Londonderry Township Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2014 7:00pm

The Londonderry Township Board of Supervisors held their regularly scheduled meeting and a Public Hearing on Monday, April 7, 2014 at the Municipal Building, 783 South Geyers Church Road, Middletown, Pennsylvania, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Anna Dale, Chairman

Mike Geyer, Vice-Chairman Ronald Kopp, Member Bart Shellenhamer, Member

Steve Letavic, Township Manager Jeff Burkhart, Codes/Zoning Officer Beth Graham, Office Manager Myron Stoner, Finance Director Mike Johnson, Golf Course Manager

Andrew Kenworthy, Engineer

Mark Stewart, Solicitor

Absent: Doug Gellatly, Member; Wade Burrell, Public Works Director

Salute the Flag

PUBLIC HEARING – Ordinance 2014-1 Ag Zoning

Mrs. Dale opened the floor for questions and suggestions from the residents.

Tom Thorpe, 4329 Highland Road, asked that the supervisors maintain as much of the rural nature as possible, no Wal-Marts.

Kathy Laverty, 1826 River Road, has a small hobby farm, can't make a living growing crops on such small acreage, but would like to know that one day could do something creative to make a living, but keep it rural.

Elmer Stoe, 847 Roundtop Road, has a small livestock farm and produce stand at the end of my lane and would like to keep it that way.

Gerald Gruber, 4371 Kennedy Lane, can hear the music at night from The Vineyards of Hershey. Not against the winery, but the other things going on are not ag related. If the true intention is to preserve agriculture then the other things go against this.

Dan Angelo, 2059 Reservoir Road, situations should be addressed on an individual basis, not as a whole.

Robert Shubert, 303 Cedar Street, each situation should be addressed on an individual basis, keep it small.

Susan Kauffman, 1941 Miller Road, agrees with all of the others who have spoken, worried about traffic, would like ag land preserved.

Robert Mulhollem, 149 Colebrook Road, keep the countryside rural.

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Kendra Nissley, 1306 Pecks Road, 10th generation Londonderry Township farm family, likes the nuisance aspect of the ordinance, in the ordinance Pg. 17 – P, too restrictive. Roadside stands need to be year round. If each my children would like to have a small business (selling quilts, fixing tractors, etc.), I'd like to see them be able to do that. Please help us to help our future generations in farming. (Submitted her research on paper to the board)

Don Shope, 4654 Beagle Road, owns a farm and is also a farmer, agrees with both sides and would like to see it less restrictive, but not too much.

Mel Nissley, 1610 Pecks Road, appreciative of the pro-activeness of the board. Has preserved his farm with Lancaster Ag Land Trust. Be careful of what we allow in.

Linda Rambler, 1210 Roundtop Road, protect township resources, forestry needs to be part of this. The document is a lot of trouble and unable to be enforced. Shouldn't be commercial at all. We need a Farmers Market.

Mrs. Dale thanked the residents for their input and closed the Public Hearing at 7:45pm.

REGULAR MEETING

Citizens Input - None

Approval of Work Session Minutes – March 18, 2014

Mr. Geyer motioned to approve the March 18, 2014 minutes as presented, Mr. Kopp seconded. Motion approved.

Approval of Special Meeting Minutes - March 24, 2014

Mrs. Dale informed the public that Mr. Gellately had submitted his resignation and a Special Meeting was properly advertised and held to accept his resignation.

Mr. Shellenhamer motioned to approve the March 24, 2014 minutes as presented, Mr. Kopp seconded. Motion approved.

Mrs. Dale announced that with this vacancy the board will accept letters of interest that must include the residents address, relevant experience, if you intend to run in the next election (2015) and why you would like to be on the board. Interviews of selected candidates will be held on April 23rd at a public meeting and the new supervisor will be announced at the May 5, 2014 Board of Supervisors regular meeting.

Manager's Report – Steve Letavic Ordinance 2014-2 DCIB Loan Acceptance

Mr. Shellenhamer motioned to approve the ordinance, Mr. Kopp seconded. Motion approved.

MS4 Permit Program

Chad Gladfelter, HRG, explained the requirements handed down by DEP and how we will move forward to meet the requirements specifically of the Chesapeake Bay Pollution Reduction Program. These requirements include public outreach and education. There are steep fines for non-compliance of these unfunded mandates.

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Mr. Geyer motioned to approve the submission of the MS4 application, Mr. Shellenhamer seconded. Motion approved.

PA American Water Tree Grant

Mr. Letavic informed the board that the township has applied for another grant and is hoping to hear within a month on who was awarded the grant.

Rain Garden & Native Meadow Workshop

There will be a workshop on May 17th that is free to the public.

Electric in Sunset Park

Mr. Risteff has been working with MetEd to bring electric to Sunset Park so that we won't have to use generators for the Stars & Stripes Salute and future events we may hold in the park.

Department Reports

Treasurer's Report – Myron Stoner

Mr. Stoner requested approval of payment for the following expenditures:

General Fund	\$43,245.06
Golf Course Fund	\$22,535.67
HMPG	\$836.70
Liquid Fuels	\$16,136.05
Escrow	\$4,770.65

Fire Company \$0 ICC \$0

Mr. Shellenhamer motioned to approve payment of the bills, Mr. Geyer seconded. Motion approved.

Gaming Grant 2013-18 Reimbursement Request \$2,954.50 & Gaming Grant 2012-19 Reimbursement Request \$34,713.76

Mr. Kopp motioned to approve the reimbursement request of 2013-18 & 2012-19, Mr. Geyer seconded. Motion approved.

ACT 205 – Appointment of Steve Letavic as Chief Administrative Officer

Mr. Shellenhamer motioned to appoint Steve Letavic as Chief Administrative Officer of ACT 205, Mr. Kopp seconded. Motion approved.

Code/Zoning Report – Jeff Burkhart

Mr. Burkhart submitted a quarterly Zoning Report to the Supervisors.

Municipal Office – Beth Graham

Mrs. Graham reported on the status of the township website, upcoming events and general office updates.

Public Works - Steve Letavic

Matt Naples submitted a report informing the board of the work they did in March and the work expected to get completed in April.

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Golf Course Manager – Mike Johnson

Mr. Johnson reported on marketing of the golf course, outings and clubhouse rentals to date and what is booked for April. He also presented a report on the care and maintenance of the actual golf course.

Engineer's Report – Andrew Kenworthy **Vine Street Water Line Installation**

The plant species issue has been resolved and the E&S approval has been received and is under review.

Solicitor's Report – Mark Stewart

No report.

EMA

No Report

New Business

None

Old Business

Mr. Shellenhamer questioned about the dumpsite going on at the abandoned Rte. 230 Diner. Mr. Burkhart stated that he and Mr. Letavic are going to look at it tomorrow.

Mr. Shellenhamer motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:47pm, Mr. Geyer seconded. Motion approved.

The board went into Executive Session following the close of the regular meeting.