

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
MEETING -Monday January 20, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Washington Township was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice-Chairman McCleaf. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Supervisors McCleaf, McCracken, Strausbaugh and DeDona were present. Also present were Township Manager Jeffrey Geesaman, Secretary Karen Hargrave, Township Planner Vern Ashway, reporter Andrea Rose and 6 citizens. Assistant Secretary Sarah Ginn was not present.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: Vice-Chairman McCleaf presented Resolution # 712 to Elaine Gladhill for acknowledgement of the 12 years of service provided to the Township Board of Supervisors. Elaine Gladhill was also presented a certificate for her years of service to Washington Township from PSATS.

FROM THE FLOOR: None

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the agenda as presented, vote was 4-0.

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 6, 2020 REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES: On a Strausbaugh/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the January 6, 2020 reorganization meeting minutes, vote was 4-0.

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 6, 2020 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: On a DeDona/Strausbaugh motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the meeting minutes from the January 6, 2020 regular meeting, vote was 4-0.

REPORTS:

a. Blue Ridge December 2019 report- Fire Chief James Meek presented the December 2019 report from Blue Ridge Fire & Rescue. Chief Meek mentioned that Blue Ridge Fire & Rescue received a State Fire Commissioner's Grant in the amount of \$22,000. He also mentioned that tickets were available for their annual gun bash. On a McCracken/Strausbaugh motion, the Board of Supervisors accepted the December 2019 report from Blue Ridge Fire & Rescue, vote was 4-0.

b. Blue Ridge 2019 annual report- Fire Chief James Meek presented the year-end report for 2019 from Blue Ridge Fire & Rescue. On a McCracken/Strausbaugh motion, the Board of Supervisors accepted the 2019 annual report from Blue Ridge Fire & Rescue, vote was 4-0.

c. Waynesboro Fire November and December 2019 Reports -Township Manager Jeff Geesaman presented the Waynesboro Fire November and December 2019 reports. On a Strausbaugh/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors accepted the November and December 2019 fire reports, vote was 4-0. On a Strausbaugh/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors accepted the November and December 2019 fire reports, vote was 4-0.

d. Waynesboro Fire 2019 Annual Report – Township Manager Jeff Geesaman presented the Waynesboro Fire 2019 Annual Report. On a Strausbaugh/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors accepted the 2019 Annual Fire report, vote was 4-0.

e. Waynesboro Ambulance December 2019 Report – DJ Ott presented the Waynesboro Ambulance December 2019 Report. Discussion was that there are less volunteers helping at this time. On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors accepted the Waynesboro Ambulance December 2019 Report, vote was 4-0.

f. Washington Township Police Department December 2019- Officer in Charge Michael McGovern presented the December 2019 report from the Washington Township Police Department. Officer McGovern advised that Officer Rudy volunteered to participate in the Waynesboro Business Expo. On a Strausbaugh/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors accepted the December 2019 report from the Washington Township Police Department, vote was 4-0.

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORTS:

a. Invoices:

The following invoices were presented for payment:

General Fund	\$135,048.65
Highway Aid Fund	\$ 7,543.65
WTB Fund	<u>584.24</u>
 Total Invoices	 \$143,176.54

On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved payment of the invoices presented, vote was 4-0.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY REPORT:

a. December 2019 Recycling Report- The Township Secretary presented the December 2019 recycling report. On a McCracken/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the December 2019 recycling report, vote was 4-0.

COMMUNICATIONS:

a. Blue Ridge Fire Request for Pine Hill to Use for Gun Bash - The Township received a request from Blue Ridge Fire & Rescue to use Pine Hill Park for May 29 and May 30, 2020 for the Annual Gun Bash event. They also requested that the park be closed to the public on those days. They will provide the Township with the permit for malt beverage and liability insurance for this event. On a Strausbaugh/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the above request for Blue Ridge Fire & Rescue, vote was 4-0.

b. Franklin County Public Safety Training Center 2019 Annual Report -The Township received the 2019 Annual Report from the Franklin County Public Safety Training Center.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT:

a. 19-19 Robert Backer- The Township Zoning Officer presented plan 19-19 for Robert Backer final subdivision to eliminate a driveway encroachment on the land of Elwood Tracey. Since this is a lot addition, Mr. Backer is requesting a waiver of Section 310-21.N plan that requires widening of Waterloo Road and

