

The Straban Township Board of Supervisors met this date, as publicly advertised, at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Straban Township Municipal Building, 1745 Granite Station Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325 with Board Chair Tony Sanders presiding. Others in attendance were: Vice-Chair Fred Kammerer; Supervisor Sharon Hamm; Office Manager/Secretary-Treasurer Robin Crushong; Zoning Enforcement Officer David Clapsaddle; Solicitor Sam Wiser and Township Engineer William Hill.

Others in attendance were: Lawrence & Sandra Martin; Aaron J. Spangler; Bob Spangler; Tim Spangler; Donna Herfel; Paul Smith; Gerald Black; Susan Munoz; Skip Strayer; Peter Martin; Paul Kriger; Tom Eyler; and Andrea Grabenstein, *Gettysburg Times*.

Board Chair Tony Sanders led everyone with the Pledge to the Flag.

- Mr. Sanders informed the residents present of the next scheduled meetings: Board of Supervisors meeting on December 2, 2019; Planning Commission meeting on November 20, 2019; Recreation Board meeting on November 18, 2019. There was an executive session concerning possible litigation and a workshop with Adams Solar concerning decommissioning agreement prior to tonight's meeting.

Public Comment:

Skip Strayer, 1090 Hoffman Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325 – Complimented the Road Crew for a job well done on mowing right of ways for site distances. Great job.

Darlene Weaver, 1509 Hanover Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325 – Requested that a "Hidden Driveway" be installed on the West side of Hanover Road as you go from Hoffman Road towards Route 15. It is very dangerous to exit her driveway onto Hanover Road. Mr. Sanders informed her that Hanover Road is a State Road and what the township would do is send a letter to PennDOT expressing a need for a "Hidden Driveway" sign. PennDOT will most likely require a traffic study to make sure it is warranted. This is an expense that Ms. Weaver would need to incur. It was also suggested that Commander Nickey be contacted and ask if the State Police could target this section and do speed control. Ms. Weaver offered her driveway for use by the State Police. Ms. Weaver also stated that a similar sign is located on Benner Hill however, it has been knocked down and needs to be fixed. The Board of Supervisors directed Ms. Crushong to contact Commander Nickey of the State Police and also to send a letter to PennDOT requesting the Hidden Driveway sign and to fix the sign on Benner Hill.

Minutes:

Ms. Hamm moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer, to approve the October 7, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Bills:

Mr. Kammerer moved, seconded by Ms. Hamm, to approve the October 17, 2019 and October 31, 2019 bills for payment. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports:

Mr. Clapsaddle reviewed his report of permits that have been issued; District 2 on-site septic pumping progress; code enforcement issues; and land development plan reviews.

Paul Kriger – York Adams Tax Bureau Representative – The Bureau had 2,886 legal actions; 486 criminal actions; collected \$548,834 in 2018. The collection fee was decreased to 1.85% and there was still excess of income over expenses in the amount of \$930,444.00. The 2020 Budget is a \$255 Million Budget.

Correspondence:

Ms. Crushong announced the following:

- Received a letter dated October 29, 2019 from Darlene Weaver at 1509 Hanover Road requesting a hidden driveway sign be installed on Hanover Road
- Minutes of the Gettysburg Municipal Authority Board of Directors meeting held on September 16, 2019. These Minutes indicate discussion on Amblebrook Development/York Water and a sewer agreement between GMA and Frederick S. Oberholtzer and Audrey C. Hess regarding a constructed sewer line at 209 Hunterstown Road
- Minutes of the White Run Regional Municipal Authority Board meeting held on September 18, 2019
- RabbitTransit Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Annual Report

Appearance:

Susan Munoz – 1020 Hunterstown-Hampton Road

Ms. Munoz again addressed concerns she has with the proposed 700 acre solar facility in Straban Township. Her additional concern was that land tax is the same for her property as it is for the solar farms.

