

VALLEY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
March 14, 2018

Attendance:

Chairman Gary Derr, Vice-Chairman Walt Rupert, Supervisor Mike Kull and Zoning Officer Suzanne Kuziak. Public was represented by John Fenstermacher, David Fox, Wayne Hildebrand and Danville News Reporter, Karen Blackledge.

Call to Order:

Chairman Gary Derr called the meeting to order @ 7:00 p.m. with all in attendance reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of February made by Walt, 2nd by Gary and motion approved unanimously.

Citizen's Comments:

Wayne Hildebrand requested a Resolution for a sewage planning module for an upcoming subdivision for Christine Fishburn.

Motion to adopt the Resolution #01, made by Mike, 2nd by Walt and motion approved unanimously.

Reports:

(1)

Fire Department –Chief Mike Kull reported that there were 14 incidents which included 4 MVA, 3 fires, 3 gas leaks, 1 EMS assist, 1 Rescue and 2 other.

(2)

Planning Commission – Nothing to Report.

(3)

Solicitor – Nothing to Report.

(4)

Zoning Officer – Suzanne submitted a Zoning Officer report and stated that she had replied to some phone calls and emails. No permits issued.

(5)

Municipal Authority – Nothing to report.

(6)

Road Foreman/Equipment Report – Gary reported that road crew had been working on snow removal, and brush cutting. The minimum allotment of salt has been received. The turbo on the big loader failed. A new one was obtained and will be installed.

Walt talked about a stormwater issue on Sidler Lane. Conservation was notified and there may be funds available to address the issue if needed.

(7)

SEO – No word from Jim Sanders.

Old Business:

A settlement agreement was reached with the 5480 Partners regarding their litigation with the Township. Mike reviewed the terms of the settlement and the Zoning Amendment that will be part of the settlement. There is no money involved with the settlement.

Mike moved that the Township authorize the execution of the draft settlement agreement and release prepared by Township Special Counsel, Michael Crotty, in resolution of the 5480 Partners litigation, in the form as presented. Second by Walt. The motion approved unanimously.

Mike moved that the Township authorize the advertisement of the draft Zoning Ordinance amendment in the form as presented, with a public hearing on it to be scheduled for May 9th, 2018 at 6:30 p.m., and direct that Township Special Counsel Michael Crotty be authorize to forward the same to the reviewing agencies pursuant to the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code. Second by Gary. The motion approved unanimously.

Zoning Officer: A discussion about the Zoning Officer position was held. Walt spoke about the need for a written job description for the Zoning Officer. Mike and Gary did not believe it was necessary since the job is regulated by both the Township Zoning Ordinance and the Municipal Planning Code.

A motion was made by Mike, second by Walt to accept the resignation of Suzanne Kuziak, with the thanks from the Township. The motion approved unamiously.

A motion was made by Mike, second by Gary to hire Fred Shappell Jr. as the Township Zoning Officer. The motion approved unamiously.

New Business:

No other new business.

Approval of Bills:

Motion made by Mike, 2nd by Gary to ratify the payment of Bills from FEB 2018, motion approved unanimously.

Adjournment:

Motion by Walt to adjourn @ 7:45 PM, 2nd by Mike and motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Kull, Valley Township Acting Secretary