

December 28, 2015

The Strasburg Township Board of Supervisors held their regular meeting on Monday, December 28, 2015, at 1:00 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: Donna Walker, Isaac Thomas, Jonathan and Ashley Kliewer.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board unanimously voted to adopt the minutes of 12/7/15 as submitted.

Public comment was invited. There was none.

The proposed 2016 budget was reviewed. Willig stated any money to be allocated for Park projects will require Board approval. Weaver noted the fee in lieu of public space money from the Hartman Bridge Village project will be a welcome influx for the Park maintenance. On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the 2016 budget as submitted.

The 2016 tax millage rate was discussed. Due to several large expenditures for bridge repair and replacement among others, the Township reserves are depleted and need to be bolstered. The benefit of annual small increases versus occasional large ones was discussed. Ashley Kliewer stated she can see both sides of the issue, but would rather see gradual increases. Willig and Weaver proposed setting a target reserve and stop increases once it is reached. On a motion by Willig/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 2015-11 increasing the tax rate from .00060 to .00070 mills.

On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 2015-12 appropriating funds for the 2016 budget.

On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 2015-13 reappointing Gary Winters to the Zoning Hearing Board.

On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve reducing Letter of Credit D006869 for 156 Sides Mill Road by \$18,714.00 retaining \$7,943.00.

Ashley Kliewer asked if modifications reducing the height of the water bars installed on their driveway at 156 Sides Mill Road could be made. Deimler responded it can be addressed in the spring of 2016.

On a motion by Willig/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to approve forwarding the proposed Township Subdivision and Land Development

Ordinance to the Lancaster County Planning Commission for their review and recommendations.

The proposed fee schedule for 2016 was reviewed with the following changes:

- On-lot management fees will be a one-time \$75.00 pumper registration fee and a one-time \$25.00 homeowner fee.
- Change pre-application meeting to “reimbursement of professional consultant fees”.

After discussion, the Board decided to keep the Planning Commission membership at seven (7).

The secretary was directed to add an executive session prior to the meeting on January 4, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss personnel matters.

At approximately 2:30 p.m., Willig left the meeting to go to work.

Isaac Thomas of Francis Hall Insurance appeared to present the 2016 property and liability insurance renewal. On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to continue coverage.

There being no further business before the Board, the Supervisors adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Judith G. Willig  
Township Secretary