

April 3, 2023

The Strasburg Township Board of Supervisors held their regular meeting on Monday, April 3, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. at the Strasburg Township Municipal Building, 400 Bunker Hill Road. Present were Peggy Dearolf, C. Michael Weaver and Thomas Willig; Administrator Mark Deimler; Solicitor Josele Cleary, Esq..

Guests: Amos and John Fisher, Jason Logue, Julia Trout, Tony Todd, Rob Williams, Jim Thomas, Esq., Allison Fisher, Wilmer Smoker

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Public comment was invited. There was none.

The citation of recognition for Marvin Stoner was not presented due to the absence of Mr. Stoner. The Chair and Deimler will go to his home to present it personally.

On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to render a decision granting the conditional use for 404 Hartman Bridge Road, Fisher's Harness Shop.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve permission to use Township Roads and Fire Police assistance for a half-marathon foot race benefiting the Lancaster Farmland Trust on Saturday, September 30, 2023.

On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to approve Refton Fire Police assistance for a motorcycle ride benefiting suicide awareness on Saturday, June 17, 2023

Williams and Todd appeared to brief the Board on proposed capital purchases by the Refton Community Fire Company (RCFC). RCFC is looking into the purchase of a new or used tanker to replace an aging piece of equipment. They are also looking into a grant to make the fire company building an emergency shelter. The RCFC may need to come to the Township for some economic assistance with both projects to fill any funding gaps.

Attorney Jim Thomas and his client Allison Fisher of Magnolia Lane Properties appeared to have a discussion about a settlement agreement for the Zoning Hearing Board appeals the Township filed. After a lengthy discussion and a recess for an executive session, the Board and Cleary presented their proposed terms for settlement. On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the Solicitor to prepare an agreement incorporating the discussion points which will be signed by the Chairman once executed by Magnolia Lane Properties.

Smoker appeared to get the Board's support for his Zoning Hearing Board application scheduled for next Tuesday. He proposes to build another dwelling to the rear of his 10.6-acre property at 235 Hartman Bridge Road in the Gateway North zone. He operates a butcher shop at the property. The Board reviewed his application and asked many questions. They were comfortable supporting the application if Smoker agrees to

use the original dwelling solely for commercial purposes thereby not increasing residential density in the zone.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the minutes of March 3 and March 6, 2023 as submitted.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve bill listings for payment: Payroll and taxes in the amount of \$16,891.71; General Fund checks #26216-26255 in the amount of \$88,362.89; Sewer Fund checks #590-596 in the amount of \$7,700.02.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Treasurer's report as submitted.

Sealed bids for materials and equipment rental were opened:

Stone per ton delivered:

	2A	3A	8A	Rap
New Enterprise	\$17.70	\$20.95	\$29.20	\$25.30
Allan Myers	\$13.50	\$17.50	\$25.50	\$26.75

SuperPave per ton picked up:

	9.5mm
Allan Myers	\$83.50
New Enterprise	\$70.00

Equipment rental:

Long's Asphalt	\$113,480.00
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There were questions about the disparity of the asphalt bids and potential hidden costs of transport and waste. The Secretary was directed to discuss it with the Roadmaster prior to a final decision. On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to award to the lowest bidder after final approval by the Roadmaster.

On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously authorizing the Board to sign the ARPA Funding Agreement to signify completion of the Strasburg Playground Association grant project.

On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to ratify and affirm authorizing the Treasurer to sign the Auditor General's management representation letter and exit conference documents for the 2018-2022 Pension Plan Audit which took place on March 15, 2023.

On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to approve Strasburg Borough's request for Refton Community Fire Company Fire Police assistance at the Memorial Day Parade May 29, 2023.

The remaining Zoning Hearing Board applications were reviewed:

204 Hartman Bridge Road – special exception to erect a tent for temporary sale of produce, flowers and baked goods. The Board took no position

1736 Beaver Valley Pike – setback variance for a barn. The Board took no position.

2034 Beaver Valley Pike – special exception to operate a short-term rental. The Board strongly opposes this application as not in keeping with the intent of the ordinance.

The Zoning Officer reports: Sixteen permits issued with receipts in the amount of \$4,623.60

The Sewage Enforcement Officer reports: Two perc tests performed and one permit issued with receipts in the amount of \$1905.00

There being no further business before the Board, the Supervisors adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Judith G. Willig
Township Secretary