

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
MEETING -Monday, April 18, 2022**

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 Strausbaugh, DeDona, McCleaf, Stine, and McCracken. Also present were Manager Jeffrey Geesaman, Township Secretary/Treasurer Karen Hargrave, Township Zoning Officer Vernon Ashway, Assistant Zoning Officer Chad Reichard, Assistant Secretary Sarah Ginn, Police Chief Michael McGovern, Solicitor Zachary Mills and 7 citizens.

FROM THE FLOOR: Antietam Commons residents Tim Schwab, Jay Deper and Robert Johnson spoke on concerns with their development. Mr. Schwab asked for clarification on the zoning change that took place back in January with Mr. Snowberger's undeveloped land. The land was recently listed for sale and they had concerns with townhomes being constructed. Mr. Johnson stated that he was having water runoff issues and a contractor's fence that has not been removed from his property. Randy Freeman of 12107 Bayer Drive spoke about his concerns with his neighbor's house being used as a "bunk house" for a construction company. It was noted by the Solicitor that this was not a permitted use in the R1 zoning district. The Board of Supervisors advised staff to send a letter of violation and contact the property owners at 12105 Bayer Drive.

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

APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES:

a. Regular Meeting Minutes April 4, 2022- On a McCleaf/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the April 4, 2022 meeting minutes as presented, vote was unanimous.

REPORTS:

a. Waynesboro EMS Report March 2022- The Township Zoning Officer presented the Waynesboro EMS Report from March 2022. On a McCleaf/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the March 2022 report from Waynesboro EMS, vote was unanimous.

b. Waynesboro Fire Department Report March 2022- Chief Devers presented the Waynesboro Fire Department Report from March 2022. On a McCleaf/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the March 2022 report from the Waynesboro Fire Department, vote was unanimous.

c. Blue Ridge Fire & Rescue Report March 2022- Deputy Chief Bonner presented the Blue Ridge Fire & Rescue March 2022 report. He also gave an update on upcoming fundraisers. On a McCleaf/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the March 2022 report from Blue Ridge Fire & Rescue, vote was unanimous.

d. WTPD Report March 2022- Police Chief McGovern presented the Washington Township Police Department report from March 2022. On a McCleaf/Stine motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the March 2022 report from the Washington Township Police Department, vote was unanimous.

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORTS:**a. Invoices:**

The following invoices were presented for payment:

General Fund	\$146,498.29
Highway Aid Fund	11,087.09
Fire & EMS Fund	32,500.00
Cap Reserve Cap Project	1,920.00
Total Invoices	\$192,005.38

On a McCleaf/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved payment of the invoices as presented, vote was unanimous.

b. Transfer Station Financial Report February 2022- The Township Secretary presented the February 2022 Transfer Station financial report. On a McCleaf/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the February 2022 Transfer Station financial report, vote was unanimous.

c. Recycling Center Financial Report February 2022- The Township Secretary presented the February 2022 Recycling Center financial report. On a McCleaf/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the February 2022 Recycling Center financial report, vote was unanimous.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY REPORT:

a. Recycling Report March 2022- The Assistant Secretary presented the March 2022 Recycling Report. On a McCleaf/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the March 2022 Recycling Report, vote was unanimous.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT:

a. Request for use of Pine Hill Park September 24, 2022- The Zoning Officer presented a written request from Lori Eigenbrode to use Pine Hill Park for "Waynesboro Jeep Jam" on September 24, 2022 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. This is a charity event to raise money for a pediatric patient. There will be food truck vendors, 2 local breweries, 1 local distillery along with Jeep vendors. On a McCleaf/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved Lori Eigenbrode's request for Pine Hill Park on September 24, 2022, vote was unanimous.

b. 03-22 Sun Auto Repair Land Development Plan- The Assistant Zoning Officer presented plan 03-22 Sun Auto Repair (East Main Street) final land development plan. All the appropriate agencies have been notified and it was recommended for approval at the Planning Committee meeting with conditions. On a McCleaf/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved final land development plan 03-22 for Sun Auto Repair with conditions, vote was unanimous.

c. 05-22 Vairt Subdivision Plan- The Assistant Zoning Officer presented plan 05-22 final subdivision plan for Vairt, Inc. (Buena Vista Road). All the appropriate agencies have been notified and it was recommended for approval at the Planning Committee meeting. On a McCleaf/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved final subdivision plan 05-22 for Vairt, Inc. including waiver requests, vote was unanimous.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

a. LST Income Comparison Report April 2022- The Township Manager presented the LST Income Comparison Report for April 2022.

b. EIT Comparison Report April 2022- The Township Manager presented the EIT Income Comparison Report for April 2022.

c. Request for ban on brake retarders on Old Forge Road- The Township Manager presented information from resident Nick Murdock requesting brake retarders be prohibited on Old Forge Road. No action was taken by the Board of Supervisors.

d. Advertisement for bids- The Township Manager presented advertising for the following bids: Traffic Signal and Street Lighting Maintenance and Repair Services, Material Bids and Labor and Equipment bids. The advertisements will be published in the Record Herald on April 29 and May 4. On a McCleaf/Stine motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the advertisements for bids as presented, vote was unanimous.

e. Appointing Vernon Ashway to Assistant Manager- The Township Manager presented a memo recommending Vernon Ashway be promoted to Assistant Manager/Assistant Road Master effective immediately. On a McCleaf/DeDona motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the promotion of Vernon Ashway to Assistant Manager/Assistant Road Master effective immediately, vote was unanimous.

f. Discussion on Washington Township Office Complex Financing- The Township Manager presented updated rates and a debt service schedule from PFM Financial Advisors. A discussion was held amongst the Board of Supervisors on financing options. On a Stine/McCleaf motion, the Board of Supervisors voted to pursue a bank loan for the new building complex, vote was unanimous.

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

MISCELLANEOUS- Vernon Ashway stated that The Institute would be using Pine Hill Park for their Earth Day celebration on Saturday, April 23 and requested that the skate park be closed during their event. They would also like to meet with township staff to discuss planting trees at Pine Hill Park in conjunction with their event. Police Chief McGovern stated that he had received information about a "God Bless America" motorcycle event that would have a large presence in our area on June 5, 2022. Traffic control details would be worked out. Supervisor Stine asked to begin discussions at the next meeting on complaints that he is receiving on trash trucks. Jeffrey Geesaman stated that the pre-construction meeting for the new building complex will be on April 19, 2022. He also stated that their will be a groundbreaking ceremony at a date to be announced.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:31 p.m. on a McCleaf/DeDona motion, vote was unanimous.

Karen S. Hargrave
Township Secretary

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