

HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**REGULAR MEETING &
RE-ZONING HEARING FOR LMJ PARTNERS, LP**

MAY 28, 2019

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

A. 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 George Reese, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Members Present: Mr. George Reese
Mr. John Silvis
Mr. Rob Ritson

Mr. Doug Weimer
Mr. Tom Logan

Staff Present: Mr. Scott Avolio
Mr. Jason Winters
Mr. Doug Cisco
Mr. Patrick Karnash
Mr. James Shaw

Mrs. Denise Rosak
Mrs. Melanie Phillips
Mr. Dan Schmitt
Mr. Aaron Siko
Mr. Tony Kovacic

B. HEARING:

1. **Zone Change for LMJ Partners LP for Properties 50-22-04-0-020 & 109 from Suburban Residential (SR) to Regional Commercial (RC)**

RE-ZONING HEARING FOR LMJ PARTNERS, LP

The hearing of the Hempfield Township Board of Supervisors, held at the Hempfield Township Municipal Building, was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Chairman George Reese. Since we have a hearing tonight, I will turn the meeting over to our solicitor, Scott Avolio.

Solicitor Avolio: Yes, Chairman Reese. The first matter for the Board's consideration is a zone change hearing of LMJ Partners, LP, specifically for the properties Tax Map 50-22-04-0-020 and 50-22-04-0-109. The requested change is from Suburban Residential (SR) to Regional Commercial (RC). Is anybody present for LMJ Partners, LP?

Audience: Yes.

Solicitor Avolio: Would one of you like to approach to briefly provide to the Board what your proposed change request is. I'll swear you in because this is a hearing. Raise your right hand please. So to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth so help you God?

Mr. Kourniotis: I do.

Solicitor Avolio: Thank you.

Mr. Kourniotis: My name is Greg Kourniotis. I am with KU Resources, the engineering company who prepared the information. I have some handouts, which may make it a little bit easier.

Solicitor Avolio: Give those to the Supervisors please.

Mr. Kourniotis: I didn't anticipate the entire group.

Solicitor Avolio: To those five (5) will be sufficient. The staff has had an opportunity to review this already.

Mr. Kourniotis: Okay. What you have in front of you are two (2) exhibits of the existing conditions of the property that we are requesting the re-zoning on and the second page would be what we are asking for the zoning change to occur. The property is owned by LMJ Partners and their property is between Business 30 and Old Route 30. It is a vacant piece of ground right now. There are some cars that are located on it. It is behind the Sheetz and, I believe it is Red Lobster on the corner. So, what we are requesting, if you take a look there on the first page, there is a zag bar which attaches the properties in the clear unshaded area and there are two (2) that we are asking for the rezoning on. The rezoning is not going to be a hardship in the area because all of the surrounding area from that point out to Route 30, Business 30, is zoned currently the same way. So, there is not spot zoning at this point and it would be more conducive for the properties to be attached since they are currently owned by the same property owners. I guess if there are any questions that you may have?

Supervisor Ritson: I have one question. On the smaller shaded property, is that the one you land hooked or both are land hooked to the larger property?

Mr. Kourniotis: There's two (2) that are land hooked.

Supervisor Ritson: Okay. I couldn't see it. It's small.

Mr. Kourniotis approached the stage to Supervisor Ritson.

Supervisor Ritson: Is this the one right here?

Mr. Kourniotis: Yes. That is land hooked and that is and these are all the same property owners as well. Here are some photographs of what is currently going on. This looking from Route 30, up towards this property there and this is a little bit of a bigger one.

Supervisor Ritson: So, there are houses on that property?

Mr. Kourniotis: Currently, I believe, one is an apartment. Yes. Those are both single family homes.

Audience Member: One was operating as a business.

Mr. Kourniotis: The adjacent property has an apartment.

Solicitor Avolio: Any other questions of the Board?

Supervisor Reese: No. I don't have any. Anybody else have any questions? Doug?

Supervisor Weimer: No. I have none

Supervisor Reese: Tom?

Supervisor Logan: No. I'm good.

Supervisor Reese: John?

Supervisor Silvis: No.

Supervisor Reese: Rob?

