

August 12, 2020
Clinton Township Board of Supervisors Meeting

The regular August meeting of the Clinton Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman James Zefran on August 12, 2020 at 7:00 PM at the Clinton Township municipal building garage for purposes of social distancing. Chairman James Zefran, and Vice Chair Brian Non were in attendance. Supervisor Russell Curtis attended electronically via phone. Solicitor Jeffrey Treat was also in attendance.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

B. Hearing Check

C. Minutes of Regular Meeting July 8, 2020 – Chair Zefran made a motion, seconded Vice Chair Non by to accept the minutes of the regular July 8, 2020 meeting. All voted yes. The motion carried.

A. Public Comment – Ray Vogt stated to Vice Chair Non that the condition of Town Hill Road needs grading and dust control on the Dyberry Township side. While it is only roughly 350 feet in question, he wondered if Road Master Non could see that it was done and pass the expense on to Dyberry Township. Solicitor Treat said that as long as it was agreed upon ahead of time, that was acceptable practice. Ken Coles expressed concern that Browndale Fire Company purchased a ladder truck without input from the Township Supervisors. He also expressed dismay that the Supervisors voted to give \$10,000 of citizen tax money to the fire company after a survey was taken regarding a fire tax. It was noted that the sewer was backed up and Koberlein came and unplugged it. Chair Zefran asked that the crosswalk be painted near the Browndale sidewalk. He also said that the township was looking into solar lighted signs for the crosswalk and that the railing is being fabricated. When asked, he stated that another multimodal grant is being written for Forest City to extend the sidewalk beyond Clinton Township boundaries.

B. Correspondence

- a. **Ken Swan has invited Supervisors to the Elk Lake Association Annual General Meeting, Saturday, August 15, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at the pavilion located on Sensentine Road on the Northeast corner of Elk Lake.** - Noted
- b. **The Center for Dirt and Gravel Road Studies will do a mixture of in-person and remote trainings over the coming months. Both will include a 5-year certification that allows potential grant applicants to apply for DGLVR funding. A copy of this email has been forwarded to the Supervisors.** – Vice Chair Non said that his training expiration is coming. Engineer Weinberger said that he was slated for doing the training in April but that it had been cancelled and that he would do the training.
- c. **Wayne County Emergency Management Agency invites all EMCs and Elected Officials to attend the quarterly training session on August 19, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the EOC Room at Volunteer Drive Complex, 43 Volunteer Drive, Honesdale, PA.** - Noted
- d. **Complete the 2020 Census to make sure you are counted and your community get the resources and representation it deserves. Go to www.2020census.gov or call 1.844.330.2020 to complete your census now.** – This was noted, and Chair Zefran stated how important this was.

C. Road Master Report – Road Master and Vice Chair Non gave an oral Road Master report. He stated that Mr. Pevic lives on Maple Hill Road and wants school bus stop signs. Vice Chair Non stated that he, himself, had mix feelings about it. Chair Zefran said that he was in favor of "School Bus Stop Ahead" signs. Supervisor Curtis interjected that Non must notify PennDOT and that it's his understanding that the school will buy the sign and the state will put them up. Vice Chair Non said that he would call on that. Vice Chair Non continued his report stating that Bill Pykus will start work on Ravnikar Road. He then proposed hiring Derrick Gibbon. Vice Chair Non made a motion, seconded by Chair Zefran to hire Derrick Gibbon of South Canaan as a regular Road Worker on a 60-day probationary period. All voted

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yes. The motion carried. Concern was brought up regarding CDDG Grant work completed on Burns Road in 2019 that is not holding up well. Chair Zefran said that he had spoken to the Redevelopment Authority and that if it is believed that Leeward did substandard work, Leeward should come out and look. Attorney Treat said that this should be done before Clinton Township goes against the performance bond. Chair Zefran asked Attorney Treat to write a letter to Leeward stating that the work was not done to specification. Supervisor Curtis said that the beavers are back and Road Worker Hauenstein said that they had cleaned it out twice recently. Chair Zefran made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Non, to accept the Road Master's report. All voted yes. The motion carried.

- a. Bid Process – Chair Zefran expressed concern that bidding is not being done clearly enough so that we get lots of bids. He asked specifically what is being done and does it need improved? Ken Coles said that he has asked for bid packets in the past and gotten nothing. Vice Chair Non said that he would give a copy of the Burns Road Bid packet to Coles after the meeting. Chair Zefran said that the Burns Road advertisement would be posted as a legal ad for bids to be opened at the next meeting.
- D. Work Session for Clinton Twp. Supervisors and Planning Commission on August 27, 2020 at 7:00 pm. - Chair Zefran explained that Mike Wood of Woodland Design met with the Planning Commission last Wednesday, and then made a motion to ask for a work session regarding changes in the Clinton Township SALDO. Residence are welcome to come and input their ideas. Chair Zefran made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Non to have a work session at 7:00 on August 27 at the Clinton Township municipal building. All voted yes. The motion carried.

E. Open Issues

- a. NPDES/MS4 Storm Water – Engineer Weinberger reported that this issue is with storm water discharge and that he was working with Mr. Grella with DEP and he would be applying for a waiver for Clinton Township to be exempt. Previously, he had approved for a waiver at the state level two years ago and that the township had been denied at the federal DEP level. Weinberger is working on a new waiver application.

F. New Business

- a. **Brook Street** – Block Grant Survey – Chair Zefran explained that there was potential to get a block grant to pave Brook Street. *Chair Zefran made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Non to generate a letter to be dropped in Brook St. mailboxes in preparation for the in-person survey.* All voted yes. The motion carried.
- b. **Clinton Township Planning Committee has signed and submitted maps for the Linda Boyer lot additions for Supervisors approval.** – Chair Zefran made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Non to sign the maps following the close of the meeting. All voted yes. The motion carried.

G. Treasurer's Report Including Bills for Payment – Secretary / Treasurer Droppa presented the bills list to be paid. Chair Zefran made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Non to pay all bills. All voted yes. The motion carried.

H. Browndale Fire Department – no member was present

I. Old Business – When questioned about the GlidePath Easement Agreement, Zefran explained that the township would get the agreed upon money when it is signed, but that they may work out details with the persons they are in litigation with and withdraw their offer with Clinton Township. Chair Zefran made a motion that the Supervisors put out Clinton I snow removal for the upcoming winter. The motion failed for the lack of a second. Both Vice Chair Non and Supervisor Curtis expressed their being against the idea.

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J. **Public Comment** – Ann Gardner brought up concerns about the nuisance regarding target practice and fireworks where there are now lots of residents between Browndale and Curtis Valley. Chair Zefran said she should come and share her concerns at the work session for the SALDO. Ken Coles asked for the Supervisors' to write a sternly worded letter regarding concerns with Camp Bonim on Burns Road. The camp shoots off fireworks starting at 11:00 at night and when camp changes sessions up to 7 Greyhound busses and 250 cars block the road, and it is a huge safety concern. Chair Zefran asked Solicitor Jeff Treat to take care of that. Chair Zefran asked about truck traffic on Ravnikar Road, to which Vice Chair Zefran said that he had called both project managers at RHM but they had not gotten back to him. Furthermore, he stated that weight limit is posted and that work is being done at Camp Feedom and they are violating it. Solicitor Treat stated that you can't stop a truck from conducting daily business. Supervisor Curtis said that they would be better off coming up by Forest City, though both bridges are posted at a five-ton limit. Chair Zefran asked Brian to contact them and see what he could do.

K. **Adjournment** – Chair Zefran made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Non to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm. All voted yes. The motion carried.