

December 4, 2017

The Strasburg Township Board of Supervisors held their regular meeting on Monday, December 4, 2017, at 7:30 p.m. at the Strasburg Township Municipal Building, 400 Bunker Hill Road. Present were Peggy Dearolf and Thomas Willig; Administrator Mark Deimler; Treasurer Connie Kauffman.

Guests: John Rintz, Benuel King, Elmer King, Steve Young, Bill Potter, Barry Haun, Joyce Nettke, Brent Landis, Fred Witmer, Barbara Frank- Rathbone, Daniel Miller, John Fisher, Ben Fisher, Tim Trostle, Amanda Schaedler.

Public comment was invited. There was none.

On a motion by Dearolf/Willig, the Board unanimously voted to adopt the minutes of November 6, 2017 as submitted.

On a motion by Dearolf/Willig, the Board unanimously voted to approve bill listings for payment: Payroll and taxes in the amount of \$10,809.61; General Fund checks #21701-21743 in the amount of \$49,367.55 ; Liquid Fuels checks #1778 in the amount of \$1,186.80; Sewer Fund checks #227-233 in the amount of \$3,795.98; Escrow Fund checks #1065-1067 in the amount of \$900.00.

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

Benuel and Elmer King, Strasburg Lawn Structures, appeared to discuss violations received for activity in the floodplain and demolition of a structure without a permit at 910 Strasburg Pike. The King's wanted to know what they can do in the floodplain. The Board's short answer was nothing. The Kings can petition the Township to rezone their recently acquired parcel from Rural Residential to Commercial/Industrial or go to the Zoning Hearing Board and ask for a variance. The Board recommended the Kings discuss settling the violations before the scheduled court date of December 6, 2017 with Deimler.

Young appeared to make a brief presentation on his ideas for 1350 Village Road, the old Eagle Gun Museum. Young has repurposed several historic buildings in Lancaster and East Petersburg into office/living spaces. He asked about the possibility of tapping into the sewer lines that run along Village Road as the commercial/residential use will exceed the 470 gallons per day capacity of the on-lot sandmound. Willig responded the Board will not make any comments or recommendations without Supervisor Weaver present and asked Young to return at a later date.

Proposed zoning ordinance amendments pertaining to kennels were discussed. Potter, the Planning Commission vice-chair, gave a short background about the Planning Commission's process in arriving at the proposed ordinance amendment. Deimler commented the current ordinance has no cap on the number of dogs while the proposed amendment has a sliding scale that caps them at 10 adult dogs. Witmer and Nettke complimented the Township on arriving at what appears to be a good compromise and asked about penalties for offenders and the possibility of revisiting the current need for two complainants. Rathbone-Frank had questions about actions taken against violators. Landis and Haun encouraged the 500 foot setback be retained and commented about noise. Rintz encouraged retaining the current 20 acre requirement. John Fisher, Ben Fisher and Miller commented on dogs for security and the distinctions between commercial and non-commercial kennels. The Board thanked those in attendance for their comments.

On a motion by Willig/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to approve the waiver of land development and adopt Resolution 2017-11 per the planning module for 970 May Post Office Road.

On a motion by Willig/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to approve the escrow reduction request of Daniel Lapp, 509 May Post Office Road in the amount of \$33,438. The remaining balance will be \$9,270.60.

On a motion by Willig/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to approve the request of Jesse Beiler, 233 Miller Road, to have a controlled burn of 2 acres on Twin Elm Road with the stipulation the Strasburg Fire Company is present.

On a motion by Dearolf/Willig, the Board voted unanimously to approve the proposal of Precise Buildings for repairs to various structures at the Township Park in the amount of \$7,200.00.

The Board had no position on ZHB 2017-18 application for the 170 Sides Mill Road special exception.

On a motion by Dearolf/Willig, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the proposed 2018 budget. It will be displayed in the Township building vestibule and on the Township website for public review. It will be formally adopted at a special meeting on December 26, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

On a motion by Dearolf/Willig, the Board voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 2017-12 amending the 2017 Sewer Fund budget.

The Board acknowledged the 180 extension of time granted for Hartman Bridge LLC plan approval. The new deadline will be June 30, 2018.

The Zoning Officer reports twelve permits issued with receipts in the amount of \$1,585.30.

The Sewage Enforcement Officer reports five permits issued, three perc tests and inspections performed with receipts in the amount of \$1,350.00

There being no further business before the Board, the Supervisors adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Judith G. Willig
Township Secretary