

HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

REGULAR MEETING

FEBRUARY 27, 2017

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

The regular meeting of the Hempfield Township Board of Supervisors, held at the Hempfield Township Municipal Building, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Doug Weimer, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Members Present: Mr. Doug Weimer
Mr. Jerry Fagert
Mr. Tom Logan

Mr. John Silvis
Mr. George Reese

Staff Present: Mr. Scott Avolio
Mr. Andrew Walz
Mr. Doug Cisco
Mr. Jason Winters

Mrs. Denise Rosak
Mr. Bruce Beitel
Mrs. Melanie Phillips
Mr. Dan Schmitt

2. HEARINGS: None

AGENDA ITEM TO ADD:

Mr. Reese requested that the following item be added to the agenda: Consideration to send the Township solicitor to the Hempfield Township Zoning Hearing Board meeting on March 14th, 2017 to protect the best interests of the Township in regards to the proposed construction of a cell tower in the area of Baltzer Meyer Pike and Fort Allen. The consideration will be added as item “R” under “Action To Be Taken”.

3. CITIZENS COMMENTS: (As Per Resolution #2012-24)

- a) **Al Crimboli** – Mr. Crimboli of 121 Possum Hollow Road, Greensburg, asked for consideration in installing “Pedestrian Crossing” or “Crosswalk” signs in the area of his farm. He requested the signs be erected on Possum Hollow Road in the direction of vehicles coming off of Route 30. He explained that he was almost struck by vehicles on several occasions. Mr. Weimer advised Mr. Crimboli that the Public Works Department will look into his safety issue concerns to determine whether or not a speed limit reduction would be warranted or another course of action available.
- b) **Scott Graham** – Mr. Graham of 40 Cherokee Drive, Greensburg, said that he recognizes that the Board of Supervisors and the Hempfield Township Zoning Hearing Board are two (2) separate entities. However, he also said it is his clear understanding that the Board of Supervisors can provide recommendations to the Zoning Hearing Board. He then attempted to ask each Supervisor for their opinion in regards to the proposed cell tower in the area of Baltzer Meyer Pike and Fort Allen. Mr. Walz advised Mr. Graham that Item “R” added to this evening’s agenda will address his concerns. Mr. Graham submitted the attached “Exhibit A” dated February 27th, 2017, which he read aloud at the meeting.

- c) **Austin Duke and Nathan Fedornak** – Mr. Duke of 139 Henry Farm Lane, Greensburg and Mr. Fedornak of 328 Price Street, Bovard, both Eagle Scouts asked the Board of Supervisors their opinion in regards to the proposed cell tower in the area of Baltzer Meyer Pike and Fort Allen. Mr. Weimer advised Mr. Duke and Mr. Fedornak that Item “R” added to this evening’s agenda will address this matter.
- d) **Rob Ritson** – Mr. Ritson of 58 Timber Trail, Greensburg, advised that he is representing his parents that reside on Wren Drive, which is in the vicinity of the Baltzer Meyer Pike and Fort Allen proposed cell tower. He further explained that he served as the Hempfield Township Manager from 2002 through 2008 and de facto planner wherein addressing all land use planning. Mr. Ritson also said that he encourages the Board of Supervisors to vote favorably in authorizing the Township solicitor to attend the meeting of the Zoning Hearing Board on March 14th, 2017 in order to represent the best interests of the Township. He also stressed that the Township Supervisors have every right to intervene to maintain their vision of how they want their community to grow. Mr. Ritson said that he believes, from a pure planning aspect, the proposed tower would disrupt current and future residential development for years. He urged the Board of Supervisors do the right thing.
- e) **Greg Saunders** – Mr. Saunders, president of the Hempfield Township Chiefs’ Association, of 318 Price Street, Bovard, questioned why the proclamations for the four (4) kids that won the Fire Prevention Contest are not on the agenda to be recognized. The event for the presentation to the winners is scheduled for Friday, March 10th, 2017. Mr. Walz advised Mr. Saunders that he never received the list of the winners. Mr. Saunders said that he sent them and will resend them. Mr. Weimer told Mr. Saunders that the proclamations would be ready prior to March 10th, 2017 and that the acknowledgments would officially be recognized at the March 27th, 2017 Board of Supervisors’ meeting.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:

Supervisor Weimer advised that there were executive sessions conducted on Wednesday, February 22nd, 2017 and this evening, Monday, February 27th, 2017 regarding personnel matters.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Silvis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reese, to approve the January 23rd, 2017 Supervisors’ Monthly meeting minutes as presented. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

6. STAFF REPORTS:

- a) **Andrew Walz, Manager** – Mr. Walz advised that he did not have anything additional to add to his report given at the Public Work Session.
- b) **Bruce Beitel, Public Safety Director** – Mr. Beitel advised that he did not have anything additional to add to his report given at the Public Work Session.
- c) **Jason Winters, Recreation Director** – Mr. Winters advised that he did not have anything additional to add to his report given at the Public Work Session.
- d) **Doug Cisco, Public Works Director** – Mr. Cisco advised that he did not have anything additional to add to his report given at the Public Work Session.

- e) **Dan Schmitt, Engineer** – Mr. Schmitt advised that he did not have anything further to add to his report given at the Public Work Session.
- f) **Scott Avolio, Solicitor** – Mr. Avolio advised that he did not have anything further to add to his report given at the Public Work Session.
- g) **Melanie Phillips, Finance Director** – Ms. Phillips advised that she did not have anything additional to add to her report given at the Public Work Session.

7. TREASURER’S REPORT:

Mr. Logan advised that there was nothing additional to add to the Treasurer’s Report given at the Public Work Session.

8. PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Mr. Logan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Silvis, to approve the following payment of bills as listed below. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

a.	General Fund	\$ 778,535.06	b.	Light District Account	\$ 8,141.85
c.	Pop Fund	\$ 65.00	d.	Recreation Account	\$ 423.00
e.	Workmen’s Comp Account	\$ 19,866.00	f.	Carbon VFD	\$ 8,177.84

Mr. Logan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Silvis, to approve the Carbon VFD bill payment in the amount of \$8,177.84. Vote: 4-Yes. Mr. Reese – Abstained. Motion carried.

9. SCHEDULING OF HEARING: None

10. DECISIONS FOR HEARINGS: None

11. SUBDIVISION PLANS:

- a) **Consideration to Approve Resolution #2017-32; Granting Final Conditional Approval of the Ballew Consolidation Plan (Plan No. 20160847)** – Mr. Fagert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reese, to approve Resolution #2017-32 granting final conditional approval of the Ballew Consolidation Plan (Plan No. 20160847). Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
- b) **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2017-33; Granting Final Approval of the Lopes/Hempfield Land Development Company, Plan No. 1 Subdivision Plan Prepared for Donna F. and John C. Lopes (Plan No. 20160842)** – Mr. Fagert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Logan, to approve Resolution #2017-39, granting final approval of the Lopes/Hempfield Land Development Company, Plan No. 1 Subdivision Plan prepared for Donna F. and John C. Lopes (Plan No. 20160842). Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
- c) **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2017-34; Granting Final Approval of the Grandview Estates – Phase 2 Subdivision Prepared for Hempfield Land Development Company (Plan No. 20160843)** – Mr. Reese made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fagert, granting final approval of the Grandview Estates – Phase 2 Subdivision prepared for Hempfield Land Development Company (Plan No. 20160843). Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

- d) **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2017-35; Granting Final Approval of the Realco Development Known as Speedway Consolidation Plan; Speedway #100846 Hempfield (Plan No. 20160840)** – Mr. Fagert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reese, granting final approval of the Realco Development known as Speedway Consolidation Plan; Speedway #100846 Hempfield (Plan No. 20160840). Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

12. SITE PLANS:

- a) **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2017-36; Granting Final Conditional Site Plan Approval for the Speedway #100846 Hempfield Site Plan (Plan No. 20160841)** – Mr. Fagert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reese, granting final conditional site plan approval for the Speedway #100846 Hempfield Site Plan (Plan No. 20160841). Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