Supervisor Ritson: No.

Solicitor Avolio: Thank you sirs. Anybody else here to provide testimony to the proposed new zoning hearing? Mr. Chairman, no one else reports to want to testify. I would ask that Pat Karnash just provide for the record the posting and mailing dates of the property.

Mr. Karnash: Notices were mailed out to adjacent properties on April 24th, 2019. The zone change was advertised in the Tribune Review on May 13th and May 21st and the properties themselves were posted on May 16th of 2019.

Solicitor Avolio: With that, if there's no further questions, I'd close the hearing on the re-zoning matter for LMJ Partners, LP.

Supervisor Reese: Okay.

Mr. Kourniotis: Thank you.

Re-Zone Hearing for LMJ Partners, LP Closed at 7:07 P.M.

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

1. **Alfred Crimboli** – Mr. Crimboli of 121 Possum Hollow Road begged for the Township's assistance in clearing out Little Sewickley Creek that is blocked up with trees and causing flooding to the roadway and also the school bus garage. In addition, Mr. Crimboli requested the Township Engineer, Dan Schmitt, to assist him with options available in constructing a building for his tractor on his property. Furthermore, he asked for signage for Possum Hollow

Road and Edna Road. In another matter, Mr. Crimboli asked for a reduction to the four (4) ton weight limit to the bridge on Rocky Mountain Road because his tractor weighs more than four (4) ton. Mr. Winters was given some photos by Mr. Crimboli in reference to his comments. The Township will look into Mr. Crimboli's concerns and get back to him.

2. **Heather Manhart** – Ms. Manhart of 98 Rockwood Drive, Irwin, (Rolling Hills area of Hempfield Township), accompanied with Justin Kosmann of 100 Rockwood Drive; and Nancy Wargo of 123 Rockwood Avenue; expressed their public safety concerns about the excessive speeding on Corbett Avenue in Rolling Hills. Supervisor Reese advised the residents of Rockwood Drive to reach out to the Township Manager, Jason Winters, for their point of contact to look into their concerns.
3. **Melissa Colarusso** – Ms. Colarusso of 287 Old Route 30, Greensburg, advised that she owns property that is going to be directly affected by the LMJ Partners LP proposed zoning change. She questioned the plans of the developer for the property. Ms. Colarusso explained that her property adjoins two (2) of the parcels that LMJ Partners LP currently owns where there is no maintenance whatsoever being done. She stated that she has been mowing the grass on these properties (over 2 ½ acres) for over four (4) years. Ms. Colarusso expressed concerns with the affect the proposed development may have on the water table and the traffic on Old Route 30. Lastly, Ms. Colarusso commented that with the proposed changes to Westmoreland Mall, the traffic concerns are a serious public safety issue.
4. **Patrick Provident** – Mr. Provident of 287 Old Route 30, Greensburg, advised the Board of Supervisors that he has been maintaining the LMJ Partners LP property which abuts his property. He is concerned how the re-zoning of the proposed development will affect his residential property, should a garage possibly be constructed.
5. **Robert Stokes** – Mr. Stokes of 104 Rockwood Avenue, Irwin, (Rolling Hills area) advised the Board that there is a public safety issue on Rockwood Drive in addition to the speeding, and that is the inability of emergency vehicles to access the properties due to parking problems. Mr. Stokes will reach out to the Township Manager, Jason Winters, regarding this matter.
6. **Jihan Asrid** – Ms. Asrid of 292 Old Route 30, Greensburg, expressed her concerns about the proposed LMJ Partners LP zoning change whereas its affect on the Old Route 30 traffic and the water table. She said that area does not have public water but rather well water. Ms. Asrid questioned if a possible garage is constructed on the property, where the chemicals will drain so as not to affect the water table.

D. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:

1. **May 22, 2019 – Legal & Personnel Matters**
2. **May 23, 2019 – Personnel Matters**

Supervisor Reese advised that there were executive sessions conducted as follows: May 22, 2019, legal and personnel matters; and May 23, 2019, personnel matters.