- the construction of a swale along the road. On a Strausbaugh/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the final subdivision plan 19-19 as presented, vote was 4-0. On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved a waiver of Section 310-21.N to widen Waterloo Road, vote was 4-0.
- b. 20-19 Oliver Homes Application** – The Township Zoning Officer presented plan 20-19 for Oliver Homes final subdivision to eliminate their requirement for a grading plan since the overall plan of Farmsprings Estates had a grading plan with first floors for the buildings. The developer is changing Townhouses to Duplexes but will still follow the original grading plan. On a McCracken/Strausbaugh motion, the Board of Supervisors approved a waiver of Section 310-11.A.2 which applies to a grading plan, vote was 4-0. On a McCracken/Strausbaugh motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the final subdivision plan 20-19 as presented, vote was 4-0.
- c. Antietam Commons Application** -The Township Zoning Officer presented plan 21-19 for Antietam Commons – application for subdivision for new lots. All comments by reviewing agencies were discussed. On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the application for subdivision with the following conditions, 1) post bonding for public roadways, 2) approval from WTMA and 3) the park and recreation fees must be paid before final approval of this plan, vote was 4-0.
- b. Soccer Shots FABW Request to Use Green Space at Pine Hill Park-** The Township received a letter dated January 17, 2020 from Soccer Shots FABW requesting the use of the green space at Pine Hill Park from Tuesday March 23rd from 5:15-6:30 p.m. This event is a free fund day for families to experience what Soccer Shots is all about. They requested an 8-week session to start on Tuesday, March 31st through Tuesday May 19, 2020 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. On a McCracken/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the above request, vote was 4-0.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

- a. Resolution 713 - Updating WTPD Rules & Regulations** - The Township Manager presented Resolution # 713 which updates the Rules & Regulations for the Township Police Department. On a McCracken/Strausbaugh motion, the Board of Supervisors approved and adopted Resolution #713, vote was 4-0.
- b. Proposed Ordinance No. 272 - WT Park Ordinance-** The Township Manager presented proposed Ordinance No. 272 to the Board of Supervisors which would amend the parks and recreation areas chapter of the Code, incorporating Monterey Park and the Rouzerville Community Center. On a Strausbaugh/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors tabled this matter for further information, vote was 4-0
- c. Proposed Ordinance No. 273 - MPH District Ordinance** - The Township Manager presented proposed Ordinance No. 273 to the Board of Supervisors which would amend the Zoning Chapter of the Code of Washington Township to Create a Multipurpose Historic District. On a Strausbaugh/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors tabled this matter for further information, vote was 4-0
- d. Proposed Ordinance No. 274 - WT Parking Ordinance** - The Township Manager presented proposed Ordinance No. 274 to the Board of Supervisors which would amend the Code Prohibiting buses from obstructing public streets and all vehicles from

obstructing public streets and all vehicles from obstructing cul-de-sacs. On a Strausbaugh/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors tabled this matter for further information, vote was 4-0.

e. Proclamation – PA One Call making April “Safe Digging Month” - The Township Manager presented a Proclamation for Washington Township to recognize the month of April 2020 as “Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month”. On a DeDona/Strausbaugh motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the Proclamation, vote was 4-0.

f. Ratify Hiring of New Police Officer Richard Wiest - The Township Manager recommended the hiring of new police officers Richard Wiest and Daniel Gaskin on a full-time basis per the current Collective Bargaining Agreement for the police department effective January 21, 2020. On a Strausbaugh/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors hired Richard Wiest and Daniel Gaskin as full time police officers subject to the current Collective Bargaining Agreement effective January 21, 2020, vote was 4-0.

g. Monterey Pass 2019 Letter & Agreement - The Township Manager presented the Franklin County’s 2019 Tourism and Quality of Life Enhancement Grant to the Board of Supervisors. On a DeDona/Strausbaugh motion, the Board of Supervisors authorized the Township Manager to sign all necessary paperwork for the above grant, vote was 4-0.

h. 2020 Electronic Recycling Proposal - The Township Manager presented the electronic recycling & hauling bid for year 2020. On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors accepted the electronic recycling proposal by E-end dated January 13, 2020, vote was 4-0.

WACCO Deed of Dedication - The Township Manager presented the WACCO Properties deed of dedication to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors authorized the Township Manager to move forward with the signing of the Deed of Dedication from WACCO properties, vote was 4-0.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT- The Solicitor discussed a few matters on the proposed ordinances mentioned above.

MISCELLANEOUS: Supervisor Strausbaugh mentioned the speeding that occurs on Old Forge Road. The Township Manager reported that the person who purchased the Ammerman property wanted to use Tower Road for private recreational purposes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a Strausbaugh/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors entered executive session at approximately 8:33 p.m., vote was 4-0. Real estate matters were discussed during this session.

On a McCracken/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors adjourned this meeting at approximately 9:08 p.m., vote was 4-0.



Karen S. Hargrave
Township Secretary