13. ITEMS FOR ACTION TO BE TAKEN:

- a) **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2017-37; Approving a Grant Application to the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) for the 2017 Community Conservation Partnerships Program for a Certain Project to be Known as the Hempfield Park – Basketball & Tennis Courts in the Township of Hempfield** – Mr. Fagert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Silvis, to approve Resolution No. 2017-37, approving a grant application to the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) for the 2017 Community Conservation Partnerships Program for a certain project to be known as the Hempfield Park – Basketball & Tennis Courts in the Township of Hempfield. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
- b) **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2017-38; Authorizing the Disposition and Destruction of Specific Records as Per Exhibit “A”** – Mr. Reese made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fagert, to approve Resolution No. 2017-38 which authorizes the disposition and destruction of specific records as per Exhibit “A” (attached). Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
- c) **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2017-39; Authorizing the Disposition and Destruction of Specific Records by the Duly Elected Hempfield Township Tax Collector as Per Exhibit “A”** – Mr. Silvis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fagert, to approve Resolution No. 2017-39, which authorizes the disposition and destruction of specific records by the duly elected Hempfield Township Tax Collector as per Exhibit “A”. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
- d) **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2017-40; Approving the Allegheny Health Network Westmoreland Medical Office Building Planning Module** – Mr. Fagert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reese, to approve the Allegheny Health Network Westmoreland Medical Office Building Planning Module. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
- e) **Consideration to Approve Pay Estimate #8 in the Amount of \$62,488.69 (Hempfield Township Supervisors Portion) for Fort Allen/Union Cemetery Sanitary/Storm Lining Project** – Mr. Fagert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Silvis, to approve Pay Estimate #8 in the amount of \$62,488.69 (Hempfield Township Supervisors Portion) for Fort Allen/Union Cemetery Sanitary/Storm Lining Project. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
- f) **Consideration to Approve Awarding Hempfield/Greensburg Industrial Park Road Reconstruction (Contract 1/2017). The Following Bids Were Received and Opened on February 15th, 2017:**

	COMPANY	BID AMT.
1.	Tresco Paving Corporation	\$635,259.80
2.	Derry Construction	\$665,067.90
3.	A Liberoni Inc.	\$726,040.70
4.	R & B Contracting	\$726,235.60
5.	A. Folino Construction	\$754,285.80
6.	Michael Facchiano	\$977,557.20
7.	Morgan Excavating	\$983,393.80

Mr. Fagert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Silvis, to award the Hempfield/Greensburg Industrial Park Road Reconstruction (Contract 1/2017) to the lowest bidder, Tresco Paving Corporation at a cost of \$635,259.80. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

- g) **Consideration to Approve Awarding Barrier Retrofit and Beam Crack Repairs – Bridge #323 Whigham Road and Bridge #900 – Thomas Street – Contract 3/2016 (Rebid). The Following Bids Were Received and Opened on February 9th, 2017:**

	COMPANY	BID AMT.
1.	Thornbury Inc.	\$ 59,390.00
2.	Gary Metzinger	\$ 66,830.00
3.	Lone Pine Construction	\$ 80,590.00
4.	Mar Allen	\$ 98,705.00
5.	Gregori Construction	\$123,456.00
6.	Golon Inc.	\$144,500.00
7.	Michael Facchiano	\$153,200.00

Mr. Reese made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fagert, to award the Barrier Retrofit and Beam Crack Repairs – Bridge #323 – Whigham Road and Bridge #900 – Thomas Street (Contract 3/2016 (Rebid) to the lowest bidder, Thornbury Inc. at a cost of \$59,390.00. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

- h) **Consideration to Approve Awarding Traffic Signal Line Paintings and Markings to Parking Lot Painting in the Amount of \$42,559.00 (Contract 6/2017)** -- Mr. Logan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fagert, to award the traffic signal line paintings and markings to Parking Lot Painting in the amount of \$42,559.00 (Contract 6/2017). Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
- i) **Consideration to Authorize the Township Engineer to Prepare Specifications to Map the MS4 Storm Water System** – Mr. Fagert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reese, to authorize the Township engineer to prepare specifications to map the MS4 Storm Water System. Mr. Logan made an amendment to the motion, seconded by Mr. Reese, to cap the amount of money spent at \$250,000.00. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
- j) **Consideration to Approve the Purchase of Two (2) Peterbilt Model 348 Single Axel Dump Trucks from Hunter Truck Sale in the Amount of \$92,826.00 (Co-Star #25-101)** – Mr. Walz advised that the staff requested this matter be tabled until March.