Old/New Business:

1. **Twin Oaks Project** – Mr. Hill indicated that there is a final payment invoice for the Johnson Drive work in the amount of \$1,470.00. This project has been completed. There is a Change Order No. 1 for the Twin Oaks sewer project in the amount of \$25,536.50 for the final adjustment of sidewalk restoration and pavement restoration quantities as well as for the installation of stone around one inlet and connection of multiple subsurface drains into the new inlet boxes. Payment Application #7 is basically final payment with a \$2,500.00 retainage to be held over until spring for any final seeding/restoration. The payment request is for \$51,982.42. The Contract amount was \$234,570.00 and was increased by the change order in the amount of \$25,536.50 which brings the total amount of the project to \$260,106.50. **Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer to approve Change Order Request #1 in the amount of \$25,536.50 for the sewer project. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer to authorize payment to G.B. Groft, Inc. for Application No. 7 in the amount of \$51,982.42 for the sewer project. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Ms. Hamm to authorize payment to G.B. Groft, Inc. for final payment on Johnson Drive curb in the amount of \$1,470.00. Motion carried unanimously.

2. **Appointment to the Recreation Board** – A letter dated October 16, 2019 was received from Mike Flaherty indicating his desire to volunteer for the Straban Township Recreation Board. **Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer to appoint Mike Flaherty as a member to the Recreation Board with a term to expire on December 31, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.**

3. **Ordinance Adoption** – Ms. Hamm moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer to adopt **Ordinance No. 2019-03 authorizing the township to join the Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust ("PLIGIT"). Motion carried unanimously.**

4. **Request for letter to PennDOT for closing passing zone on Old Harrisburg Road** – The Plank's Field Homeowners Association located at Double Play Drive and Old Harrisburg Road has requested that the township prepare a letter to PennDOT requesting the short passing zone be closed and the related signs in either direction be removed. **Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer to approve a letter to PennDOT requesting PennDOT to evaluate the necessity of this passing area and consider removing it if justified. Motion carried unanimously.**

5. **Financial Security Release Request for Agricultural Commodities Inc.** – Mr. Hill indicated that based on site inspection and follow-up correspondence showing that all items

have been installed in accordance with the Plans, his office recommends that the township consider approving a full release in the financial security in the amount of \$4,000.00. **Mr. Kammerer moved, seconded by Ms. Hamm to approve the full release in the amount of \$4,000.00 for the Agricultural Commodities, Inc. project. Motion carried unanimously.**

6. Financial Security Reduction Request for Dunkin Donuts – Mr. Hill indicated that based on site inspections, his office finds that a significant portion of the site improvements have been installed in accordance with the plan drawings. The items remaining to be completed are site work; site improvements; stormwater management; landscaping and erosion control. Mr. Hill's office recommends that the Township consider a reduction in the amount of \$100,821.90 for the Dunkin Donuts project. The current bond reduction total (\$100,821.90) adjusts the originally required financial security for this project from \$157,499.60 to \$56,674.70. **Ms. Hamm moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer to approve the reduction in the amount of \$100,821.90 for the Dunkin Donuts project to bring the current financial security to \$56,674.70. Motion carried unanimously.**

7. 2020 Budget – **Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Ms. Hamm to authorize the advertisement of the 2020 Budget for public inspection. Motion carried unanimously.**

8. Response from PennDOT on Hunterstown-Hampton Road signage – Mr. Sanders indicated that a letter dated October 17, 2019 was received from PennDOT in response to the Township's letter dated October 10, 2019 asking for the township to provide specific location(s) of the school bus stop(s). Once PennDOT receives this information, they will proceed with the evaluation. PennDOT also indicated that for the Hidden Driveway warning signs, a Traffic Safety Study would need to be done to determine the need for hidden driveway signs in the vicinity of the driveway. **Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer to authorize a letter be sent to PennDOT indicating the specific location of the school bus stop sign requested. No further effort will be made on the Hidden Driveway warning sign since a traffic study will be needed and the resident does not want to incur the cost. Motion carried unanimously.**

Land Use Reviews:

TKC CCXXX (Gettysburg Shopping Center) – Preliminary Land Development Plan (1530 York Road) - Must act by 11/15/19

Ms. Hamm moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer to approve the time extension request to January 16, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

Smiths Disposal Facility – Final Land Development Plan (660 Beaver Run Road) - Must act by 11/12/19

Ms. Hamm moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer to approve the time extension request to December 12, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment:

Tom Eyler – Heidlersburg Fire Department - Asked the residents to be safe this winter. Since the clocks changed this past weekend, he encouraged everyone to also change the batteries in their fire alarms.

Questions from the Press:

None.

Adjournment:

With no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Hamm moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. this date.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin K. Crushong
Office Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

The next regularly scheduled meeting for the Board of Supervisors of Straban Township will be held on Monday, December 2, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.