

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
MEETING –Monday April 17, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Washington Township was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Vice-Chairman Strausbaugh.

PRESENT: Supervisors Strausbaugh, Stine, DeDona, and McCracken. Also present were Township Manager Jeffrey Geesaman, Assistant Township Manager Vernon Ashway, Township Secretary/Treasurer Karen Hargrave, Assistant Zoning Officer Chad Reichard, Solicitor Zachary Mills and 8 citizens. Supervisor McCleaf arrived a little late for this meeting.

FROM THE FLOOR:

- a. ABATE Proclamation – Resolution # 791

Members from the ABATE Group were present this evening. Vice-Chairman Strausbaugh presented Resolution # 791 to the ABATE Group which was a Proclamation proclaiming May 2023 as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: On a Strausbaugh/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the agenda as presented, vote was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES:

a. **Regular Meeting Minutes April 3, 2023-** On a McCracken/Strausbaugh motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the April 3, 2023 meeting minutes, vote was unanimous.

REPORTS:

a. **Waynesboro EMS -** Dennis Ott presented the March 2023 report from Waynesboro EMS. On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the March 2023 report from Waynesboro EMS, vote was unanimous.

b. **Waynesboro Fire Department Report-March 2023-** Fire Chief Deavers presented the March 2023 fire department report. On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the Waynesboro Fire Department March 2023 Report, vote was unanimous.

c. **Blue Ridge Fire & Rescue – March 2023 –** Assistant Manager presented the March 2023 report from Blue Ridge Fire & Rescue. On a Strausbaugh/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the March 2023 EMS report from Blue Ridge Fire & Rescue, vote was unanimous. On a DeDona/Strausbaugh motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the March 2023 Blue Ridge Fire and Rescue fire report, vote was unanimous.

d. **WTPD Report March 2023-** The Assistant Manager presented the March 2023 report for the Washington Township Police Department. On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the March 2023 report from Washington Township Police Department, vote was unanimous.

TOWNSHIP SECRETARY:

- a. **Invoices:**

The following invoices and requisition were presented for payment:

General Fund	\$ 62,766.98
Cap Res Cap Proj.	162,904.00
Highway Aid Fund	5,003.88
Fire & EMS Fund	35,900.00
Police Pension Fund	<u>7,500.00</u>
Total Invoices	\$274,074.86
Requisition # 15	\$162,904.00

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On a DeDona/Strausbaugh motion, the Board of Supervisors approved payment of the invoices and Requisition for Loan Proceeds # 16 as presented, vote was unanimous.

b. Recycling Report – March 2023- The Township Secretary/Treasurer presented the March 2023 Recycling Report. On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the March 2023 Recycling Report, vote was unanimous.

c. Washington Township Fire Police-Award-Kathy Seiler- Ms. Seiler was not present so the Township Secretary/Treasurer presented a Certificate of Appreciation for the Washington Township Fire Police from the Greater Waynesboro PA Area Appalachian Trail Community.

ASSISTANT ZONING OFFICER’S REPORT:

a. 02-23 Kevel Investments - Assistant Township Zoning Officer advised that this Plan was a final plan situated on Blue Ridge Avenue. This final plan was recommended for approval by the Washington Township Planning Committee. The Township Engineer had seven comments, all of which were acknowledged by Unger Surveying. The plan and waiver to section 310-21(N) were recommended for approval pending Conservation District approval, PA DEP approval of the facilities planning module, payment of Park and Recreation Fees, Bonding, and the plat changes listed in the March 10, 2023 letter from Martin and Martin Engineering. On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved 02-23 Kevel Investments final plan subject to pending approvals listed above, vote was unanimous.

b. 03-23 Aldi – Assistant Township Zoning Officer advised that this plan was a final land development plan situated on Buchanan Trail East . This plan was explained to the Supervisors having been previously recommended for approval by the Washington Township Planning Committee. The Township Engineer had 12 comments, all of which were acknowledged by APD Engineering & Architecture, PLLC. The plan was recommended for approval pending; payment of transportation impact fees, stormwater review and bonding, and the plat changes listed in the February 23, 2023 letter from Martin and Martin Engineering. On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved plan 03-23 Aldi’s subject to all conditions being met that are listed above, vote was unanimous.

c. 04-23 Harry and Margaret Bumbaugh - Assistant Township Zoning Officer advised that this plan was a final subdivision plan situated on Shady Lane. This plan was explained to the Supervisors having been previously recommended for approval by the Washington Township Planning Committee. The Township Engineer had four comments, all of which were acknowledged by Lee Royer and Associates. The Washington Township Planning Committee requested that a turning circle to PennDOT specifications be added to the plat in order to meet liquid fuels requirements. This requested change having been

made and an updated plat presented to the Supervisors, the plan and a waiver to section 310-21(N) were recommended for approval. On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved this final subdivision plan and waiver requested above, vote was unanimous.

d. 05-23 Peck Myers - Assistant Township Zoning Officer advised that this plan was a final subdivision plan situated on Old Germantown Road. This plan was explained to the Supervisors having been previously recommended for approval by the Washington Township Planning Committee. The Township Engineer had four comments, all of which were acknowledged by Lee Royer and Associates. The plan and waiver to section 310-21(N) were recommended for approval. On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved final subdivision plan 05-23 Peck Myers, vote was unanimous. On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the waiver request to section 310-21(N), vote was unanimous.

ASSISTANT MANAGER'S REPORT:

a. Property Changes-March 2023- The Assistant Township Manager presented the March 2023 Property Change Report for Washington Township.

b. Tax Appeal Properties Hearing Schedule- The Assistant Township Manager presented a notice of the Tax Appeal Hearing by the Board of Assessment and Revision of Taxes and that they would meet on April 26, 2023.

c. Antietam Humane Society Report-March 2023 - The Assistant Township Manager presented the March 2023 report submitted by the Antietam Humane Society.

d. Termination of Employment - The Assistant Township Manager asked the Board of Supervisors to ratify the termination of employee William Jack effective April 14, 2023. On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors ratified the termination of William Jack, effective April 14, 2023, vote was unanimous.

MANAGERS REPORT-

a. New Building Update -The Township Manager gave an update on the new Township building.

1. Police Department Moving Plan

The Washington Township Police Department presented their tentative moving plan.

Some discussion was held concerning different aspects of planning for the upcoming move.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT- An update was given on the items he has been working on with our staff.

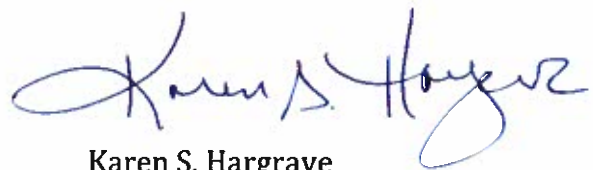
MISCELLANEOUS- Chief Deavers asked about fire alarms for the proposed Aldi's. Supervisor Strausbaugh asked when the Red Run Park train would be open to run, what was the Township's target date for moving and where the Township was financially with the loan for the new building. The Township Manager advised that he and Assistant Township Manager had a meeting with Adrian Shank concerning the Amsterdam Road situation. The Township Manager advised that Mr. Shank seemed willing to work with the township and that it was an amicable meeting. Supervisor McCleaf questioned the plan for the existing microphone system.

CONDITIONAL USE HEARING AT 5:30 PM – Two M Properties, LLC – This meeting was postponed from the March 20, 2023 meeting to the April 17, 2023 meeting on a Strausbaugh/DeDona motion above.

With no further business, the meeting was recessed at 2:45 p.m. and will reconvene at 5:30 p.m. for a conditional use hearing for Two M Properties on a McCracken/DeDona motion, vote was unanimous.

CONDITIONAL USE HEARING AT 5:30 PM – Two M Properties, LLC

The Township re-convened at 5:30 p.m. The Township received a conditional use application for Two M Properties, LLC on February 3, 2023 for the property located at 12025 Bayer Drive, Waynesboro, PA requesting use of that property to operate a group home for his employees to reside in from Monday to Thursday while working at their job site in Sabillasville, Maryland. The applicant is Ryan Berry, Facilities Manager. The Assistant Zoning Officer advised this would fall under 360-66-E of our Township Code. All persons were sworn in before any discussion was held on this property/conditional use. Citizens that were present and testified were as follows: Randy Freeman and Tara Freeman, 12107 Bayer Drive, William Sanders, 12110 Byer Drive, Kevin Dickinson, 11691 Woodlea Drive and Mr. Matson, owner of the property of 12105 Bayer Drive. After all citizens and applicant Matson had an opportunity to speak, on a McCracken/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors closed the conditional use hearing at approximately 5:55 p.m., vote was unanimous. Discussion was then held among the Supervisors on the conditional use request and conditions to impose. Township Solicitor advised all persons present that he would draft an Order to be signed at the next regular meeting. On a McCracken/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors closed the conditional use meeting at approximately 6:55 p.m., vote was unanimous.



Karen S. Hargrave
Township Secretary