# TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP BUILDING

Meeting Minutes March 4, 2021 – 7pm

## CALL TO ORDER - 7:00 PM

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Jessica Ahner is recording Amy Leap, Times News is recording

## **ROLL CALL**

Guy Seifert, Chairperson/Treasurer; John Kleintop, Vice-Chairman; Scott Mosier, Supervisor; Thomas Nanovic, Solicitor; Jessica Ahner, Secretary; Carl Faust, Zoning Officer; Greg Haas, Engineer

## APPROVAL OF REPORTS

Towamensing Township Meeting Minutes, February 4, 2021 Meeting- Motion - Scott 2nd-John All in favor-Motion Carried

Bill List and Payroll from February 5-March 3, 2021-Motion-John 2nd-Scott All in favor- Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report as of March 1, 2021 - Motion-Scott 2nd-John All in favor- Motion Carried

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - 5 MINUTE LIMIT:** Please sign the book if you would like to address the Board.

Anne Jenkins, 10 Stable Rd regards to her neighbors Mr. & Mrs. Fink have a lot of time surveilling my property and coming here to the township and insist that you follow the letters of the law and now citing me. I understand my neighbors have a foundation going in and asking for some leniency. I am asking that you treat them as to how you treat me.

Sgt Michael Irons from the State Police wanted to give a brief report what they have been doing the pass couple months. They have been patrolling at the school and have issued many traffic violations. We have investigated nine crashes in January and February some with DUI's. In surrounding Townships there have been 59 for month of January and 36 for month of February so we are working very hard. If you have any questions for me feel free to call the barracks. Board thanked them.

Mike Harris – Here to get Airbnb updates. Issued Citation and Carl signed paperwork March 4<sup>th</sup> being mailed March 5<sup>th</sup>. The rental can continue to operate as normal, next judge will schedule a hearing and will fine him \$12,000. If they do not stop rentals then we would have to file a civil action from the judge and that can take years. Its just litigation. It would be different if it was in commercial but where this Airbnb is it is not. Can we do anything to help? There is a process and we are working it.

Bruce Hackenburg – Here for update on Airbnb next door. Has different neighbors every weekend. Physical address is listed on Airbnb advertisement. In discussion with Mike Harris on 3030 Forest St.

#### PLANS AND SUBDIVISIONS

Taschler Reverse Subdivision to be signed

## **OLD BUSINESS**

BRC Franchise Agreement Atty Nanovic did not hear anything back on that yet. **Guy mad motion to table,** Scott 2<sup>nd</sup> – AIF – Motion Carried

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Appoint Bruce Miller to Planning Commission – Guy made motion to appoint Bruce Miller to planning commission, John 2<sup>nd</sup> – AIF – Motion Carried

Act 108 – Changes to Worker's Compensation Act (Voluteer Fireman) is to cover Fire Company Partipationg members that are non-fireman people that do work there. **Guy makes a motion to approve resolution, Scott** 2<sup>nd</sup> – AIF - Motion Carried

## **HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

No member to report

#### RECREATION COMMITTEE

No member to report

## **ROAD MASTER REPORT:**

Scott reported the crews working cutting brush and fixing pot holes

We are purchasing a new garbage truck estimated deliver November.

Bid packages being sent to Jess and sent out. Opening of bids will be next month. Figure out what we are doing with Frankie & Gallaher St. on list to be paved. Per supervisors we'll figure it out in the next few weeks.

Guy had question on right-a-way by fire company.

Email questions or comments to ttroad@ptd.net

## **ZONING OFFICER REPORT:**

Available in township office

## **SEO REPORT:**

Available in township office

## FIRE COMPANY REPORT:

February's report from Dan Reis

Fire Co. responded to 7 calls:

02/02/2021 – Rescue EMS Incident – Doney RD., Palmerton

02/07/2021 - Motor Vehicle Accident w/ Injuries - Koch Rd, Kunkletown PA

02/13/2021 - Unintentional Alarm System Activation - W Stagecoach Rd, Palmerton PA

02/13/2021 – Chimney or Flue Fire confined to chimney – Maxine Dr, Lehighton PA

02/16/2021 - Motor Vehicle Accident w/ Injuries - Interchange Rd, Lehighton PA

02/18/2021 - Motor Vehicle Accident w/ Injuries - Koch Rd, Kunkletown PA

02/27/2021 - Motor Vehicle Accident w/ no injuries - Spruce Hollow Rd, Palmerton PA

Jessica to send list of garbage addresses to Dan Reis.

Eric needs setback for fire company.

## PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:

Next meeting is March 8, 2021 at 7 p.m.

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Buckeye pipeline cutting brush on pipelines

Palmerton Library thanked us for donation sent.

## **OFFICIALS:**

Next Board of Supervisors Meeting April 1, 2021 at 7 p.m.

## **Zoning Office Hours for March, 2021:**

Thursday, March 4th, 2021 4:00-6:00 Thursday, March 11th, 2021 4:00-6:00 Thursday, March 18th, 2021 4:00-6:00 Monday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 4:00-6:00

Carl Faust, Towamensing Township Zoning & Code Enforcement Officer, can be reached by calling: 570-943-2577. Email: <a href="mailto:bmisinspector@gmail.com">bmisinspector@gmail.com</a>

Motion to adjourn at 7:35 pm by John and seconded by Scott AIF – Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted

Jessica Ahner, Secretary