- k) **Consideration to Approve the Purchase and Install of Two (2) Dump Bodies, Hydraulics, Spreader, Built-In Brine Tank and Plow from Walsh Equipment in the Amount of \$66,890.00 (Co-Star #025)** – Mr. Walz advised that the staff requested this matter be tabled until March.
- l) **Consideration to Approve the Purchase of One (1) 2017 F-350 Chassis Crew Cab from Smail Auto in the Amount of \$39,400.00 (Co-Star #025-175)** – Mr. Logan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fagert, to purchase one (1) 2017 F-350 Chassis Crew Cab from Smail Auto in the amount of \$39,400.00 (Co-Star #025-175). Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
- m) **Consideration to Approve the Purchase and Install of a MFG Aluminum Flat Bed from Sabre Equipment in the Amount of \$3,887.00 (Co-Star #025-078)** – Mr. Fagert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reese, to purchase and install a MFG aluminum flat bed from Sabre Equipment in the amount of \$3,887.00 (Co-Star #025-078). Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
- n) **Consideration to Approve the Purchase of One (1) 2017 F-550 Chassis Regular Cab from Smail Auto in the Amount of \$43,900.00 (Co-Star #025-078)** – Mr. Fagert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Logan, to purchase one (1) 2017 F-550 Chassis Regular Cab from Smail Auto in the amount of \$43,900.00 (Co-Star #025-078). Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
- o) **Consideration to Approve the Purchase and Install of Reading Classic Aluminum Utility Body and Hydraulic Power Unit from Sabre Equipment in the Amount of \$44,091.00 (Co-Star #025-078)** – Mr. Reese made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fagert, for the purchase and install of Reading Classic Aluminum Utility Body and Hydraulic Power Unit from Sabre Equipment in the amount of \$44,091.00 (Co-Star #025-078). Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
- p) **Consideration to Appoint a Member to the Hempfield Township Planning Commission** – Mr. Fagert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Silvis to appoint John Anderson of 29 Adrian Drive, Greensburg, to the Hempfield Township Planning Commission. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
- q) **Consideration to Approve the Following Emergency Service Applications as Members of the Hempfield Township Bureau of Fire, to be Effective Upon the Township Receiving a Physical Report from the Township Physician Stating that the Individual is Capable of Performing Activities Related to the Appointed Position and Successful Criminal History and Act 153 Clearance Requirements** – Mr. Reese made a motion, seconded by Mr. Logan, to approve the following emergency service applications as members of the Hempfield Township Bureau of Fire, to be effective upon the Township receiving a physical report from the Township physician stating that the individual is capable of performing activities related to the appointed position and successful criminal history and Act 153 Clearance requirements: James Durso, Senior Firefighter; Daniel Hixson, Senior Firefighter; Steven Pegg, Senior Firefighter; and Joshua Zorn, Senior Firefighter. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
- r) **Consideration to Send the Township Solicitor to the Hempfield Township Zoning Hearing Board Meeting on March 14th, 2017 to Protect the Interests of the Township Regarding the Proposed Construction of a Cell Phone Tower in the Area of Baltzer Meyer Pike and Fort Allen** – Mr. Reese made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fagert, to send the Township solicitor to the Hempfield Township Zoning Hearing Board meeting on March 14th, 2017 to protect the interests of the Township regarding the proposed construction of a cell phone tower in the area of Baltzer Meyer Pike and Fort Allen. Vote: 4-Yes. Mr. Silvis – Abstained. Motion carried.

14. OLD BUSINESS: None

15. NEW BUSINESS: None

16. PROCLAMATIONS: None

17. SUPERVISORS' COMMENTS:

Supervisor Tom Logan – No comment.

Supervisor George Reese – No comment.

Supervisor Jerry Fagert – No comment.

Supervisor John Silvis – Mr. Silvis said that he loves Hempfield Township and the people who live here and that he would never do anything to hurt anyone or the Township.

Supervisor Doug Weimer –Mr. Weimer thanked everyone for attending the meeting, asked them to come back next month, and have a safe ride home.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Weimer adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary