

ROSS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING
May 2, 2022

The Ross Township Supervisors Meeting was called to order on May 2, 2022 at 6:00PM. In attendance were Chairman James Zahoroiko, Vice Chairman David Shay and Supervisor Randy Detrick. Also present was Solicitor Timothy McManus. The meeting was held at the Township Municipal Building.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

A motion was made by Supervisor Detrick to approve the meeting minutes of the April 4, 2022 Supervisors meeting, seconded by Vice Chairman Shay and carried.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Shay to approve the current Treasurer's Report, seconded by Supervisor Detrick and carried.

PLANS:

Scott Slater/Spruce Road - Approval Request

Mr. Art Swallow of AASA Land Surveyors was present to represent the plan. The Board of Supervisor and Solicitor McManus reviewed the documents provided by Township Planning Commission Secretary Deb Brown. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Vice Chairman Shay to grant conditional approval based upon the recommendation of the Ross Township Planning Commission and compliance on all outstanding noted in the KCE review letter dated 04/13/2022. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Detrick and carried.

Beltzville Enterprises, LLC - Time Extension Request

No one was present to represent this plan. The Time Extension Request document was reviewed by the Board of Supervisors and Solicitor McManus. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Shay to grant the time extension request until August 1, 2022, seconded by Supervisor Detrick and carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Township Fee Schedule-Resolution 197

Chairman Zahoroiko discussed the updates to the current approved Township fee schedule. Additional Township fees are being reviewed. Resolution #197 will prepared after the 2022 fee schedule is finalized. The topic will recommence at a future Board of Supervisors meeting.

Township Property - Resident Request to Cut/Remove Hay

The Board of Supervisors discussed an email recently submitted by resident Mr. Rick Meixsell regarding the removal of hay from the Township property. Mr. Meixsell and family have been cutting the hay and maintaining the property since May 2019. After a brief discussion, the motion was made by Supervisor Detrick to approve the continuation of the maintenance completed by Mr. Meixsell and family, also requested a letter from Mr. Meixsell regarding the removal of hay for personal use and not being used for economic gain. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Shay and carried.

2022 Election Notification - Ross Township Congressional Districts

The Board of Supervisors discussed the information received from Monroe County Voter Registration regarding the election and the Ross Township districts. Monroe County Voter Registration designated separate locations for the election for Ross Township residents. The Board of Supervisors would have preferred both Ross 1 and Ross 2 districts held in the same polling location by splitting the room at the Township Municipal Building for the election. The Monroe County Voter Registration office mailed letters to Ross Township residents indicating the change in polling location. The pole location for Ross 1 residents is Mount Eaton Church. Ross 2 residents remain at the Ross Township Municipal Building.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Residents of Collins Avenue, discussed an ongoing problem concerning neighbors which had been addressed during the February, March, and April of 2022 Supervisors meetings. Vice Chairman Shay briefly discussed the status as stated on the Zoning Report provided to the Board of Supervisors on May 2, 2022. Vice Chairman Shay also discussed the Township burning ordinance and stated he will follow up with the Zoning Department tomorrow regarding the current violation status, in addition to the new information provided during the meeting. Vice Chairman Shay also encouraged the residents to contact the state police concerning the actions/activity occurring.

PA State Representative Jack Rader, introduced himself to the Board of Supervisors and audience. Also noted was PA State Representative Jack Rader's district office, located at Route 115 in Effort, PA.

NEW BUSINESS:

Township Park Events - Summer Concerts

Chairman Zahoroiko discussed the possibility of arranging monthly concerts at the Ross Township Park. The Board of Supervisors agreed concerts would take place on Sunday evenings starting in June and the budget for the monthly events would be \$400. The first concert will be held on June 26, 2022 from 6pm-9pm. The concerts dates for July and August will be decided at the next Supervisors meeting. Chairman Zahoroiko will follow up with a band and food trucks for June and July. Vice Chairman Shay will follow up with a band for August. The topic will resume during the next Board of Supervisors meeting. A motion was made by Chairman Zahoroiko to hold Sunday evening concerts in the park once a month during June, July and August, seconded by Vice Chairman Shay and carried.

Township Park Committee

The Board of Supervisors discussed creating a new Ross Township Park committee. The prior committee representative moved out of the Township. The committee's objective would be promotion of the park in addition to managing Township activities. The advertising for volunteers to serve on the committee will be placed on the Township website in addition to the local newspaper. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Shay to advertise the committee opportunities on the Township website and in the paper, seconded by Supervisor Detrick and carried.

New Business (continued):

Township Website

Supervisor Detrick discussed the current outdated Township website and the need for upgrades. The new website would include user friendly links for additional information regarding the Township, County, etc. Supervisor Detrick recommended Matthew D'Elia, who has prior experience developing websites to design a new Township website. After a brief discussion by the Board of Supervisors, a motion was made by Vice Chairman Shay to approve Matthew D'Elia to develop the Township website, project price \$500 and annual host fee not to exceed \$50. The motion was seconded by Chairman Zahoroiko and carried. Supervisor Detrick abstained.

ROAD FOREMAN REPORT:

The report completed by Road Foreman Ethan Brewer was reviewed by the Board of Supervisors. The results from the Township Spring Clean-Up held April 22nd and April 23rd were briefly discussed by Road Foreman Ethan Brewer. New brakes needed for the backhoe was also discussed briefly.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The list of Correspondence items were reviewed by the Board of Supervisors. Nothing to address, no comments were made.

RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES:

After a review of the bills to be paid, a motion to pay all current bills was made by Vice Chairman Shay, seconded by Supervisor Detrick and carried.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:35PM was made by Chairman Zahoroiko, seconded by Supervisor Detrick and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Romano
Secretary/Treasurer