TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP BUILDING

Meeting Minutes May 13, 2021 – 7pm

Executive Session 6:30 pm - 6:59 pm

CALL TO ORDER - 7:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Jessica Ahner 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, April 1, 2021 Meeting- Motion - Scott 2nd-John All in favor-Motion Carried

Bill List and Payroll from April 1 – May 11, 2021-Motion-Scott 2nd-John All in favor- Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report as of April 30, 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.

Emily Haas – welcomed she was here for history class requirement to shadow a government meeting.

<u>Atty. Feldman & Mr. Vjunichenko</u> – Here to ask township for temporary CO, his house is almost completed. He is having a driveway situation with a neighbor that he needs access through and is trying to resolve. Showed layout of situation of what currently exists. Supervisors said they would have executive session to determine if temporary CO was possible.

<u>Mark Althouse/Mike Fink</u> – Here to voice their concern about Jenkins with upcoming yard sales. Were told to post the no parking signs. Mark thinks that they helped but what do we do when they advertise the Marathon Yard Sale. Mike is happy with what township came up with and hopes it works out. If you see it being advertised, bring it to the township. Also concerned about Airbnb, etc. different people in and out all the time. Township needs advertising proof.

Mike Harris – Update on 3030 Forest Street. The house has been sold. Settlement scheduled for June 7, 2021.

Mike & Crystal Fink – Here to talk about what they are doing with old trailer on their property. We have been issued our demolition permit to start tearing it apart. We have purchased a new trailer to put back on. Applied for permits a few weeks ago and realize the trailer is 12 foot larger than what the other one is. The question is do we still have to go through the Variance if we are 8 foot short of the easement line? Denied permit was mailed to you this morning. So next step is to submit application for Variance and that is the best was to do it. They noted that Becker's will be delivering sometime they think around May 22nd. Getting the trailer so the kids and live in it. Advice is to get variance application together and submitted as soon as you can.

PLANS AND SUBDIVISIONS

Inlet at Alton & Church we do not need to do anything at this point. Greg to e-mail Brian Gasda @ Lehigh Engineering.

OLD BUSINESS

BRC Franchise Agreement Atty Nanovic can BRC can give us free cable but then it deducts from the franchise fee. It has been 10 years since we did new contract. Decided no free cable. Guy Motion that we have a public hearing 6:55pm on June 13th before meeting, Scott 2nd. All In Favor – Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

none

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 Cameras being put in for recycling center Goal for compactors is mid-June Type of Signage will have to have discussion

Email questions or comments to ttroad@ptd.net

ZONING OFFICER REPORT:

Available in township office

SEO REPORT:

Available in township office

FIRE COMPANY REPORT:

April's report from Dan Reis

Fire Co. responded to 18 calls:

04/01/2021 – Smoke/Odor removal – Walnut Dr, Palmerton

04/03/2021 - Motor Vehicle Accident w/ Injuries - Interchange Rd, Palmerton PA

04/12/2021 - Medical Assist, assist EMS crew - Koch Rd, Kunkletown PA

04/13/2021 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew - Spruce Hollow Rd, Palmerton PA

04/15/2021 - Smoke Detector activation due to malfunction - Lake Dr, Lehighton PA

04/17/2021 - Power Line Down - Owl Creek Rd, Lehighton PA

04/20/2021 – Building Fire – Ziegre, Palmerton PA

04/20/2021 – Forest, woods or wildland fire – Interchange Rd., Palmerton PA

04/21/2021 - Motor Vehicle accident w/injuries - Interchange Rd., Palmerton

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04/22/2021 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew - Hickory Rd., Palmerton PA
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04/22/2021 - Special Type of incident, other - Pohopoco Rd., Lehighton PA

04/23/2021 - Smoke detector activation, no fire, unintentional - E James St., Lehighton PA

04/24/2021 - Smoke detector activation, no fire, unintentional – Snyders Rd., Palmerton PA

04/26/2021 – Building Fire – Interchange Rd., Lehighton PA

04/29/2021 - Smoke or Odor removal - Gun Club Rd., Palmerton PA

04/29/2021 - Rescue or EMS Standby - Pohopoco Rd., Palmerton PA

04/30/2021 - Brush or brush and grass, mixture fire - Interchange Rd., Lehighton PA

04/30/2021 – Severe weather or natural disaster standby – 57 Rd., Kunkletown PA

Guy made motion, 2nd by John to approve events for Fire police to help at the following events:

Monday, May 31, 2021 Memorial Day Parade in Palmerton

Saturday, June 5, 2021 Raising the House 5K race in Palmerton

Eric Mentioned an event on July $10^{th} - 75^{th}$ Fire Company Anniversary. Eric or Dan to send info for Jessica to post firetruck on Municibid.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:

Next meeting is a special meeting Monday, May 17, 2021 at 7 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Board declined letter for electricity supplier from American Power & Gas for discount in electric. A thank you letter was sent from Valor House for donation given this year.

OFFICIALS:

Next Board of Supervisors Meeting June 10, 2021 at 7 p.m.

A resident brought John a list of people on a petition that feel strongly about 2nd amendment. Tom Nanovic can get us a sample of ordinance that is toned down on this issue. There are approximately 60 names on petition.

Zoning Office Hours for May, 2021:

Thursday, May 6th, 2021 4:00-6:00 Thursday, May 13th, 2021 4:00-6:00 Tuesday, May 18th, 2021 4:00-6:00 Thursday, May 27th, 2021 4:00-6:00

Carl Faust, Towamensing Township Zoning & Code Enforcement Officer, can be reached by calling:

570-943-2577. Email: bmisinspector@gmail.com

Executive Session 8:05pm to 8:30 pm

Motion to adjourn at 8:30 pm by Guy and seconded by Scott, AIF - Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted, Jessica Ahner, Secretary