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. **Consideration to Approve the Minutes from the April 22, 2019 Hempfield Township Board of Supervisors' Monthly Meeting** – Supervisor Ritson made a motion, seconded by

Supervisor Silvis, to approve the minutes of the supervisors' April 22, 2019 monthly meeting.
Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

F. STAFF REPORTS:

1. **Jason Winters, Township Manager** – In addition to his report provided at last Wednesday's public work session, he noted to the Board of Supervisors as follows:
 - a. **Filming on Possum Hollow Road** – There will be an up-coming filming on Possum Hollow Road for a Netflix show. The affected portion of this road will be closed to thru traffic but local traffic and emergency vehicles will be allowed access. Residents in the immediate area and the Township have been informed. Mr. Winters said that he will visit the site to make sure all appropriate measures are being fulfilled.
 - b. **Advanced Disposal Grass Clippings Policy** – Advanced Disposal informed the Township that they have a four (4) bag limit for grass clippings per week, which was a policy change that they made without any notification to the Township. Advanced Disposal explained that they consider yard waste in the same category as leaf waste, which has specific collection schedule in the spring and fall so there was never a limit in the past. Mr. Winters advised the Board of Supervisors that there is nothing in the contract that mentions anything about this policy. He told the Board that he will meet with Mr. Avolio to thoroughly review the contract and report back with their findings at the June meeting.
2. **Anthony Kovacic, Director of Emergency Services** – Mr. Kovacic highlighted the following to the Board of Supervisors:
 - a. **ISO Rating** – Many hours being spent continuing the work on the ISO Rating for review of the next grading.
 - b. **Essentials Class** – Over a dozen new recruits participating in the Essentials Training Class in the HEMA building this evening.
3. **Melanie Phillips, Director of Finance** – Mrs. Phillips updated the Board of Supervisors as follows:
 - a. **Revenues and Expenditures** – Revenues and expenditures are exactly where they should be at this time.
 - b. **Fixed Cost Trends Report** – The fixed cost trends report has been submitted to the Board on the salaries and benefits.
 - c. **Comcast** – The Board was provided with an update on the negotiations with Comcast on the franchise fee agreement.
4. **Doug Cisco, Director of Public Works** – Mr. Cisco noted the following to the Board:
 - a. **Public Works Report** – Activity of the Public Works Department include hot mix prep in the Luxor area and on Union Cemetery; Majority of the work last month was out at Hempfield Park encompassing the bridge replacement, new drainage project, new parking lot, and some additional paving. In addition, activities include scheduling restoration and base repair work through the Township. Lastly, an "Action Item" later on in the agenda is

for the sale of the old sweeper and welder which was conducted through the Municibid auction site.

5. **Aaron Siko, Director of Parks & Recreation** – Mr. Siko advised as follow:
 - a. **Amphitheater** – Grand opening of the new amphitheater at the Township Park took place on Saturday, May 18th, 2019. The weather was great and the event was very well attended.
 - b. **Summer Day Camps** – The summer day camps are going very well.
 - c. **Pavilion A** – The first rental for the improved Pavilion A is scheduled for Saturday, June 1st, 2019.

6. **Dan Schmitt, Township Engineer** – Mr. Schmitt advised as the following to the Board of Supervisors:
 - a. **Rolling Hills Speeding Concerns** – The Township staff will meet with residents of Rolling Hills in regards to their speeding concerns and options available to possibly address the issues.

 - b. **Stop Sign Request for Forbes Trail Road at Fetters Road** – There are warrants and justifications in order to erect a stop sign including available site distance. In addition, where minor roads enter onto a major road, that being Fetters Road (which services two (2) homes) onto Forbes Trail Road, there would be justification for a stop sign to be placed, wherein one already exists. However, for traffic along Forbes Trail Road, which is a major through road, there are very limited justifications for stop signs. Unfortunately, in this situation, Mr. Schmitt advised that there is very limited site distance with regards to Fetters Road. Although it is kind of frowned upon to put a stop sign on major roads themselves, he said in this instance he believes it is warranted should there be no options available with regards to improving the site distance. Relative to whether or not there could be improvements to the site distance, he said that would involve consideration in shaving some hillside on Forbes Trail Road necessitating permission from the property owners that would be affected. Another concern is that there are overhead electrical wires which would involve relocating the utilities and boring. Mr. Schmitt said the question really would be cost, as far as relocation of those utilities being a possibility and if so, the Township, would have to bore them, as well as the actual removing of the hillside in order to improve the site distance. He said should the Board want to consider improving the site distance option a little further, his office can do that. However, Mr. Schmitt said that as it currently exists, in the current nature and the layout of the road and the topography there, a stop sign is warranted based on the site distance.

