

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
MEETING –Monday, April 5, 2021
Due to Covid-19 this meeting was also held via Zoom

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Washington Township was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Strausbaugh.

PRESENT: Supervisors DeDona, McCleaf, Strausbaugh, McCracken and Stine were present. Also present were Manager Jeffrey Geesaman, Township Secretary/Treasurer Karen Hargrave, Township Zoning Officer Vernon Ashway, Assistant Secretary Sarah Ginn, Assistant Zoning Officer Chad Reichard, Police Chief Michael McGovern, Solicitor Zachary Mills and 6 citizens.

FROM THE FLOOR: Thomas Cordell of Rouzerville spoke on behalf of his “Racing to Re-Unite” non-profit mission.

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

CONDITIONAL USE HEARING:

a. CU21-001 Levi Hess- The Chairman of the Board gave oaths to all persons wishing to speak on behalf of Conditional Use CU21-001. The applicant is Levi Hess and the property location is 10600 Fish & Game Road, Waynesboro. The background history was given by Township Zoning Officer Vernon Ashway. Mr. Levi Hess spoke on behalf of his intentions for the conditional use at his property. A map of the property was entered into record. The Township Zoning Officer reviewed the comments presented from Martin & Martin and entered them into record. On a McCleaf/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors voted to close the conditional use hearing, vote was unanimous. On a McCleaf/Stine motion the conditional use application for Levi Hess was approved with the following conditions: the maximum number of guests staying at the bed and breakfast is four, the property must be inspected by the Washington Township Sewage Enforcement Officer and Building Inspector and comply with any requirements imposed by those inspections, vote was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 15, 2021 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: On a McCleaf/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the meeting minutes from the March 15, 2021 regular meeting, vote was unanimous.

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORTS:

a. Invoices & Transfers:

The following invoices were presented for payment:

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| General Fund | \$ 64,417.68 |
| Highway Aid Fund | \$ 49,237.93 |
| Capital Reserve Cap Proj. | \$ 22,181.25 |
| Total Invoices | \$135,836.86 |

The Township Secretary/Treasurer also presented 2 ACH transfers in the State Fund Account. On a McCleaf/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved payment of the invoices presented and the ACH transfers, vote was unanimous.

b. Treasurer's Report February 2021- The Township Secretary/Treasurer presented the February 2021 Treasurer's report. On a DeDona/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors accepted the February 2021 Treasurer's report, vote was unanimous.

c. Recycling Financial Statements January & February 2021- The Township Secretary/Treasurer presented the recycling financial statements for January and February 2021. On a McCracken/Stine motion, the Board of Supervisors accepted the recycling financial reports for January and February 2021, vote was unanimous.

d. Transfer Station Financial Statements January & February 2021- The Township Secretary/Treasurer presented the transfer station financial reports for January and February 2021. On a McCleaf/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors accepted the transfer station financial reports for January and February 2021, vote was unanimous.

e. EMC Insurance Safety Program Dividend- The Township Secretary/Treasurer presented a letter from the Kilmer Group on a dividend check being paid to the township in the amount of \$17,515.00.

f. Payment Remittance Liquid Fuels- The Township Secretary/Treasurer stated that liquid fuels money in the amount of \$520,382.63 had been paid via ACH.

COMMUNICATIONS:

a. Tax Appeal Hearing- The Township Manager presented information on an upcoming tax appeal hearing to be held on April 20, 2021.

b. Franklin County Tax Assessment Change- The Township Manager presented information on 3 tax assessment changes on properties in Washington Township.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT:

a. Request for the Rouzerville Community Center- The Township Zoning Officer presented an email received from Sabrina Malcom regarding renting the Rouzerville Community Center. The request from Ms. Malcom was for the township to donate the rental of the Rouzerville Community Center for girl scout troop meetings. On a DeDona/McCleaf motion, the Board of Supervisors voted to table the request until additional information could be received, vote was unanimous.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

a. Award Bridge Bid- The Township Manager presented 3 bids that had been received for bridge maintenance. The first bid received was from Lobar Associates, Inc. totaling \$271,101.34. The second bid received was from Mar-Allen Concrete Products, Inc. totaling \$377,734.80. The third bid received was from GRC General Contractors, Inc. totaling \$463,118.75. On a DeDona/McCleaf motion, the Board of Supervisors voted to award Lobar Associates Inc. the bridge maintenance bid totaling \$271,101.34, vote was unanimous.

b. Monterey Pass Ribbon Cutting Event- The Township Manager presented information for a ribbon cutting ceremony to be held at Monterey Pass on June 4, 2021 for the trails and platform dedication. The rain date for the event will be June 11, 2021.

c. Fire Tower Inspection- The Township Manager presented an email from John Gorman regarding the fire tower in Blue Ridge Summit. Mr. Gorman received a quote in the amount of \$2,840.00 from Davanna LLC to inspect the fire tower. On a McCleaf/Stine

motion, the Board of Supervisors denied the request to have the fire tower inspected in the amount of \$2,840.00, vote was unanimous.

d. Surplus Badge Request & Donation- The Township Manager presented a letter from Chief McGovern requesting to declare a historic badge as surplus and to donate it to Scott Mummert. On a McCleaf/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors voted to declare a historic police department badge as surplus and donate it to Scott Mummert, vote was unanimous.

e. Franklin County Drug Task Force Contribution- The Township Manager presented a letter from the Franklin County District Attorney requesting a contribution to the Franklin County Drug Task Force. On a McCleaf/Stine motion, the Board of Supervisors voted to table the contribution request until the next meeting, vote was unanimous.

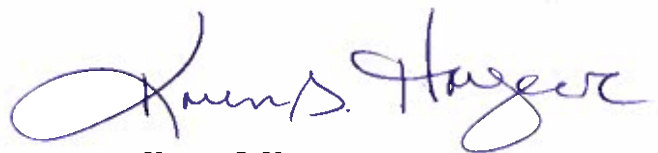
SUPERVISOR'S DISCUSSION:

a. New Industrial Park (Diller property)- The Township Zoning Officer, Township Manager and Board of Supervisors discussed the possibility of a new industrial park off of Anthony Highway.

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

MISCELLANEOUS- Chief McGovern gave an update on the three new patrol cars that had been ordered. He also stated they would be receiving a body camera grant with a 50% match. The Township Manager stated that the 2004 Chevrolet Trailblazer currently used by the Zoning Department needs replaced and declared surplus. On a DeDona/McCleaf motion, the Board of Supervisors voted to declare the 2004 Chevrolet Trailblazer as surplus property, vote was unanimous. The Township Manager stated they were interested in a 2015 Dodge Ram from Buchanan Auto in the amount of \$19,910.00. On a DeDona/McCleaf motion, the Board of Supervisors voted to purchase a 2015 Dodge Ram for the Zoning Department at a cost of \$19,910.00, vote was unanimous. The Township Manager stated that a tree had fallen during a recent storm at Monterey Park and damaged one of the outbuildings. The Township Manager reminded the Board of Supervisors of their road trip meeting scheduled for April 8th at 10:00 a.m. Supervisor DeDona gave an update on the Friends of Monterey Pass's upcoming events and recent presentations.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. on a McCleaf/DeDona motion, vote was unanimous.



Karen S. Hargrave
Township Secretary

