

The monthly meeting of the West Fallowfield Township Board of Supervisors was held on March 16, 2022 in the township meeting room. Chairman Hershey called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Duane Hershey announced an Executive Session was held prior to the meeting for a fact finding session. Duane Hershey, Secretary Wheeler, Anne Deffenderfer, Richard Sprenkle, Solicitor Crotty, Jerome Liss, Chief Hughes, Hannah LeVasseur, Kathy Hutton, Phillips Thompson, Charles Blevins, Matt Brubaker and 2 members of the Amish community were in attendance. Time was given to review the agenda that was available to all in attendance and was also posted in the meeting room.

Chairman Hershey asked for comments on the agenda items. There were no comments on agenda items.

Anne Deffenderfer made the motion to approve the February 16, 2022 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Richard Sprenkle and passed.

Matthew Brubaker who is representing Glenville Farms in a project that was approved in 2019 for a barn including Stormwater Management. Mr. Brubaker showed the Board plans where the Stormwater route was moved and not what was originally proposed. Mr. Brubaker stated the revised stormwater management plan were conceptually the same as what was approved by the Township in 2019. Mr. Brubaker and Glenville Farms would like the Board to approve the new plans, and send the township engineer, ARRO Consulting, Inc. for this project a letter requesting they sign off on the project. The Board reviewed the new plans for the 2019 project and instructed Secretary Wheeler to compose and send a letter to ARRO Consulting, Inc. advising them the Board has reviewed the new plans and has no issue with the changes and

Mr. Brubaker stated that a new plan for a new project for Glenville Farms has been submitted to the current township engineer, Solanco Engineering Associates. Secretary Wheeler stated that nothing is to be sent to the Township Engineer, all plans, proposals, etc. and fees must come through the township office, and the Secretary will then forward the plans to the appropriate parties. Chairman Hershey reiterated the fact that any and all projects come directly to the township office and not to the township engineer.

Anne Deffenderfer made the motion to approve the AR-JOY Farms Road Occupancy Permit to place an encased pipe under Althouse Road. The motion was seconded by Richard Sprenkle. The motion passed. Duane Hershey abstained from voting.

Anne Deffenderfer made the motion to approve the AR-JOY Farms Road Occupancy Permit to install an encased pipe under Hamilton Road. The motion was seconded by Richard Sprenkle and passed. Duane Hershey abstained from voting. Mr. Hershey thanked the Board for approving the Road Occupancy Permits. With these pipes in place, it will eliminate a large amount of the manure hauling vehicles on the roadway.

Solicitor Crotty updated the attendees on the progress of exploring public water and/or sewer in the village district. An executive session was held before the meeting to discuss a survey that was compiled to send out to 50+ residents within the Village District. The Board hopes to get a good response from the homeowners in the Village District. Richard Sprenkle added that based on the responses received from the survey, the next step would include a public meeting.

Secretary Wheeler read the Steven Stoltzfus Zoning Hearing Board Decision for a one-room Amish Schoolhouse. It was noted that there were conditions attached to the approval for a variance for the Amish Schoolhouse.

Secretary Wheeler announced that the 2021 Annual Municipal Financial Audit has been completed by the Board of Auditors and there were no findings.

Chief Hughes gave the regular monthly report. Both Officers completed Octorara School District training which included all schools. Chief Hughes reported there have been several catalytic converter thefts recently. Anyone who sees anything suspicious should call 9-1-1. East Marlborough has increased the hourly rate from \$65 to \$85 per hour, per officer, per event for assistance with events and Holiday pay has increased to \$115 per hour, per officer, per event.

Roadmaster Thompson reported they have been busy with the recent snow. They have been replacing signs and working on getting the mowers ready. Roadmaster Thompson stated that several other townships have had issues with the poor quality of salt from the vendor who was awarded the contract through COSTARS for this area. The township is required to purchase 60% of our contracted amount. Roadmaster Thompson will take delivery of the required 60% and blend it in with what we currently have in stock.

Tax Collector LeVasseur reported that she is in the process of preparing the tax bills to get mailed out. The computer system is up and running. Robin McCormick will be assisting her for the next while until she is comfortable with the processes.

Duane Hershey made the motion to authorize Secretary Wheeler to advertise and prepare the Road Work Bid Packages for opening at the April 20, 2022 regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors. The motion was seconded by Richard Sprenkle and passed.

Duane Hershey made the motion to have Roadmaster Thompson order and install signage for the Amish Schoolhouse to be built on Steelville Road. The signage should read "School Entrance" or something similar to advise drivers of children on or near the roadway. The motion was seconded by Richard Sprenkle and passed.

A request was received from A-1 Towing asking to be included in the township towing rotation. Chief Hughes stated that normally he would handle the request in department but due to a conflict of interest for him, he wanted the Board of Supervisors to discuss. Chief Hughes stated that the Pennsylvania State Police are currently using Null's Towing and A-1 Towing. Richard Sprenkle made the motion to approve the request of A-1 Towing to be included in the towing rotation. The motion was seconded by Anne Deffenderfer and passed.

The following correspondence was read:

- Statements of Financial Interest were received from Charlotte Sprenkle, Bob Boarts and Raymond Huber.
- The February 2022 Monthly report was received from SCCEMS Medic 94. There were 246 incidents.
- Oath of Office/Loyalty Oath was received from Raymond Huber as an alternate of the West Fallowfield Township Zoning Hearing Board.
- Notice was received from the Court of Common Pleas of Chester County the Stellalou, LLC vs. Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals is listed for trial from Monday, March 7, 2022 to Friday, March 18, 2022.
- Sales flyers and information of services offered were received from various area businesses.

Duane Hershey asked for comments from the floor. Charles Blevins asked for an update of a complaint he lodged regarding a body shop that is operating on Hilltop Drive in what he feels is an unpermitted and or uninspected building. Secretary Wheeler will contact the Zoning Officer in regards to where the complaint stands.

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

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As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gina M. Wheeler, Township Secretary