7. **James Shaw, Director of Code & Safety** – Mr. Shaw advised the Board as follows:
 - a. **Speed Trailer** – Relative to the higher speeds registering on the speed trailer, the response from the manufacturer is that they are more than likely just ghost readings and that unfortunately, there is no calibration to correct it at this time. In another matter, Mr. Shaw said that the Rolling Hills area will be added to the list to have the speed trailer situated on. Also, he advised the Board of Supervisors that he will be glad to reach out to Pennsylvania State Police to request the conduction of the appropriate speed enforcement. Supervisor Ritson asked Mr. Shaw to report back to the Board of Supervisors the action plan designed for addressing the public safety concerns in Rolling Hills.

- b. **RFP to Advertise for the Grant Administrator and Grant Manager Positions for the SAFER Grant** – An “Action Item” on the agenda for consideration by the Board is to advertise the RFP for the grant administrator and grant manager positions for the SAFER Grant.

8. **Patrick Karnash, Planning Coordinator** – Mr. Karnash commented as follows:

- a. **Plan Approval Considerations for Subdivisions** – Action Items on the agenda include consideration of plan approvals for the Woloshun Consolidation Plan; McLaughlin Subdivision; and the Helmetzi Plan.

9. **Scott Avolio, Township Solicitor** – Mr. Avolio advised the Board of Supervisors as follows:

- a. **Zoning Change** – Generally, with the circumstances of rezoning, he said, it is a purely legislative function and while the questions of development have an impact, they are not typically what is a matter for rezoning purposes. Likewise, as was testified, considerations for spot zoning are always presents; however, the Pennsylvania courts determined that spot zoning occurs by addition; therefore, changing a zone to another zone that would spot not by deduction where you attach it to an existing zone.
- b. **Outside Vending Areas at Home Depot and Lowes** – Mr. Avolio said he has been working with Mr. Karnash, Mr. Winters, and Mr. Shaw on outside seasonal vending areas in both the Home Depot and Lowes shopping centers that are creating serious public safety concerns and violations of their approved site plans. Mr. Karnash added that the Home Depot did receive variances to their original site plan to address the seasonal vending areas; however, they are in violation of those variances. In regards to Lowes, they never made application for any variances to their original site plan. Mr. Karnash said that the necessary letters will be sent to both facilities to remedy the cited violations.

G. TREASURER’S REPORT:

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

H. PAYMENT OF BILLS:

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

1.	General Fund	\$ 978,660.29	2.	Bond Issue	\$ 45,670.43
3.	Pop Fund	\$ 62.00	4.	Light District	\$ 10,087.04
5.	Recreation	\$ 55.00			

Supervisor Ritson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Silvis, to approve Item No. 6 under Payment of Bills for Carbon VFD in the amount of \$4,754.97. Vote: 4-Yes. Supervisor Reese – Abstained. Motion carried.

I. SCHEDULING OF HEARINGS:

- 1. **None**

J. DECISIONS FROM HEARINGS:

1. Consideration to Approve Ordinance No. 2019-01; Approving the Zone Change for LMJ Partners LP for Properties 50-22-04-0-020 & 109 from Suburban Residential to Regional Commercial :

Supervisor Ritson: On the bottom of this, Patrick, it says LMJ Partners LP, Smail Ford Lincoln Dealership. I know we can't discuss development but, am I making an assumption there? Okay? My question is we are at corridor residential right down the road at the intersection of Georges Station Road and Route 30 and we are jumping from a Suburban Residential to the Regional Commercial District. You know, the parcels themselves, I understand, are not significantly the size where it could be an individual use but I am looking at access in particular. In a planning perspective, would you say that, you know, this would make or you would see a potential access from Old Route 30 onto that property in any future development?

Mr. Karnash: There could be.

Supervisor Ritson: Could you give me the real quick summary on the uses under Suburban Residential verses the Regional Commercial?

Mr. Karnash: Suburban Residential, basically, allows single and double family homes to exist and that's pretty much it. Regional Commercial is the highest level of commercial zoning so for that it allows the most commercial uses. We are not talking about industrial uses but we are talking sales, any sort of retail facilities, restaurants, anything that you could imagine that would be that could be put in around the mall area would then, for that area, also be allowed.

Supervisor Ritson: Now, would there be buffering requirements for the Suburban Residential properties that abut the Regional Commercial?

Mr. Karnash: There would be, yes.

Supervisor Ritson: You don't know those off of the top of your head do you?

Mr. Karnash: I do not.

Supervisor Ritson: I would assume it would be a little larger.

Mr. Karnash: Yes. We could pull those up. First of all, the first things that is listed in buffering is that there are specific plantings that have to be put in place, again, to allow for that help in buffering. That is something that we put into the ordinance a few years ago to allow to have them.

Supervisor Ritson: Scott, essentially, it's a split zone property. Right? LMJ owns a larger tract of ground that is land hooked that is Regional Commercial, land hooked to two (2) smaller parcels that are Suburban Residential?

Mr. Avolio: Correct. As it exists now.

Supervisor Ritson: The existing Regional Commercial could be developed in its current and those two (2) parcels could just, for whatever reason ...

Mr. Avolio: It's the chicken or the egg though because we are not considering development. We are considering rezoning but they would be...

Supervisor Ritson: Well, I guess by restrictions on what that development would be on the existing larger tract that's Regional Commercial, there could still be those allowable uses --- those allowable uses still be developed even without those two (2) smaller tracts. Those two (2) smaller tracts are not essential to the overall parcel I guess is my question.

Mr. Avolio: Yes, other than the implications of setbacks and things like that which... So, the Regional Commercial is a split zone. You can use the uses on Regional Commercial. The real affect in a split zone is when you hit those areas for buffering and setbacks. So, again, if you pulled those numbers, if you are looking at that parcel, that could affect the level to which you could develop abutting those parcels.

Supervisor Ritson: My biggest concern is, and I will just share this with the Board, that there are two (2) parcels that are Suburban Residential and then there is an X amount of feet that goes back in to existing Regional Commercial that has frontage on Old Route 30 before it again hits the other two (2) Suburban Residential tracts of ground. You know that X amount of frontage there from an access standpoint, again, it could be developed at right now, I guess that's what Scott's answer to me was, but I get it. You can't create a bad through subtraction but it seems as though we are kind of --- who is left is the problem.

Mr. Avolio: It is not spot zoning when you add to another, it is when you deduct from another because that's what you are doing here. You are deducting the area of SR to add to RC. That is permitted by law. Even though it creates a smaller spot of Suburban Residential. But it is permitted.

Mr. Karnash: The minimum side yard setback for any Regional Commercial property is 15 feet now that's going to be added to the landscaping buffer, which I am going to get to in a moment. The rear yard setback is 50 feet and the maximum coverage is 60 percent coverage of that lot. So then, whenever we move back to buffering requirements, there's a large chart and I can provide, it gives an either an additional 10 feet or 15 feet of landscaping buffer between them and it gives specific plantings therein to break up the line.

Supervisor Ritson: They mentioned that there are cars there now. Is that being actively used? Are there cars setting in the Regional Commercial tract right now?

Mr. Karnash: Yes. Up towards Route 30.

Supervisor Ritson: Okay. Closer to Route 30?

Mr. Karnash: Yes, sir.

Supervisor Ritson: So, there would be no need for a buffering at that point because ... Is that a lease arrangement or how does that work?

Mr. Karnash: They own up to Route 30 currently.

Supervisor Ritson: So, LMJ is Smail?

Mr. Karnash: As far as a business thing.

Supervisor Ritson: I'm trying to get my hands on it. That's all.

Supervisor Silvis: Are those cars Small cars?

Mr. Karnash: I can't answer that question but I would assume.

Supervisor Weimer made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Logan, to approve Ordinance No. 2019-01. Vote: 4-Yes. Supervisor Ritson – No. Motion carried.

