

REGULAR MEETING
January 17, 2022

The regular meeting of the Reading Township Board of Supervisors was held at the Township Building and called to order at 6:07 pm by Kevin Holtzinger, Chairman. Vice Chairman Wes Thomason and Jason Phillips were present with Chairman Holtzinger presiding over the meeting.

Others in attendance included Susan Smith, Solicitor, Law Offices of Susan Smith. Kevin Fox, Gannett Fleming; Dean Shank, EMC; Bill Ceravola, Officer in Charge; Jerry Shank, Planning Commission; James Graham, PMCA; George Wolf, Jeff and Louanne Megonnell.

Pledge of Allegiance

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Executive Sessions held December 20, 2021 (Personnel; Reading Investors Litigation);
January 3, 2022 (Personnel)

January 3rd the Board met for Reorganization Meeting

January 6th the Board met with William Hill & Erik Vranich

MINUTES

Minutes from the December 20, 2021, Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Phillips, second by Mr. Thomason; motion carried unanimously.

Minutes from the Board of Supervisors Re-organization meeting held on January 3, 2022, were approved on a motion by Mr. Phillips, second by Mr. Thomason; motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jeff Megonnell stated the speed he counted the houses from the timing strip the Officers use to conduct their speed control. He stated there is only seven houses from the square.

Engineers Report

**Craig Nell Subdivision Plan-second
90-Day Extension for consideration
And approval**

Mr. Phillips made a motion to grant the 90-day extension for the Craig Nell Subdivision Plan, second by Mr. Thomason; motion carried unanimously.

Dollar General Storm Basins

Mr. Fox received a letter from Miller Group Holdings, LP which stated they will be looking into the issue as to why the water is not draining into the storm basin. They are also continuing to work with the Conservation District concerning this matter.

Chesterfield Update

Mr. Fox stated Chesterfield would like to change the plans from what was approved. They are proposing putting a pipe underneath the driveways. He will need a waiver from the Township to approve it. They did not file a formal request yet. Mr. Fox advised not allowing the change.

Hampton Heights

Legal Matter

Mr. Fox stated the developer from Hampton Heights and Gannett Fleming will be going in front of an arbitrator concerning Gannett Fleming's fee is involving Hampton Heights Phase IV. The arbitrator will be another professional engineer and if the two parties can not agree on one the court will appoint.

BUSINESS MATTERS

PMCA-Complaints

Appeal Procedure

Mr. James Graham, Code Enforcement Officer, was present from PMCA. Mr. Graham stated one of the complaints that he acted on prompted an appeal. He stated Reading Township is complaint driven. He begins by using a door hanger warning requesting maintenance. If that does not work, he gives a notice of violation. Then there would be a citation given if they still do not comply.

2022 Church Road Project

Bid Packages

Mr. Phillips made a motion to approve advertising for the 2022 Church Road Project in the Gettysburg Times and the Merchandiser two consecutive weeks in a row on January 24 and January 31, second by Wes Thomason; motion carried.

Discussion on adding a \$50.00

Administrative fee to Building Permit

To recover cost

Mr. Phillips made a motion to amend Resolution 2022-03, Fee Schedule, to include an additional \$50.00 administrative cost per permit effective January 17, 2022, second by Mr. Thomason; motion carried unanimously.

Fire Police Concerns

Randy Hoover, Co-Captain of station thirty-three, spoke to Chairman Holtzinger before the meeting with some concerns he has. Mr. Hoover stated the school bus drops the kids off on Route 94. He would like more signage posted in the area. They used to pick the kids up at the Hampton Fire Company. The Board would like Ms. Beard to call bus transportation to see if they could return to picking them up at the Fire Company. Mr. Hoover would like to see more signage for bus stops on Route 94.

The second concern, Mr. Hoover would like more lighting around the Circle. Ms. Beard will check with PennDOT. The question was also raised as to why there are no signs to not allow brake retarders. Mr. Phillips stated there must be a road study performed.

Third, Mr. Hoover questioned if there could be rumble strips installed at Lake Meade Road and Route 234. He is concerned about the accidents happening there. Our public work crew has never installed rumble strips.

Codes Administration and Enforcement

Ordinance-consider and refer to public hearing

Attorney Smith made some changes to the Codes Administration and Enforcement Ordinance to designate certain area's to be taken care of enforcing by a certain person. Attorney Smith would like the Board and Township staff to review and get back to her with any questions or concerns.

Resolutions

2022-06- Appointments to the LMMA-consider and adopt

Resolution 2022-06 is not needed because there was no one being appointed to any positions.

2022-07- Appointments to the Planning Commission-consider and adopt

Mr. Phillips made a motion to approve and adopt Resolution 2022-07, second by Mr. Thomason; motion carried unanimously.

2022-08- Appointments to the Zoning Hearing Board-consider and adopt

Mr. Phillips made a motion to approve and adopt Resolution 2022-08, second by Mr. Thomason; motion carried unanimously.

2022-11-Continuity of Government

Mr. Phillips made a motion to approve and adopt Resolution 2022-11, second by Mr. Thomason; motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report for the month of December were approved pending audit on a motion by Mr. Phillips, second by Mr. Thomason; motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

The Board acknowledged receiving reports from the Police, Public Works, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer and Building Inspector, Emergency Management, United Hook and Ladder and Northeast Adams Fire & EMS and the RTMA Audited Financial Statement for the year 2021.

Mr. Phillips made a motion to accept the Administrative Reports as presented, second by Mr. Thomason; motion carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

American Rescue Plans Funds Update

Attorney Smith reviewed interim guidelines from the Department of the Treasury on how the money can be spent that was received for the American Rescue Plan. The four categories are:

1. Recovery of tax loss
2. Essential workers' pay at \$13.00 an hour but it is not for the people who worked from home.
3. Expenses for sewer, infrastructure, culvert pipes and stormwater.
4. Health and economic impacts.

Money can also be given to non-profit organizations if they have their 501© 3 Forms.

Common Interest Ownership Communities Study

Attorney Smith stated there was a study done in 2011 for common interest ownership communities. This study will be performed again and finished within a year.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jerry Shank acknowledged Mr. Phillips uncle's passing. He was very involved in the fire company.

Louanne Megonnel stated a yield sign was down at the Hampton Circle. PennDOT was notified.

Attorney Smith stated as an FYI, there is a bill in legislation that would prevent Police Officers from carrying military grade weapons.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm on a motion by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Thomason; motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Beard
Secretary/Treasurer