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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
January 15, 2024

PRESENT: ROBERT LINE, III, ROB KOLE, JEN DEGAETANO - SUPERVISORS; Larry Barrick, Manager; Marjorie Bear, Assistant Manager/Secretary/Treasurer; Glenn Kelso, Public Works Director; Brandon Brookens, Zoning/Codes Enforcement Officer.

ABSENT: Jason Reichard, Engineer; Christian Miller, Solicitor.

VISITORS: Judy Brough, Harold Cooney, Mike Kennedy, Dan Carroll.

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Kole called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

OPENING ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The DTWP Park and Recreation Board is seeking a volunteer to serve on their Board. Please contact the Township Office at (717) 486-7424 if you are interested in serving.
- The DTWP Planning Commission is seeking a volunteer to serve on their Board. Please contact the Township Office at (717) 486-7424 if you are interested in serving.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Supervisor DeGaetano and seconded by Vice Chairman Line and unanimously passed to approve the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Line and seconded by Supervisor DeGaetano and unanimously passed to approve the January 2, 2024 Organization and Regular meeting minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Line and seconded by Supervisor DeGaetano and unanimously passed to pay the bills for January 15, 2024.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT None

EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORT Report provided

GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT (non-agenda items)

Harold Cooney said he is enjoying receiving the text alerts from the Township. Manager Barrick said there are approximately 40 persons signed up at this time.

PUBLIC HEARINGS None

PLAN REVIEW/CONDITIONAL USE HEARINGS None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution 2024-03 - Food Processing Residuals (FPRs) Regulations update request

A motion was made by Supervisor DeGaetano and seconded by Chairman Kole and unanimously passed to adopt Resolution 2024-03 which urges support from our state legislators, county commissioners, Department of Environmental Protections, Pennsylvania Governor and the Department of Agriculture to update regulations and provide stricter guidelines for the use of Food Processing Residuals (FPRs).

2. Discussion and Direction on Township Policy to Repair or replace mailboxes during snowstorms.

After discussion on the subject, the Board of Supervisors agreed not to set a policy for repairing or replacing mailboxes during snowstorms. The consensus of the Board was to not repair mailboxes, but would like to have flexibility to make repairs if determined necessary on a case by case basis. Staff was directed to include the USPS regulations in the next newsletter to educate the residents on mailbox placement. Judy Brough mentioned that home owners insurance should cover damage to mailboxes and does not feel the Township should be liable for fixing them.

MANAGER'S REPORT Nothing to additional report

ASSISTANT MANAGER'S REPORT Nothing additional to report

TREASURER'S REPORT Nothing additional to report

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT Nothing additional to report

PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works Director Kelso mentioned the small bridge program bridge inspections and the weight restrictions that must be placed on Alexander Spring Road and Cold Springs Road until certain repairs are completed. The restriction of 5 ton that is recommended for Cold Spring Road will have a significant impact on residents, businesses on that road, school buses, garbage trucks, and emergency equipment, etc.

ENGINEER'S REPORT Nothing to report

SOLICITOR'S REPORT Nothing to report

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT None

OLD BUSINESS

1. Food Processing Residuals (FPRs) and Biosolids update –

Mike Kennedy expressed his concern of DEP not regulating the intensity or frequency of FPR applications and suggested new laws are needed. Supervisor DeGaetano gave an update on the meetings that have been held and the continued efforts that have been made on this matter and encouraged the residents to continue filing complaints with all agencies involved, including the Township, County and State.

Dan Carroll questioned how Dickinson Township works with other Townships. Supervisor DeGaetano mentioned organizations such as COG, CCATO and PSATS that are all working jointly on this matter as more Townships are being affected. The Resolution adopted this evening is another step in the process. Mr. Carroll thanked the Board for their efforts.

2. Future of Barnitz Mill Discussion -- This matter will be discussed at the workshop when a priority list is compiled. Chairman Kole said something must be done whether a decision is made to demolish the mill or to use money to stabilize it.

3. Discussion to begin Enforcement of the “No Parking Zone” on Old State Road in Hunters Run – Nothing to report.

4. Solicitor RFQ Discussion and Direction.

Submissions from firms interested in the position are due on January 26th. The Board agreed to set up interviews with the top 2 or 3 candidates for January 31 from 4 – 5 PM, if all candidates and Supervisors are available.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Line and seconded by Supervisor DeGaetano and passed unanimously to adjourn at 6:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie E. Bear

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Asst Manager/Secretary/Treasurer

