

WEST NOTTINGHAM TOWNSHIP
Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 14, 2020

NOTE: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the order of Governor Wolf to avoid large gatherings, arrangements were made to hold the meeting online. Information to join the online meeting was posted on the outdoor bulletin board at the municipal building and via fliers on the office door; the invitation was also available on the website and Facebook page.

Chair Tiffany Bell called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. A moment of silence was observed.

The following were in attendance: Tiffany Bell, William Winand, Candace Miller, Don Armstrong, John Reynolds, Jr., David Ross, Charice Russell, Robert Russell, Matthew Bailey, and an unknown caller.

AGENDA COMMENTS

Mr. Reynolds announced that the township Emergency Operations Plan was due for re-promulgation. The Peach Bottom exercise has been cancelled and has not been rescheduled.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee reports are available upon request.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Minutes from the March 24, 2020 Supervisors Meeting: Mrs. Bell moved to approve the minutes from the March 24, 2020 supervisors meeting. Mr. Winand seconded the motion. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

An executive session was held on April 9 to look at a commercial building.

OLD BUSINESS

Jonas & Annie Stoltzfus Agricultural Security Area (ASA) Submission: Mrs. Miller reported that no modifications were received during the 15-day modification period. Mr. Winand moved to send the Stoltzfus ASA to the Township ASA Committee, Township Planning Commission, and Chester County Planning Commission for review. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dumpster Day Rescheduled: There was discussion about rescheduling Dumpster Day due to Governor Wolf's stay at home order. Mrs. Miller moved to reschedule Dumpster Day for May 8-9, 2020. Mr. Winand seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Speed Sign Information: Mrs. Miller shared information from Chief McFadden on two different types of speed signs; the first is a battery-operated unit, and the second is a solar-powered unit. She suggested waiting until the fall before considering a purchase. Mr. Winand said he has not seen a significant difference in the speed of the cars traveling south. He also said he would follow-up with Chief McFadden and ask him to move the speed sign to alert motorists to the change in the speed limit.

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NEW BUSINESS

Uncollectable Real Estate Property Tax Liens: Mrs. Bell moved to remove the tax liens on the following tax parcels and to authorize Candace Miller to sign the form from Chester County on behalf of the Township: \$166.24 for tax parcel 68-2-0.650-T owned by Sandra Bates; \$31.86 for tax parcel 68-2-6.300-T owned by Donald Kibly; \$226.53 for tax parcel 68-2-9.900-T owned by Lillian Murphy; \$30.27 for tax parcel 68-2-25.022-T owned by Kyle May; and \$2.62 for tax parcel 68-6-0.050-T owned by Timothy Speakman. Mr. Winand seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Stormwater Best Management Practices Operation, Maintenance, and Inspection Plan and Agreement for James and Joan Dambrowski: Mrs. Miller moved to enter into the Stormwater Best Management Practices Operation, Maintenance, and Inspection Plan and Agreement for James and Joan Dambrowski of 331 Lees Bridge Road. Mr. Winand seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Email from Lt. Palmer: Mrs. Miller said she received an email from Pennsylvania State Police Lt. Palmer asking if there were any concerns that needed to be brought to her attention. There were none mentioned.

Recycling Coordinator: Mrs. Bell moved to appoint Anita Bower as the Recycling Coordinator. Mr. Winand seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Route 1 Restoration Project: There was some discussion about the Route 1 restoration project. Mr. Winand wanted to know if the ramps would be redone. Mrs. Bell thought it would include the ramps; she said PennDOT would come to the township toward the end of the year to officially discuss the project and get input. She said that when she met with Representative Lawrence and PennDOT officials, the Route 1/East Ridge Road/West Ridge Road interchange was very concerning. She asked if anyone had specific requests for her to pass along. Mr. Winand said the traffic going south on Route 272 gets bad in the summer months, sometimes backing up to the bridge. He also said the markings on the off-ramp need to be considered.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Bank Statements: Mrs. Bell moved to accept the bank statements for the period ending March 31, 2020 and give them to the Secretary/Treasurer for reconciliation. Mr. Winand seconded the motion. Motion carried.

General Fund Bills List: Mr. Winand moved to approve the General Fund bills list for the period March 25 to April 14, 2020 subject to audit. Mrs. Bell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Reynolds said he reached out to Chief McFadden about needed supplies. He urged the Supervisors to take the Cost Estimation Survey sent out by the County.

Mrs. Bell asked Mr. Reynolds to give an update on the COVID-19 situation. Mr. Reynolds said the County is sending out daily Situation Reports to municipalities. The County is also working with regional groups and has been successful in getting Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to groups and

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facilities who need it. They continue to monitor testing efforts and antibody testing. There is talk of using the POD to perform antibody testing on emergency personnel.

Mr. Ross thanked Mrs. Miller for working with his students on a project to help with the Township's Pump and Haul Program. They provided a revised informational insert for the tax bills and some suggestions for the website. Another group is looking at the zone designations and identifying properties that might be farmland or have no dwelling or septic system. Mrs. Miller thanked Mr. Ross and his students for their hard work.

Mr. Bailey commended the Supervisors for their work as local leaders and their involvement in the community. He said he was a frequent visitor to Nottingham Park and the Serpentine Barrens Preserve. He is concerned about the forced sale of Chester Water Authority (CWA) to Aqua and hopes municipalities step up to support CWA.

Mrs. Miller announced that the next meeting would be May 12, 2020. Online meeting information would be available on the website, as well as posted on the municipal building.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Bell moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. Mr. Winand seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Candace Miller
Secretary/Treasurer