K. SUBDIVISION PLANS:

1. **Consideration to Approve Resolution #2019-78; Granting Final Approval for the Woloshun Consolidation Plan – Plan No. 20190190 – Location: Appleton Lane – Purpose: Consolidating lots into one in order to build new residence – Planning Commission Recommendation: Approval 6-0** – Supervisor Ritson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Logan, to approve Resolution #2019-78. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
2. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2019-79; Granting Final Conditional Approval for the McLaughlin Subdivision – Plan No. 20190082 – Location: Cody Lane – Purpose: Subdividing one lot into three for the facilitation of selling all. One lot has an existing home and the other two will be buildable lots – Conditioned Upon: DEP/SEO approval – Planning Commission Recommendation: Approval 6-0** – Supervisor Ritson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Logan, to approve Resolution #2019-79. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
3. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2019-80; Granting Final Approval for the Helmetzi Subdivision – Plan No. 20180105 – Location: Bunchberry Lane – Purpose: Subdividing singular parcel into three so each residence is on its own separate lot – Planning Commission Recommendation: Approval 6-0** – Supervisor Ritson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Logan, to approve Resolution #2019-80. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

L. SITE PLAN:

1. None

M. ITEMS FOR ACTION TO BE TAKEN:

1. **Consideration to Accept the Resignation of Alex Brown from the Vacancy Board** – Supervisor Ritson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Reese, to accept the resignation of Alex Brown from the Vacancy Board. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
2. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2019-81; Which Appoints a Member to the Vacancy Board** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Silvis, to appoint Tom Methven to the Vacancy Board. Vote: 4-Yes. Supervisor Ritson – No. Motion carried.

3. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2019-82; Eliminating the Positions of Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation and One Administrative Assistant Position in the Parks & Recreation Department and Replace with a Facility Coordinator and Sports Coordinator**
– Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Ritson, to approve Resolution No. 2019-82. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
4. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2019-83; Approving the Job Descriptions for the Positions of Sports Coordinator, Facility Coordinator and Property Maintenance Officer** – Supervisor Ritson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Logan, to approve Resolution No. 2019-83. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
5. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2019-84; Appointing Zachary Freeman to the Position of Sports Coordinator at an Annual Salary of \$40,000 with Township Benefits Package** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Ritson, to approve Resolution No. 2019-84. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
6. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2019-85; Appointing Stephanie Scheeren to the Position of Facility Coordinator at an Annual Salary of \$40,000 with Township Benefits Package** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Ritson, to approve Resolution No. 2019-85. Motion carried.
7. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2019-86; Which Establishes Salary Increases for the Following Individuals:**

	Name	Title	Salary
1.	Kristen Hankinson	Program Coordinator	\$40,000.00
2.	Suzanne Herrod	Administrative Assistant	\$33,000.00

Supervisor Weimer made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Ritson, to approve Resolution No. 2019-86. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

8. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2019-87; Appointing Alycia Ferrett to the Position of Property Maintenance Officer at an Annual Salary of \$50,000 with Township Benefits Package** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Ritson, to approve Resolution No. 2019-87. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
9. **Consideration to Authorize the Township Manager to Enter into an Agreement with McDowell Associates to Provide Cyber Insurance Via Travelers for \$2,951.00** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Ritson, to authorize the Township Manager to enter into an agreement with McDowell Associates to provide cyber insurance via Travelers for \$2,951.00. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
10. **Consideration to Authorize the Township Manager to Change the Township’s Life Insurance Policy from Sun Life to the Standard for \$38,628.00** – Supervisor Ritson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Logan, to authorize the Township Manager to change the Township’s life insurance policy from Sun Life to the Standard for \$38,628.00. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

11. **Consideration to Approve the 2019 Parks & Recreation Summer Programming Staff and Seasonal Part-Time Employees as Listed on Exhibit “A”** – Supervisor Ritson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Logan, to approve the 2019 Parks & Recreation Summer Programming Staff and seasonal part-time employees as listed below. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

