

May 20, 2020

The monthly meeting of the West Fallowfield Township Board of Supervisors was held on May 20, 2020 via ZOOM due to the COVID-19 virus. Chairman Hershey called the meeting to order at 6:40 PM. Duane Hershey, Jeffrey Young, Richard Sprenkle, Solicitor Crotty, Secretary Wheeler, Corporal Hughes, Robin McCormick, Roadmaster Thompson, Michael Bingham, Jason Shaner of Impact Engineering Group and Jerome Liss were in attendance.

Time was given to review the agenda that was available to all in attendance via the virtual meeting room screen and was also posted on the township website. Duane Hershey asked for comments on agenda items. There were no comments.

Duane Hershey announced there will be an Executive Session following Action on the Bills to discuss legal matters.

After reviewing the minutes, Duane Hershey made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2020 meeting of the Board of Supervisors as presented by the secretary. The motion was seconded by Richard Sprenkle and passed.

Duane Hershey opened the Public Hearing for discussion of the proposed Amendment to the West Fallowfield Township Zoning Ordinance of 1997 as Amended to Delete Section 1303.C related to Accessory Farm Support Businesses. Duane Hershey made the motion to adopt Ordinance #85 Amendment to the West Fallowfield Township Zoning Ordinance of 1997 to Delete Section 1303.C related to Accessory Farm Support Businesses. The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Young and passed. Following a short discussion, the Board of Supervisors will consult with the Zoning Officer and Planning Commission for their input when re-writing this section of the ordinance.

Duane Hershey made the motion to table any action on the Crist Stoltzfus waiver requests until a later time since changes are being worked on by the applicant's engineer for the access drive. The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Young and passed.

Duane Hershey made the motion to accept the retirement letter of Chief Charles W. Wilmont, III effective April 30, 2020. The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Young and passed. Duane Hershey thanked Jeffrey Young, Corporal Hughes and Secretary Wheeler for getting together the plaque presentation for Chief Wilmont on his last day.

Corporal Hughes gave the regular monthly report.

Roadmaster Thompson reported that a section of Bryson Road that Richard Sprenkle questioned him about before the start of the meeting could not simply be repaired by placement of stone. Roadmaster Thompson will look at the section of road. Roadmaster Thompson reported they have been mowing road banks. The green International truck is getting spiffed up. Roadmaster Thompson and Secretary Wheeler will meet to go over projected road repairs and available funding.

Tax Collector McCormick reported that the tax bills have been mailed and money is starting to come in from the bills. Tax Collector McCormick is scheduled to be at the township building on August 27th, 29th, 31st and October 29th and 31st to collect taxes. The new tax program is up and running well.

Duane Hershey made the motion to appoint Corporal Eric Hughes as Officer in Charge at the rate of \$30 per hour effective May 1, 2020. The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Young and passed.

Duane Hershey made the motion to accept the granted 90 day extension in the allotted time for review of the Crist Stoltzfus project. The granted extension extends the allotted time for review from June 1, 2020 to August 30, 2020. The motion was seconded by Richard Sprenkle and passed.

Duane Hershey made the motion to table action on the Amos Beiler Waiver request from Land Development until a determination is made whether this is an Agricultural use or Residential use. The motion was seconded by Richard Sprenkle and passed.

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Duane Hershey made the motion to accept the granted 60 day extension in the allotted time for review of the Mervin Stoltzfus SWM Plan. The granted extension will extend the allotted time for review to July 22, 2020. The motion was seconded by Richard Sprenkle and passed.

Discussion ensued of the Mervin Stoltzfus waiver request from Land Development and the concerns of the West Fallowfield Township Planning Commission pertaining to the Steep Slope Conservation Overlay District and the ability for this project to comply. Michael Bingham stated that in speaking with the Zoning Officer, the Zoning Permit application for this project is being denied due to the proposed location of the building. Jason Shaner stated that ½ of the property is a steep slope. Duane Hershey made the motion to table action on the waiver request. The motion was seconded by Richard Sprenkle and passed.

Jason Shaner left the virtual meeting.

Duane Hershey made the motion to Opt In to the Chester County Housing & Community Development Program. The motion was seconded by Richard Sprenkle and passed.

Following the review of the Charles Blosenski Proposal to extend the current contract for Dumpsters, discussion was given to requirements for the next contract. Duane Hershey made the motion to authorize Secretary Wheeler to advertise and prepare the bid packages for Dumpsters for two (2) years with a one (1) year additional option. Bids will be opened at the July 15, 2020 meeting. The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Young and passed.

Duane Hershey made the motion to exonerate the County of Chester Tax Claim Bureau from collecting delinquent real estate property taxes in the amount of \$30.28 on a mobile home that has been removed. The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Young and passed.

The following correspondence was read:

- Monthly reports were received from Cochranville Fire Company, Christiana Ambulance and SCCEMS Medic 94.
- A resume was received from James David Shaw for the Police Department.
- Proof of Publication was received from Daily Local for the April, May and June Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors meeting to be held on the ZOOM online video conferencing service.
- A copy of the BSTI Remedial Action Completion Report Vapor Intrusion Addendum was received for Lubrano's Automotive.

Duane Hershey asked for comments from the floor. Jerome Liss inquired where things stand with Landhope, the property has debris and looks run-down. No action is being taken by Landhope at this time.

Duane Hershey speaking as a resident and not the chairman inquired about loosening the regulations for legitimate farmers on the Land Development Plan regulations. Dick is concerned that those who the loosened regulations are not intended would then take advantage. Solicitor Crotty stated there are several steps that could alleviate the concern. Solicitor Crotty will send out a draft proposal for discussion at a later time.

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 7:46 PM.

Duane Hershey re-opened the meeting at 8:00 PM

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Gina M. Wheeler, Township Secretary