

LIMERICK TOWNSHIP - BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 15, 2022
7:01 P.M.

A meeting of the Limerick Township Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, February 15, 2022, in the Public Meeting Room of the Limerick Township Municipal Building, located at 646 W. Ridge Pike, with Kenneth W. Sperring, Jr., Chairman, presiding. This meeting was advertised in The Mercury on January 5, 2022.

Members Present: Supervisors Kenneth W. Sperring, Jr., Michael J. McCloskey, III (arrived at 7:15 P.M.), Kara Shuler, Patrick M. Morroney, and Linda Irwin

Others Present: John J. Iannozzi, Esq., Township Solicitor; Khaled R. Hassan, P.E., Township Engineer; Daniel K. Kerr, Township Manager; Beth F. DiPrete, Assistant Township Manager; Timothy A. Haas, Assistant to the Manager; Greta Martin Washington, Director of Community Planning; Brian Skelton, Chief of Police; Robert Matalavage, Police Lieutenant

Call to Order: Mr. Sperring called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Sperring announced that the meeting is being recorded and live-streamed. He continued by stating the Board met prior to the meeting for matters of real estate and read the following announcements.

Opening Comments/Announcements

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Consideration of Minutes: 2/1/22

Motion was made by Mr. Morroney, and seconded by Ms. Shuler, to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2022, Board of Supervisors' meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments on Agenda Items: None.

Bills List: #4, 1/29/22 through 2/11/22, \$421,139.24.

Motion was made by Ms. Irwin, and seconded by Mr. Morroney, to approve Bills List #4 in the amount of \$421,139.24. Motion passed unanimously.

Monthly Reports: January

Treasurer's Office, Emergency Services Department, Code Services Department,
Public Works Department, Police Department, Parks & Recreation Department

Motion was made by Ms. Irwin, and seconded by Mr. Morroney, to accept the monthly reports for January 2022. Motion passed unanimously.

Subdivision And Land Development

Confirmed Appointments:

Tim Hendricks – Development Proposal: 1301 Main Street (Publicker): The applicant, Tim Hendricks, summarized his proposal to construct three buildings (1,330,224 +/- SF) on the Publicker site. He inquired if the Board supported the use and layout as proposed. The Board expressed their support of the use and layout and recommended Mr. Hendricks contact the PA State Game Lands to garner their feedback on the proposed land swap.

Bill Creeger (Pulte Homes of PA) – Development Proposal: 142 W. Ridge Pike: The applicant's land planner, John Kennedy, and attorney, Bob Brant, presented their overview of the Main Street District, and presented a proposal of a text amendment that would allow for the construction of 110 townhomes at 142 W. Ridge Pike. Mr. Brant clarified that the proposal is not a "By-Right" plan. Mr. Sperring and Mr. Morroney clarified that they are not interested in providing "Spot-Zoning" and expressed their concern of the proposal of homes in proximity to Ridge Pike. Ms. Shuler inquired about lack of open space on the plan. Mr. Brant indicated they will come back with alternate design options that will include open space between Ridge Pike and the homes.

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Development Project:

Name/File No.: Scott Kia Dealership (#21-08)
Location: 82 Buckwalter Road
Review Phase: Preliminary Resolution

Mr. McCloskey stated that the applicant's attorney, Rob Lewis, misspoke at the last meeting. He clarified that the trees were removed by the developer, not PennDOT. Attorney, Robert Tucker, who is a colleague of Rob Lewis, was present and verified Mr. McCloskey's findings.

Motion was made by Mr. McCloskey, and seconded by Ms. Shuler, to approve the Preliminary Resolution for SLD #21-08 (P), granting Preliminary approval for the Scott Kia Dealership SLD project. Motion passed unanimously.