	Name	Position	Pay Rate Per Hour	New/ Returning
1.	Josh Soles	Facility Attendant	\$11.00	Return
2.	Olivia Fearer	Summer Day Camp Counselor	\$8.50	New
3.	Stacey Walling	Summer Day Camp Counselor	\$8.50	New
4.	Ryan Dunn	Park Maintenance Assistant (Seasonal)	\$9.00	Return
5.	Joseph Alessandro	Park Attendance	\$10.00	Return
6.	Edward DiOrio	Park Attendant	\$10.00	Return
7.	Patrick Lozaw	Park Maintenance Assistant Seasonal)	\$9.00	Return
8.	Ryan Fyalkowski	Park Maintenance Assistant (Seasonal)	\$9.00	Return

12. **Consideration to Authorize the Township Manager to Advertise an RFP for the Westco Fire SAFER Grant Program Manager & Grant Administration** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Reese, to authorize the Township Manager to advertise an RFP for the Westco Fire SAFER Grant Program Manager & Grant Administration. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
13. **Consideration to Approve the Pay Estimate #5 (Final) in the Amount of \$13,777.27 to Ligonier Construction Company for the Holly Drive/Redgrave Drive Culvert Replacement – Contract 1/2018** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Ritson, to approve the Pay Estimate #5 (Final) in the amount of \$13,777.27 to Ligonier Construction Company for the Holly Drive/Redgrave Drive Culvert Replacement – Contract 1/2018. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
14. **Consideration to Authorize the Township Manager to Submit a Westmoreland County Demolition Program Application with the Westmoreland County Redevelopment Authority for the Demolition of 440 Roosevelt Way and Lien the Property** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Reese, to authorize the Township Manager to submit a Westmoreland County Demolition Program Application with the Westmoreland County Redevelopment Authority for the demolition of 440 Roosevelt Way and lien the property. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
15. **Consideration to Authorize the Solicitor to Prepare and Advertise an Ordinance for the Addition of Stop Signs on Forbes Trail Road at Intersection of Fetters Road and Murdock Way** – Supervisor Ritson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Logan, to table this matter for thirty (30) days to determine whether there are any other options available to resolve the issue. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

16. Consideration to Approve Awarding the Following Items Sold Through Municibid:

	Item	Winning Bidder	Bid Amount
1.	2006 Johnston VT650 Vacuum Sweeper	Michael Porpiglia	\$32,100.00
2.	Lincoln 150 Mig Welder	Ify Iwuoha	\$ 310.00

Supervisor Ritson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Logan, to approve awarding the above-listed items sold through Municibid. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

17. 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:

	Name	Position	Fire Department
1.	Tyler J. Bagshaw	Jr. Firefighter	Adamsburg
2.	Jacob W. Ciarkowski	Jr. Firefighter	Grapeville
3.	John E. Detwiler	Sr. Firefighter	Grapeville
4.	Robert F. Keefer	Sr. Firefighter	Bovard
5.	Timothy Masarik	Senior Firefighter	Midway/St. Clair

Supervisor Ritson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Reese, to approve the above-listed 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. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

N. OLD BUSINESS:

- Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2019-31; Authorizing the Right-of-Way Agreement for Sewage Line Extension to Hempfield Park** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Reese, to approve Resolution No. 2019-31. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

O. NEW BUSINESS:

- Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2019-88; Authorizing the Township Manager to Apply for Hempfield Township Bureau of Fire National Fire Incident Reporting System Number** – Supervisor Ritson said that he would like to add an item to “New Business” to consider approving Resolution No. 2019-88. Supervisor Reese asked if the members of the Board of Supervisors or anyone in the audience had any comment on the item to be added to the agenda. No comments received. Supervisor Ritson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Logan, to approve Resolution No. 2019-88. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

P. PROCLAMATIONS:

1. None

Q. SUPERVISORS' COMMENTS:

Supervisor John Silvis – Supervisor Silvis commented as follows: “I want to commend Tony for his class tonight for all of the new trainees. I want to commend the staff for the fine job out at the amphitheater. It ceases to amaze me how that park has developed. Mazeroski field last year and the Rec center and now the amphitheater. Public works did a good job with the bridge and paving. It is like a different place. Thanks for all of your help.”

