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The monthly meeting of the West Fallowfield Township Board of Supervisors was held on August 19, 2020 in the pavilion. Chairman Hershey called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Duane Hershey, Jeffrey Young, Richard Sprenkle, Solicitor Crotty, Secretary Wheeler, Corporal Hughes, Phillips Thompson, Jerome Liss, Robin McCormick, Theresa Dugan, Carl Smoker, Jennifer Kelly, Kathy Hutton, Crist Stoltzfus, Moses Stoltzfus and his driver, Emil Brandt and William Smith were in attendance.

Duane Hershey announced an addition of Mervin Stoltzfus Zoning Hearing Board Hearing Application to the agenda under New Business. Time was given to review the agenda that was available to all in attendance. Duane Hershey asked for comments on agenda items. There were no comments.

After reviewing the minutes, Duane Hershey made the motion to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2020 meeting of the Board of Supervisors as presented by the secretary. The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Young and passed.

Duane Hershey made the motion to table action on the Crist Stoltzfus waiver requests until information is provided from West Sadsbury Township and Atglen Borough to the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Richard Sprenkle and passed.

Duane Hershey made the motion to accept the granted 120 day extension in the allotted time for review of the Omar Stoltzfus project. The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Young and passed.

Duane Hershey made the motion to accept the granted 60 day extension in the allotted time for review of the Amos Beiler SWM Plan. The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Young and passed.

Duane Hershey made the motion to approve the Glenn Griest SWM plan contingent upon receiving a signed and notarized SWM O & M Agreement and receipt of Financial Security approved by ARRO Consulting, Inc. The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Young and passed.

Secretary Wheeler reported all necessary paperwork was provided for Null's Towing SWM plan.

Corporal Hughes gave the regular monthly report. The officers have completed their necessary certifications for Taser training, CPR, etc. Corporal Hughes stated he has looked at the Traffic light poles as requested and they appear to be ok.

Roadmaster Thompson wanted to publically thank Corporal Hughes for his support during the storms, he was very helpful and even moved a tree off the roadway. Roadmaster Thompson reported the storms have kept them busy with clean-up. The road paving is completed and the oil & chip is scheduled to begin on August 20, 2020. The Kubota needs to be looked at and will be taken for repair. Discussion ensued as to trees in the township right-of-way that are problematic and who is responsible. A letter should be sent to homeowners if trees are unsafe and need attention. If trees are near or on wires, PECO should be notified of the unsafe condition. Discussion was given to the pipe at a property on Fallowfield Road which was narrowed in size by the current homeowner. With the recent storms, the blacktop has waffled from the extremely large amounts of water from the storms and the narrowed pipe's inability to handle the water flow. The problem will be looked at more closely by the Roadmaster to try to find a solution.

Solicitor Crotty arrived at the meeting.

Tax Collector McCormick reported the tax money is coming in. The discount period ends at the end of the month of August. She will be at the pavilion on August 27, 29 and 31st from 9 am to 11 am to collect taxes. Masks must be worn if paying taxes in person.

William Smith arrived at the meeting.

Mark Brandly was on the agenda but was not in attendance.

Duane Hershey made the motion to accept for review the Mervin Stoltzfus Zoning Hearing Board Hearing application. The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Young and passed.

The following correspondence was read:

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- Notice was received from the Cochranville Fire Company, they plan to have their annual auction on October 24, 2020 depending on any new State regulations and guidelines.
- The Cochranville Fire Company Annual Meeting with the Townships will be held on Monday, September 21, 2020 at 7:00 PM at the Cochranville Fire Company.
- The West Fallowfield Township Zoning Hearing Board written decision of the Delduco/Simmons Zoning Hearing Board application was received from Solicitor Neil Land. The Zoning Hearing Board voted unanimously to grant the requested variance to conduct a “commercial stable” on the property located at 3248 Homeville Road.
- A report was received from the PA Economy League on the demographics, housing and related activity and projections of K-12 enrollments coming the next 10 years for Octorara School District.
- Notice was received from PLGIT of consolidations of investment portfolios and programs to allow all operating fund and bond proceeds investors to take advantage of the full range of PLGIT investment portfolios.
- A Thank You note was received from Parkesburg Library for the yearly donation from the Township.
- The 2021 funding request was received from SCCEMS Medic 94.
- The July 2020 report was received from Cochranville Fire Company. There were 25 calls; 8 were in West Fallowfield Township.
- The July 2020 report was received from SCCEMS. There were 260 incidents.
- Proof of Publication was received from Daily Local News for the rescheduled July Board of Supervisor’s meeting.
- The 2020-2029 PA Dot Suburban Master Casting Agreement was received. This is not applicable to West Fallowfield Township as we do not have public water and/or sewer.
- The July 2020 report was received from Christiana Ambulance. There were 19 dispatches; 13 were in West Fallowfield Township.
- The SCCEMS 2019 Annual Report was received.
- Notice was received that Tower Health merged Pottstown Memorial Ambulance Company and Brandywine Medic 93, to form a single Emergency Medical Service for Tower Health called TowerDirect.
- Community Care Center newsletter was received.
- The PSATS News Bulletin was received.
- Sales flyers and information of services offered were received.
- The Oxford Senior Center newsletter was received.

Duane Hershey asked for comments from the floor. Jennifer Kelly inquired about the property across Jebb Road from her home and the trees that are causing her concerns they will come down. Jennifer contacted PECO regarding the trees and stated they will not touch them. She contacted the County and they suggested the Township send the property owner a letter requesting the trees be trimmed. Secretary Wheeler will prepare a letter and send to the property owner.

Emil Brandt brought to the attention of the Board that the 2900 block of Highpoint Road floods when it rains. Mr. Brandt doesn’t feel the water is running to the culvert. The Roadmaster will have a look at the area.

William Smith stated he and his wife have reached an agreement with Moses Stoltzfus. The Smith’s have agreed to cease further actions against Moses Stoltzfus’s application for an Accessory Farm Support Business. Mr. Stoltzfus has agreed to place screening between the Smith property and his

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property. Mr. Smith stated that they (Smith's) have personal issue with the petition that Mr. Stoltzfus began circulating on July 9, 2020. Mr. Stoltzfus stated that he spoke with a township official of the possibility of circulation of a petition to obtain opinions of neighboring property owners regarding the nature of his business to help in his Zoning application. Solicitor Crotty specified the petition was not for the township nor was it suggested by the township. Moses Stoltzfus thanked the Smith's for cooperatively reaching an agreement.

Crist Stoltzfus asked what the Planning Commission is asking for to move his project along. The Planning Commission has been asking for approval and/or opinions from the other townships/boroughs involved in his project for months. Jerome Liss, Chairman of the Planning Commission stated they have requested this information and it has not yet been provided for their review. Mr. Liss stated the Planning Commission cannot approve what goes through other townships. Mr. Stoltzfus was again reminded of the necessary items to move his project along towards completion. He needs to provide a Final or Preliminary/Final of the plan, approval from West Sadsbury Township and Atglen Borough that the access drive is approved as well as meeting every requirement item on the latest review letter of ARRO Consulting, Inc.

After reviewing the invoices, Duane Hershey made the motion to approve payment of the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Young and passed.

The Board went into Executive Session at 7:17 PM.

Duane Hershey re-opened the meeting at 7:45 PM

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gina M. Wheeler, Township Secretary