Extension:

Buckman's Lot Line Adjustment (#21-10): Extended to 6/17/22

Motion was made by Ms. Shuler, and seconded by Mr. Morroney, to accept the development time review extension. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Discussion – Grant Applications: Mr. Kerr reviewed 2022 grant program options with the Board. It was the consensus of the Board to focus recreation/planning grants on the Limerick Community Park first, and then playground improvements and last the Comprehensive Plan. Regarding trail/connectivity grants, the Board stated that connecting more neighborhoods to the PECO Trail should be the top priority of grant applications. Mr. McCloskey inquired if there are any parking areas for the PECO trail? Mr. Kerr explained that there is no parking at this time because the PECO trail is not intended to be a destination trail like that of the Perkiomen Creek or Schuylkill River Trail systems.

New Business

Appointment – Deputy Fire Marshal & Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator:

Motion was made by Ms. Shuler, and seconded by Mr. Morroney, to appoint Matthew Markland as Deputy Fire Marshal and Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator for Limerick Township. Motion passed unanimously.

Appointment – Parks & Recreation Committee:

Motion was made by Ms. Irwin, and seconded by Mr. Morroney, to appoint Donna Godfrey to the Limerick Township Parks & Recreation Committee fulfilling a vacancy with term set to expire on December 31, 2022. Motion passed unanimously.

Authorization – Advertise PWD Project #22 – 01: Road Project:

Motion was made by Ms. Shuler, and seconded by Mr. Morroney, to authorize advertisement for PWD Project #22-01, as outlined in Bill Bradford's memo, dated February 8, 2022. Motion passed unanimously.

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Zoning Hearing Board Advisories

ZHB #22-03 Evergreen Development Group, LLC: 350 Evergreen Road: Mr. Kerr provided a history of the property, clarifying that the former tenant did not comply with the conditions of the existing Zoning Hearing Board decision and further explained that violations were sent to the Court in October, but no hearing has been scheduled. He indicated that the use is permitted by right but there are outstanding items required to be resolved to bring the property back into compliance. He concluded by indicating that a new tenant is interested in the property and willing to comply with all Zoning requirements and conditions. Discussion ensued. Mr. McCloskey expressed his frustration with the property owner and clarified his disagreement in allowing a tenant to operate without proper approvals.

Motion was made by Ms. Shuler, and seconded by Ms. Irwin, to remain neutral but authorize the Township Solicitor to send a letter requesting the Zoning Hearing Board members apply the existing conditions to the new application, if approved. Motion passed 4 – 1 with Mr. McCloskey opposing.

ZHB #22-04 Performance Food Centers: 59 Airport Road: The Board briefly discussed the application. It was the consensus of the Board to support the application.

Manager's Report: Mr. Kerr provided an update on: 1. Linfield bridge culvert; 2. PennDOT's progress in fixing the potholes on Lewis Road.

Public Comments:

W. Matthew Lewis (430 Navajo DR.) requested the Board do all they can do to prevent further development along Linfield Road to alleviate traffic volume concerns. Ms. Irwin empathized with Mr. Lewis and stressed the importance of resident feedback to her and the rest of the Board.

Supervisor Comments:

Ms. Irwin expressed her desire to begin planning for the Township's tri-centennial celebration.

Ms. Shuler read a statement honoring the Fire Department members who went above and beyond their call of duty during Hurricane Ida and were awarded an Award of Merit. Recipients listed were Firefighter, Jameson Wendell; Captain, Bob Brock; Firefighter, Mike Kozera; Lieutenant, Tyler Miles; Assistant Chief, Bill Rumler; Lieutenant, Rich Flynn; Engineer, Austin Sergas; Firefighter, Vince Russell; Lieutenant, Scott Miles; Engineer, Ben Andes; Firefighter, Darlene Latchaw; Engineer, Christian Flynn.

Adjournment: motion was made by Mr. Morroney, and seconded by Ms. Shuler, to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Daniel K. Kerr
Township Manager



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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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MANAGER'S REPORT

PUBLIC COMMENTS

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT AVAILABLE NUMBER & MTG DATE: ORD. 410 RES. 14 3/1/2022

**EVERY EFFORT IS MADE TO FOLLOW THIS AGENDA;
HOWEVER, IT IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE**

