

TOWNSHIP OF INDIANA

April 11, 2017

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Indiana was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Darrin Krally with the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held at Indiana Township Town Hall, and recorded on audio cassette.

Supervisors in attendance were Paul Jorgensen, Albert Kaan (attending by telephone), Darrin Krally, Michael Schurko, and Daniel L. Taylor. Also in attendance were Engineer Daniel B. Slagle, Manager Daniel L. Anderson, Public Works Superintendent Larry Smith, Solicitor Gavin Robb, and Recording Secretary Carolyn Kustra.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MARCH 14, 2017, REGULAR MEETING

Mr. Taylor noted the \$100,000 figure in the first line of the last paragraph on Page 5, is missing a zero.

Mr. Taylor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schurko, to approve the March 14, 2017, Regular Meeting Minutes as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS' FORUM

No one asked to be recognized.

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

FOX CHAPEL ESTATES-PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT (PRD)

Board Members had previously seen the proposed Development that includes three styles of town homes. They had requested several changes be made to the plans that were agreed to by the Developer. Steven Victor of Victor Wetzel Associates, told Board Members that the PA Department of Transportation (PENNDOT) will not allow an east bound stop sign on Fox Chapel Road at the proposed entrance to the Fox Chapel Estates PRD. He said a "porkchop" with "right-in", "right-out" access only, could be used at this entrance to Fox Chapel Road. Among other concerns regarding the right turn only scenario, Mr. Schurko expressed concerns that traffic would end up exiting to the right onto Fox Chapel Road, and then travel just far enough to turn around and head in the other direction, thus causing traffic safety concerns. As the plans were displayed by Mr. Victor, Board Members had expected to see the agreed upon changes made to the plans. The requested changes were re-iterated, and no one disagreed. The same modifications requested by the Developer, and discussed upon the Board's first review of the proposal, remained unchanged.

Supervisor Jorgensen expressed concerns that the proposed slopes where trees are to be removed, will be "unstable", or will erode. Mr. Victor said these slopes will be stabilized and seeded, and then trees will be planted; erosion control netting will also be utilized on them. Supervisor Taylor said although trees shown on the plan are at 20 foot centers, it was agreed previously that they should be at 15 foot centers.

After considering the PENNDOT position disallowing the requested stop sign on Fox Chapel Road, it was agreed it would be appropriate to eliminate the Fox Chapel Road access entirely. It was suggested a cul-de-sac be implemented within the plan on the Fox Chapel Road side as well, to provide a turning place for traffic. It was suggested that school bound children could safely wait in the cul-de-sac, and then move street-side to board the school bus on Fox Chapel Road upon its arrival. Board Members felt the location of the cul-de-sac would be better at the current location of the O'Sell driveway.

Mr. Victor said he feels the sharper turns in the proposed roadway within the plan will require the traffic to go slower, and will have a "calming" affect on the traffic. Mr. Jorgensen asked if stop signs and left and right turns were considered during roadway design. Mr. Victor said they were; however this was not thought to be appropriate, and it was felt the traffic could flow more smoothly as proposed. An estimated 630 vehicle trips is projected within the plan daily. It was noted that on-street parking would be prohibited throughout the Development.

Neighboring resident Sharon Hardie, asked if better/more signs could be added to Dorseyville Road, to alert traffic and slow it down. Mr. Victor said he can make this request of the County, and that the Developer will cover the cost.

Board Members agreed they must see amended plans containing all of the agreed upon changes prior to taking action. Among those were closer tree spacing, implementation of a cul-de-sac, inclusion of side walks and guide rails, markings on each parcel affected by the encroachment of "yard" areas into the rear yard set-back notifying the owner of the restrictions, use of fire retardant materials on end units, additional "guest parking" areas, possible safe standing areas for school students, etc. It was also noted that hydrants will be placed within the plan as stipulated by the Township/Fire Department.

Water service within the Development will be provided by Fox Chapel Water Authority. Mr. Victor said the Developer has a sewer availability letter from ALCOSAN; however, Fox Chapel won't allow flow through its lines.

