thrush – Big Dogs

# Chairman Cressler called the meeting of April 27th to order at 5:00 p.m. and announced the meeting was being recorded.

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

# VISITOR REMARKS

There were no visitor remarks.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 11TH.

MOTION: Supervisor Brenize moved to approve the minutes of April 11th meeting as presented. Supervisor Cressler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

Furnace Run Water/Sewer/Welcome Center Update

Maria Misner reported that they had just had a meeting to review the revisions for the water & sewer component. The revisions were required due to the wetland delineation report. A revised timeline was proposed.

# Mark Smith Update

Solicitor Kelso reported that she has not heard from Mark Smith's attorney Mr. Hubert Gilroy.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Recognize Furnace Run Tree Planting Volunteers/Groups

Southampton Township wishes to publicly thank those who made the 14,000-tree planting at Furnace Run a success in spite of torrential rains.

#### Organizations and Individuals responsible for contributions and coordination

Eric Oliver - DEP - Mining & Reclamation Specialist - Coordinator

PA Environmental Council – Davitt Woodwell – Financial Contribution of site preparation and purchase of the pollinator seeds.

Kristen Hoke - the Chesapeake Bay Foundation – Coordinator and contributor of the trees

Susquehanna River Basin Commission – over 20 members that prepared 14,000 trees in buckets for the volunteers as well as helped plant.

Green Forests Work - Anna Branduzzi - Overseeing the planting. GFW also paid for the professionals to complete what wasn't completed Saturday.

Scott Eggerude – Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement – Overseeing planting activities

#### **Planting Volunteers**

Enterprise Rent a Car – 60 Volunteers

Walmart – donating buckets and a couple dozen volunteers

Shippensburg University Faculty and Students - about 40 volunteers

Mont Alto School of Forestry – about 20 volunteers

Friends of Michaux

Girl Scouts

Michael Munson Foundation – Volunteers from Pittsburgh

Lou Kauffman – Master Naturalist Volunteers

Tom Horvat -Volunteer Coordinator

#### Also Thank

Supervisors Brenize and Hall and Kirk Weaver for putting the trails and flags in, for logistical support, moving trees, buckets, dibble bars and parking cars.

Tall Timbers - Supervisor Cressler, Ron Madison and Jerry Blackford and Daryl Van Scyoc for supplying and preparing food for the volunteers.

West End Fire and Rescue - presence on Saturday

Intergovernmental Municipal Discount & Billing Procedures

Kathy Durf recently billed Letterkenny for tree trimming. It was a sizeable bill. Letterkenny also asked for help working bulky trash. She asked if there should discount from the fee schedule for municipalities.

MOTION: Supervisor Brenize moved to stay with quarterly reconciling and put a 25% discount for municipalities. Supervisor Cressler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Public Works Tool Box & Tools Request

The public works department asked for \$1,000 for tools and tool box.

MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to approve \$1,000 for tools and tool box. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

# SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT/BONDING

Briary Ridge Phase 2A – Bond Reduction Request

Martin & Martin received a request for a bond reduction for Briary Ridge Phase 2A. The amount is currently \$94,900.61. Martin & Martin recommended a reduction to \$22,500.

Maria Misner relayed that Mr. Naugle would like the amount to be brought inhouse for the Township to retain in an account for him.

MOTION: Supervisor Brenize moved to approve the bond reduction to the amount of \$22,500. Supervisor Cressler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Marlin & Marian Nolt

Maria asked that this be an amended agenda item.

# SD2023-009 Furnace Run Park - Land Development Plan

The plan was reviewed by the Planning Commission and recommended conditional approval based upon Tim Cormany's email dated April 17th. According to Martin & Martin review, #8. the additional storm water calculations show that pre-post 5 and 10-year storm rate requirements are met. The Module 2 worksheet provided show only a pre-post reduction with regard to the 2-year event. DEP has a "small site exception" criteria for this, but Southampton Township does not.

Supervisor Cressler stated that due to the small scale of the project in relation to the size of the property, there will be no change in water runoff at the property line. The Township has granted many of these waivers for similar situations in the past. This is consistent.

- MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to approve the modification of 31-906.D since there will be no change in water at property line. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
- MOTION: Supervisor Brenize moved to approve the Final Land Development plan for Furnace Run Park Welcome Center. Supervisor Cressler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

# SD2023-010 Big Dogs - Land Development Plan

This plan went through a conditional use hearing in November of 2022 and the following conditions were placed on it:

- 1. The Applicant shall reserve a suitable area along both street frontages (Thornwood and Orrstown) for future sidewalk installation at the current owner's expense upon direction of the Township to erect or install said sidewalk;
- 2. The project will be subject to a fee-in-lieu-of recreation fee at the time of land development approval. Said fee structure is subject to annual changes, but is currently set at \$1,000.00 per dwelling unit;
- 3. The Applicant shall submit a Highway Occupancy Permit to PennDOT requesting permission for a second method of ingress/egress onto Orrstown Road, SR533, and Applicant shall adhere to PennDOT's recommendation as to its location; and
- 4. The exit from the apartment complex onto Thornwood Road shall be right turn only.

Big Dogs is asking for a waiver of sidewalk requirements at this time.

MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to approve the Waiver of Sidewalk Requirement (31-904) since there are no sidewalks in that area currently; however, if they are ever required, Bid Dogs will be required to install sidewalks at their cost. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Big Dogs submitted a Highway Occupancy Permit to PennDOT for an exit onto Orrstown Road. PennDOT's response was that the entrance "should" come out onto a Township Road whenever possible, not a state road.

Supervisor Cressler felt that the entrance onto Orrstown Road is a safety issue for those wanting to turn onto Orrstown Road and that the word "should" was not definitive. He has reached out to the Township Traffic Engineer, Greg Creasy from Grove Miller to take a look at the safety criteria. The Township will petition PennDOT if Mr. Creasy's research warrants it. MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to table Big Dogs Final Land Development Plan upon further review of access with PennDOT by the Township. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

# AGENDA AMENDED ITEMS

Marlin & Marian Nolt - Cumberland County Subdivision

MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to amend the agenda to discuss a Cumberland County project, Marlin & Marian Nolt subdivision. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Maria explained that this is a Land Development Plan that was submitted to Southampton Township, Cumberland County. None of the proposed activity occurs in Franklin County, but a small portion of the property is in Southampton, Franklin. Southampton Township would not require a formal review. Would the supervisors like to waive the rights to review, or just sign off on the cover sheet?

MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to waive rights-to-review so long as the developer adheres to all requirements of the Southampton Township, Cumberland County planning process. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Solicitor Kelso to write the letter stating such.

# **REPORTS OF TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS AND AGENCIES**

# Solicitor

# Herwin Village Stub

Street Solicitor Kelso reported that one of the heirs of the stub street got back quickly and is ready to sign. She is also going to help getting siblings to email Solicitor Kelso. She is making progress. She wants to get all five of them and do a quit-claim deed.

# Changeable Message Signs Along SR533

MOTION: Sam moved to add amend the agenda to add Changeable Message Sign Discussion. Supervisor Brenize seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Maria Misner said Weaver's Tire, on the Orrstown Road, is interested in replacing their sign. They have indicated they may want a Changeable Message Sign (CMS). According to the ordinance a CMS is only allowed along Interstate Highways and State Highways. She contacted Marcus Leppard, Outdoor Advertising Manager of District 8, PennDOT, and they do not consider a SR with 3 digits to be a State Highway. She would like to confirm that the CMS sign for Weaver's along SR533 should be denied.

Solicitor Kelso verified that if PennDOT does not consider SR 533 to be a State Highway, nor any SR with 3 digits, then the Township does not either. A CMS should not be permitted along an SR533.

No action taken

# Planning/Zoning

No Report

# **Code Enforcement** No Report

# Secretary/Treasurer

No Report

# Supervisors

No Report

# **ACTION ON PAYING BILLS**

MOTION: Supervisor Brenize moved to pay the general fund in the amount of \$63,795.72. Supervisor Cressler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Cressler at 5:50p.m.

Respectfully Submitted Maria Misner Planning/Zoning/Recording Secretary