Supervisor Doug Weimer – Supervisor Weimer commented as follows: “Excited to hear that we have a number of young folks signing up to go through the classes and putting themselves to volunteering as firefighters. Happy to see that that program seems to be doing well and is growing and reaching others. I know we have a company that we now have entered into an agreement with to do advertising and marketing so it should only grow each month now as we move forward. So hopefully, that’s the case. Also, I want to commend the staff and everyone that was involved with the opening of our new amphitheater this year. The Smail Amphitheater, that we were there for , ribbon cutting was a fantastic event. We had a lovely day and it was just gorgeous weather. I know that was an overwhelming crowd there so things all seemed to come together. It was great to have some community partners that help us to bring that amenity to our park and to be able to have a place for us to gather as a community. So, I look forward to the events that are planned out there all summer. I know that there are some evolving changes to that schedule, I think, Aaron you had mentioned, but we will be releasing that to the public as soon as we can. So, there are a variety of different activities, not just bands and music, but things that will be there for the kids. I think there’s a movie night coming up and other things. It’s great to see it used that way. And yes, with all of the final touches that are being done at the park, it’s just an amazing place. It’s grown and looking forward to the other amenities like the dog park that will possibly get started sometime this year.”

Supervisor Rob Ritson – Supervisor Ritson commented as follows: “I want to address. Dan, does Mr. Crimboli have an issue? You know, I’ve seen the pictures that he showed me. That stream is pretty blocked up. It’s not close enough to one of our bridge culverts to where we have that 50 foot leeway. Might there be a concern? That was the targeted area for us under MS4, wasn’t it?” Mr. Schmitt said it may or it may not be. Supervisor Ritson asked, “Can we take a look at that?” Mr. Schmitt said yes. Supervisor Ritson: “That flooding area. I know that area was an MS4.” Mr. Schmitt said, “I didn’t see the photos themselves but if it is a structure on Rocky Mountain, we have the ability to go 50 feet up stream and down stream for repairing or cleaning up and maintaining. Beyond that, we don’t own. It’s the property owner’s ownership at that point in the Commonwealth of PA with it being a stream.” Supervisor Ritson asked, “Did we reduce the tonnage on that bridge on Rocky Mountain?” Mr. Schmitt said, “Yes. They did a bridge inspection there. That’s under the NBIS Bridge Inspection. You have to go through a whole structural analysis and yes, we had to reduce the weight limit based on the structural adequacy of the facility itself. I know he mentioned some things about replacement and what not but we have to go through the PennDot 12-Year Bridge Program. We’re in competition with all of the structures in Southwestern PA and for that limited traffic that for that particular location, we’re up against the wall as far as getting money.” Supervisor Ritson said, “Lastly, we didn’t discuss it tonight but we, I believe, that we are going to dedicate the June work session to a detailed public conversation related to our movement forward on the fire services.” Mr. Winters said: “Correct. We’re looking to start the June work session at 6 p.m. so that we can get... Supervisor Reese said,

“We’ll take care of regular business first. And then focus on the fire.” Supervisor Ritson said, “Yes. My comments would be for the fire and any other individuals that are interested – the debate is a good one. We’ve got work to do. We really got to get to it and so this next meeting will be one where you know you’ll be able to participate in listening to the Board’s debate on the issue and interaction with staff related to how and what our ideas are moving forward and I think we are getting close enough to where we’ve got a plan or putting a plan together, but I just wanted to let everybody know that. So, staff reports will be abbreviated at that meeting.”

Supervisor Tom Logan – Supervisor Logan said, “Everybody has pretty well covered a lot of comments here in Supervisors’ comments. I would just add to it that we seem to be airing again our little window of severe weather patterns again. So be careful about the next couple of days. Everybody be safe out there.”

Supervisor George Reese – Supervisor Reese said, “To the residents of Rockwood and Corbett – all of you folks sitting there, you know, the safety of our residents is everything. We don’t know these things are going on unless you bring it to our attention. I thank you for bringing that here. I have full confidence in our staff that they are going to evaluate this and we are going to work towards a better, safer solution for in your neighborhood. So, thank you and keep in touch.”

R. ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Reese adjourned the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary