

REGULAR MEETING
May 20, 2019

The regular meeting of the Reading Township Board of Supervisors was held at the Township Building and called to order at 6:04 pm by Kevin Holtzinger, Chairman. Marcia Weaver, Vice-Chairperson and Gary Sauble, Supervisor were present with Chairman Holtzinger presiding over the meeting.

Others in attendance included Victor Neubaum, Solicitor, Malone & Neubaum; Virginia Thornton, Engineer, Gannett Fleming; Gary Bullock, Emergency Management Coordinator; Jason Grim, Kim Dissinger, Public Works Department; Bill Ceravola, Officer in Charge; Gerald Shank, Planning Commission; Mike Thomas, Dustin Avery, Greg Heefner, Northeast Adams Fire & EMS; Jason Phillips, Emmert Hartzell, Hampton Fire Company; Pauline Brodbeck, Sue Myers, Louanne & Jeff Megonnell, and Evelyn Howe.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Holtzinger.

Minutes of April 15th, 2019 Regular Meeting were approved on a motion by Ms. Weaver, second by Mr. Sauble; motion carried unanimously.

Announcements

April 24th Chairman Holtzinger and Ms. Weaver attended a meeting with Wilbur Slouthour, Land and Sea Services concerning House Bill 349.

April 25th Chairman Holtzinger and Ms. Weaver met with Kim Dissinger and Jason Grim on Old Log House Road regarding road project.

April 29th Ms. Weaver attended the ACTCC and YATB meetings.

May 6th Ms. Weaver attended a Council of Governments Committee meeting regarding cable franchise negotiations at Liberty Township.

May 11th Chairman Holtzinger and Ms. Weaver met in Executive Session to review Hampton Fire Company Lease.

May 16th Ms. Weaver and Mr. Sauble met with the Planning Commission to review zoning districts.

Public Comments

Chairman Holtzinger thanked the residents and Township employees for the phone calls and Sympathy cards on the passing of his mother.

Jeff Megonnell, 47 Stoney Point Road, commented on his new neighbors who are parking on the sidewalks and facing the wrong direction. Mr. Megonnell has spoken to them, but they continue to park on the sidewalk. He questioned the Board as to what his next step

should be. Officer Ceravola stated he should call Adams County Control when this is occurring, and they will dispatch the officer on duty.

Engineer's Report

Ms. Thornton submitted a proposal from Hanover Land Services Inc., to provide Surveying Cost to vacate a portion of Big Rock Road and all of Bakers School Road. The proposal is not to exceed a total of \$12,250.00. Mr. Sauble made a motion to table moving forward until the property owners can be contacted, second by Ms. Weaver; motion carried unanimously. Further discussion will take place at the next Board of Supervisors meeting on June 17th.

Miscellaneous

Requests for Non-Emergency Use of Fire Police

A request submitted by Gary Bullock for the Hampton Fire Police to serve May 24th during the annual Memorial Day parade was approved on a motion by Ms. Weaver and second by Mr. Sauble; motion carried unanimously.

Comcast Franchise Agreement

Ms. Weaver stated she has been working with the Council of Governments Committee regarding negotiating the cable franchise agreement. Ms. Weaver stated the Council received two estimates from law firms to negotiate the agreement. Cowen Law Group quoted \$7920.00 and Salzmman Hughes quote was not to exceed \$6,000.00. There are currently four townships that will be sharing the attorney fees, possibly six. There is also a PEG fee, Public Education Governmental, which the township will have Comcast bill each subscriber an extra ten to thirty-five cents on their bill each month then in turn Comcast will send to Community Media South Central PA Adams County television. Ms. Weaver will negotiate the following:

1. Have Comcast charge each subscriber a ten cents PEG fee.
2. Free internet service for the Township and Fire Companies.
3. Provide local Comcast office.
4. Negotiate contract term.
5. Expand into other territories of the Township.

Mr. Sauble made a motion to approve hiring Salzmman Hughes to negotiate the franchise agreement with Comcast, second by Chairman Holtzinger; motion carried unanimously.

2020 Adams County Hazard Mitigation Plan

The agreement to participate in the planning process of the 2020 Adams County Hazard Mitigation Plan was approved on a motion by Ms. Weaver and second by Mr. Sauble; motion carried unanimously.

Municipal Land Use Letter-Intersection SR 0094/SR 0234

Attorney Neubaum advised the Board to refer the Municipal Land Use Letter back to the Planning Commission.

**Mileage approval for Chairman Holtzinger
And Ms. Weaver**

Mileage to travel to various meetings for Chairman Holtzinger and Ms. Weaver was approved on a motion by Mr. Sauble, second by Chairman Holzinger; motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE HEARING

Ordinance 2019-02

An Ordinance amending §10-102.2 of the Reading Township Code of Ordinances regarding vegetative growth being a nuisance under certain conditions. Chairman Holtzinger opened the public hearing on Ordinance 2019-02. There being no public comments, Chairman Holtzinger closed the public hearing. Ordinance 2019-02 was adopted on a motion by Mr. Sauble and second by Ms. Weaver; motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2019-15

Fixing Compensation for Members of the Township Zoning Hearing Board

Resolution #2019-15 was adopted on a motion by Mr. Sauble, second by Ms. Weaver; motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2019-16

Fixing Compensation for members of the Township Planning Commission

Resolution #2019-16 was adopted on a motion by Mr. Sauble, second by Ms. Weaver; motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2019-17

Randall Inskip DEP Plan Revision

Resolution #2019-17 was adopted on a motion by Mr. Sauble, second by Ms. Weaver; motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report for the month of April was approved pending audit on a motion by Ms. Weaver, second by Mr. Sauble; motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

The Board acknowledged receiving reports from the Police, Public Works, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer and Building Inspector, Emergency Management, Northeast Adams Fire & EMS and Hampton for the month of April.

Police Report

Officer in Charge, Bill Ceravola supplied the Board with a detailed report of the Officer's time for the month of April. Officer Ceravola stated himself and Officer Morehead had driven 2049 miles, 266 hours worked, 5 hours overtime 54 hours vacation used. The Officers were in Lake Meade 26 times. There were 145 calls, 32 traffic stops, 22 traffic violations and 7 warnings. Officer Ceravola requested approval from the Board to sell their used tasers to the Constables. They will pay \$250.00 each and they have two. Ms. Weaver made a motion to approve the sale of the used tasers to the Constables for \$250.00 each, second by Mr. Sauble motion carried unanimously. Ms. Weaver stated at last month's Board of Supervisors meeting there was a discussion on some roads the Police cannot enforce speed because there is no Ordinance establishing a speed limit. Office Morehead stated it also applies to stop signs. Ms. Weaver questioned Officer Ceravola if himself and Public Works were able to provide a list of roads which would require an Ordinance. Mr. Dissinger stated they have not had the time to do the research. Chairman Holtzinger also questioned the Public Works Department if PennDOT had notified them yet concerning the flashing warning lights at Peepytown Road and East Berlin that are supposed to be installed. Ms. Beard will contact PennDOT.

Mr. Sauble made a motion to accept the administrative reports as submitted, second by Ms. Weaver; motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jeff Megonnell commented on Officer Ceravola's Police report. Mr. Megonnell stated the officers drove 2049 miles and that would be from here to Florida and back. The miles driven resulted in 22 citations so in the 266 hours worked that is one citation every twelve hours. Mr. Megonnell stated he knows there is no quota, but he hopes it is better than that. Dustin Avery stated the Police spend their time doing more than just writing traffic citations. Mr. Avery also asked if there were any updates on the Hampton Circle Project. Public Works stated the work has resumed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters, on a motion by Mr. Sauble, seconded by Ms. Weaver; motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Beard
Secretary/Treasurer