

June 3, 2019

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

Guests: Jason Shaner, Aaron and Annie Glick, Steven Stoltzfus, Ron Rinier, Abbie and Justin Welk, Todd Weiss, Jason Fantom

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

Public comment was invited. There was none.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board unanimously voted to adopt the minutes of May 6, 2019 as submitted.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board unanimously voted to approve bill listings for payment: Payroll and taxes in the amount of \$14,525.26; General Fund checks #22521-22580 in the amount of \$197,049.01; Escrow checks #1099-1111 in the amount of \$10,564.80; Sewer Fund checks #344-349 in the amount of \$2,768.98.

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

At approximately 7:35 p.m., conditional use hearings for CU 2019-02 Aaron and Annie Glick for 5804351000000 and CU 2019-03 Steven Stoltzfus 738 Deiter Road were opened. See decision and notes for details.

At approximately 8:30 p.m., the regular meeting resumed.

Jason Fantom appeared to request Township permission to connect to the Strasburg Borough Authority water and Strasburg Railroad sewer. The previous owner had paid the Railroad to install the lateral, but the final connection was not performed. The system is old and there are several large trees near the drainfield. The property is connected to the Borough water, but Fantom wishes to move the connection. The property is in the Urban Growth Area. No permit or formal approval is required from the Township, but the Borough and Railroad may want proof the Township was approached and agrees to the connections. On a motion by Dearolf/Willig, the Board voted unanimously to approve the request.

On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve releasing the remaining escrow for Rhoads at 170 Sides Mill Road.

On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve the non-building waiver for the Parke Ranck/Paradise Lane project.

Deimler briefed the Board about progress on the Broad Street dedication acceptance:

- A survey was completed to ascertain rights-of-way
- The area comes in just above the threshold for PADOT liquid fuel monies
- A right-of-way agreement must be drafted and accepted by Glen Lengacher
- A “No Parking” ordinance for the north section of Broad from the fire station to Main Street will enable enforcement to keep the section clear for ingress and egress of fire equipment
- The Township Solicitor will draft the right-of-way agreement and ordinance
- Deimler will approach Lengacher

Pertaining to the Zoning Hearing Board application ZHB 2019-12 for 249 Herr Road, the Board supports the application and wishes a condition there will be no demolition by neglect imposed. Supervisor Weaver will attend the hearing to voice the Board’s support.

Deimler briefed the Board on Creek View Lane sewerage:

- A visual inspection was conducted by camera
- The manholes are deteriorated; pipes are deformed, cracked and have holes
- Everything needs to be replaced
- There was no direct connection installed from the end of the line to the Strasburg Borough Authority’s pumping station
- The Authority is making some upgrades to the station and the Township can “piggyback”
- ELA sent an estimate of \$16,300 for engineering costs associated with the connection
- It will cost approximately \$45,000 to physically connect to the pumping station
- It will cost approximately \$300,000 for the remainder of the system replacement

Willig reported on cyber attacks at local businesses and other municipalities. After some discussion, the Secretary was directed to look into cyber insurance and cloud backup services. Weiss highly recommended the Tesorit cloud service.

Willig reported on a meeting he had with Ernie Ferretti owner of a property at the corner of Strasburg Pike and Prospect Road. The intersection has come up several times in the course of the proposed development on Prospect Road. Mr. Ferretti is open to allowing grading of a portion of his front yard as long as the stone wall is rebuilt. It was discovered the neighboring property to the north needs some grading, as well, to improve sight distance. Deimler and Willig will meet with Ferretti and the neighbor to see about moving forward.

Rinier reported chickens loose in the Refton area and wondered what can be done about them. They are coming onto his property, destroying flower beds and a rooster attacked him. Deimler stated the non-commercial keeping of livestock is not permitted in Village Residential. His office will send a letter to the residents in the next sewer billing.

Weiss commented the Township should be encouraged to adopt a property maintenance ordinance.

The Supervisors are planning a workshop/tutorial by the Township Solicitor to educate them on planning and zoning matters. It will be held at the Township Building on July 15th at 1:00 p.m. The Secretary was directed to invite the Planning Commission members.

The Zoning Officer reports sixteen permits issued with receipts in the amount of \$6,234.30

The Sewage Enforcement Officer reports two inspections and one perc test performed, two permits issued, one violation checked and one fine imposed with receipts in the amount of \$500.00.

There being no further business before the Board, the Supervisors adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Judith G. Willig
Township Secretary