

January 4, 2016

The Strasburg Township Board of Supervisors held their regular meeting on Monday, January 4, 2016, 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: John Rintz, Donna Walker.

Prior to the regular meeting, the Board held an executive session to discuss personnel issues. Administrator Deimler attended.

Prior to the regular meeting, the Board held their reorganization meeting.

On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Supervisors unanimously elected Thomas Willig as Chairman. On a motion by Dearolf/Willig, the Supervisors unanimously elected Michael Weaver as Vice-Chairman.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve appointments and procedures as shown on the attachment.

On a motion by Willig/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Christina Enders-Kruger to a full term on the Planning Commission and Supervisor Weaver as an interim member of the Planning Commission.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Chair sign the 2016 work authorization agreement with Solanco Engineering.

On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to approve wages as listed on the attachment with exception of the secretary and treasurer.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted to approve the secretary's wage as listed on the attachment. Willig abstained.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve the treasurer's wage as listed on the attachment.

On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to maintain the Treasurer's bond limit at \$1,000,000.00.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve depositors and advertisers as shown on the attachment.

On a motion by Dearolf/weaver, the Board voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 2016-1 setting fees for 2016.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 2016-2 appointing Maher Duessel as the certified public accounting firm to audit the Township accounts for 2016.

At approximately 7:45, the regular meeting was called to order.

Public comment was invited. There was none.

On a motion by Weaver/Willig, the Board unanimously voted to adopt the minutes of December 28, 2015 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 \$9,850.56; General Fund checks #20750-20784 in the amount of \$47,891.44; Escrow check #98 in the amount of \$2,000.00.

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

At approximately 8:00, a hearing was held for proposed Ordinance #96 establishing rates, charges and regulations for the use of sewer and water system service serving properties within the Urban Growth Area adjoining Strasburg Borough. Weaver stated the ordinance was the result of negotiations with the Borough which guaranteed Township residents will pay the same rate as Borough residents with the exception of additional maintenance or administrative fees ascertained as necessary by the Township at a later date.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to close the hearing, adopt the ordinance as submitted and authorize the Chair to sign.

Weaver and Deimler reported on a preconstruction meeting held for the Refton Sanitary Sewer System project. Construction will begin January 18, 2016. Deimler will be dropping off letters and stakes to mark the placement of the grinder pumps to affected residents in the service area this week. Weaver stressed to the construction companies the need to do all possible to reduce any friction caused by the project with the residents. Deimler recommended the Board authorize HRG to handle payment requests from the contractors rather than the Board reviewing each request to streamline the process.

On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Township's reimbursement request for \$240,097.67 from PENNVEST for costs incurred to date for the Refton sewer project. The Board commented on the Township's donation of land for the project and many other actions taken to reduce the cost to the affected residents which was a considerable cash outlay.

On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to authorize forwarding a proposed ordinance pertaining to the establishment of stand-alone floodplain regulations to the Department of Economic Development for review.

On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to authorize forwarding a proposed ordinance pertaining to amending the Township Zoning Ordinance to remove floodplain regulations and reflect the Township's planned adoption of its own subdivision and land development ordinance to the Township and Lancaster County Planning Commissions for review and recommendations.

The Christian King storm water management plan was tabled to the February 1, 2016 regular meeting.

After review of the 2016 Township insurance policy information, on a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to decline terrorism coverage and add umbrella coverage.

The Board had reviewed the application of Henry K. Stoltzfoos to the Zoning Hearing Board previously and decided to oppose the application.

Deimler reported on an issue at 1109 Penn Grant Road pertaining to a fence erected in the right-of-way by the owner, Gary Weaver. A letter was sent to the owner on December 10, 2015 advising him of the violation and requiring him to remove it by December 26, 2015 or additional enforcement action would be taken. The fence has not been removed. The Board stated the Township has done as much as it is willing to accommodate the owner and authorized Deimler to take whatever action deemed necessary to resolve the matter.

The secretary reported on findings pertaining to heating and diesel fuels prices and suppliers. On a motion by Dearolf/Willig, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the secretary to arrange for delivery of the fuels at the best price available.

Walker stated to the Board LNP Media is willing to run an article on volunteerism and community service as requested by Weaver.

The Zoning Officer reports eighteen (18) permits issued with receipts in the amount of \$3,014.30

The Sewage Enforcement Officer reports Five (5) inspections and five (5) probe tests performed with receipts in the amount of \$1,200.00

There being no further business before the Board, the Supervisors adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Judith G. Willig
Township Secretary