SUMMIT TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

Regular Business Meeting Monday, April 15, 2024

Vice-Chairman Welka called the regular business meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order at 4:30 pm following salute to the flag. Supervisor Davis was present, as were Solicitor Wachter, Zoning Administrator Cass, Engineer Jonas, Recording Secretary Nesselhauf, and five interested persons.

CALL TO ORDER

Motion by Davis, seconded by Welka, to approve the minutes of the Regular Business Meeting on April 1, 2024, as presented and reviewed by the Board of Supervisors.

4/1/24 MINUTES

Vote: 2/0

Motion by Davis, seconded by Welka, to approve the March 2024 Treasurer's Report as presented and reviewed by the Board of Supervisors. (\$429,830.48 expensed).

MAR. 2024 TREAS.

REPORT

Vote: 2/0

There was no correspondence to report.

CORRESPONDENCE

Motion by Davis, seconded by Welka, to approve scheduling a public hearing for Durst Drive Vacation and amendment to Summit Township Official Map for May 6, 2024, at 6:00 pm immediately preceding the Regular Business Meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING-DURST DRIVE VACATION

Vote: 2/0

Zoning Administrator Cass reported that the Abigail & Tyler Abatta Subdivision Plan located at 8385 Oliver Rd has been reviewed and recommended for approval by both Erie County Planning and the Summit Township Planning Commission, and she further recommends approval. Cass also reported that Bill Steff, Manager of the Summit Township Sewer Authority, has confirmed that sewer is available for this subdivision.

ABATTA SUBDIVISION 40-16-72-46

Motion by Davis, seconded by Welka, to approve the Abigail & Tyler Abatta Subdivision Plan for Parcel ID No. 40-16-72-46.

Vote: 2/0

Solicitor Wachter had nothing to report.

SOLICITOR

Engineer Jonas updated the Board that the Picnicana playground grant was submitted to DCNR on April 3rd and probably won't hear anything back until this fall. Jonas also reported that the township will probably not hear anything regarding two grants that were submitted to DCED until fall as well. One grant was for the Old Zuck Road Culvert & Road Improvements Project, and one was for the Downs Drive Improvement Project.

ENGINEER

Supervisor Davis reported that seasonal park employees have started and will begin cleanup of the parks to prepare for the May 1st opening and that the Picnicana restrooms remodel is almost complete and should also be ready for the May 1st opening. He also reported that the batting cages are up at Community Park. Davis stated that everything went smoothly at the parks with the solar eclipse.

SUPERVISORS

Supervisor Welka reported that the Streets Department rented a machine for crack sealing & patching, and they are using it to repair around catch basins. He stated that crews were out this weekend removing a few trees that were down due to high winds. Welka also reported that the Picnicana restroom remodel was being done in-house by the Streets Department.

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Jim Chojnacki, 9481 Old French Road, asked why there were no employees at work the afternoon of April 8th. Supervisor Welka stated that the township closed for the afternoon due to the solar eclipse. Mr. Chojnacki asked if the employees were paid for that and, if so, is that legal. Supervisor Welka stated yes, the employees were paid but if the employee took the entire day off, they used paid time off. Solicitor Wachter responded that it is legal and that administration can make and approve these decisions through various forms.

PUBLIC INPUT

Jim Chojnacki asked if the big loader was sold if the township got what they were asking for, and what will they do with the smaller loader. Supervisor Welka stated that it was sold for \$110,000 and that the township will be looking for a mid-size loader and will use the smaller loader as a trade-in.

Jim Chojnacki asked who the contractor was that did the brick work on the columns of the pavilions at Picnicana and what it cost. Supervisor Davis stated the cost was \$11,800, and the contractor was C M Miller.

Greg Coburn, 9545 Hamot Road, expressed his displeasure with the new recycling requirements and stated that the supervisors shouldn't allow the state to tell them what to do. Supervisor Welka stated that due to the 2020 census results, the township is now obligated by law to provide curbside recycling pickup and that if the township is not in compliance, state funding would be withheld. Solicitor Wachter stated that the township had two options, one to go out to bid and contract with one trash provider that all residents would have to contract with for trash and recycling service or pass an ordinance to require all trash providers in the township to provide curbside recycling pick up so the residents could still choose their own provider.

Bob Smith, 711 Townhall Rd. W. asked if all the tires littered throughout the township had been picked up. Supervisor Welka stated they filled two one-ton trucks full and believed they got all of them. Mr. Smith asked if we had contacted the State Police. Supervisor Davis stated that the township has a video of the truck and trailer, which has been sent to the State Police.

With no further business to come before the Board, motion by Davis, seconded by Welka, to adjourn the meeting at 4:49 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Vote: 2/0

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Nesselhauf Recording Secretary 04/15/2024