Mark Gumbert of Pine Creek Drive said he feels sight distance is not adequate on Fox Chapel Road for the right-in, right-out access. Linda Massarelli of Pine Creek Drive said she feels locating a bus stop at the crest of the hill on Fox Chapel Road is dangerous.

Sharon Hardie of Dorseyville Road, expressed concerns for speeding traffic on Dorseyville Road, bus traffic, etc. She said she is not sure the road can handle the added traffic, and additional residents to the community. Ms. Hardie was encouraged to attend the Township's public monthly Planning Commission meetings to hear discussions on current proposals. Mr. Anderson said the Township has developed zoning to maintain the integrity of its rural community while allowing a variety of housing structures to be built.

Richard Arnott of Hodil Terrace, suggested drawings or plans for the proposed Fox Chapel Estates be made available to view on the Township website. Mr. Victor agreed to provide the Township with digital drawings to be used on the website.

Mr. Victor agreed it would be best to request another 30 day extension to allow ample time to amend the plans, and re-submit them to the Planning Commission for review.

Mr. Taylor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kaan, to grant a 30 day extension to the Developer as requested, allowing time to make the agreed upon amendments to the Fox Chapel Estates PRD proposal, and re-submit it to the Planning Commission, and to table action by the Board of Supervisors at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

CARRATURA (TRUMBULL)-SITE PLAN

Board Members were presented with a site plan utilizing property owned by Ralph Carratura as a fill site for excess excavated material from the PA Turnpike Roadway and Bridge Reconstruction Project. The site is located north of the PA Turnpike, approximately 0.8 miles west of the Route 910 bridge over the turnpike. The property is zoned "AG" - Agricultural, and is near the border of West Deer Township. Applicant John Nemmer from Trumbull Corporation, who is contracted to do the project was present, as well as Adele Beaves of Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc (CEC).

Mr. Nemmer said they will be widening about 4 ½ more miles of the turnpike. He said this portion of the project is estimated to take about 2 ½ to 3 years. This project will take place in both Indiana and Hampton Townships. No mainline bridge closures will occur with this project. They will be working westbound, from the Township Public Works garage to the Butler interchange. This project is comparable to the Variety Children's site project on McClellan Road in Indianola. Mr. Nemmer said over a million tons of excess waste needs removed. This is why they need the fill site on Carratura's property. Most of the traffic impacted on the turnpike will be in Hampton Township. The project was approved by the Allegheny County Conservation District

Work activities are currently limited to 7:00 am to 6:00 pm, Monday through Friday, and no work is to be done on Sundays or on a legal holiday, unless a waiver is granted by the Township. Mr. Nemmer said they would like to work 24 hours per day/7 days per week, like they did for the Variety Children's project; the Carratura project is in a remote area. It was noted the noise level cannot exceed 60 dB and any lighting must be shielded from the residents. Mr. Curti said there are a few residential homes located on Tree Farm Lane in Indiana Township, but no large developments. Mr. Nemmer said he has made the Code Enforcement Officer of West Deer Township aware of the planned activity as recommended by Mr. Curti. Mr. Slagle said additional updated information is provided in his letter dated April 11, 2017.

Mr. Taylor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jorgensen, to approve the Carratura/Trumbull Site Plan, with the stipulations noted in the Engineer's letter dated April 11, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

EMMERLING PLAZA PHASE III-SITE PLAN

Board Members were presented with a site plan consisting of the construction of a 4,608 sq. ft. building addition. The site is located on the northeastern side of Route 910, approximately 0.1 miles southeast of the intersection with Cove Run Road. The property is zoned "C" - Commercial. Applicant Rick DiBucci of DiBucci & Sons, who currently owns the parcel to contain the proposed building addition known as Emmerling Plaza was in attendance. He said the proposed addition will be 100' x 42' with an 8' porch. It will be constructed on existing pavement.

Mr. Slagle expressed safety concerns relative to an area at the corner of the parking lot next to a steep slope down to the Cove Run Road "spur" area. He said there is nothing there to stop a vehicle from driving over the hill, and said either guide rails or large boulders need to be placed in that location to prevent this.

Mr. Schurko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve the Emmerling Plaza Phase III Site Plan, conditioned upon the Engineer's letter of recommendation, while requiring that a barrier be installed at the corner of the parking lot near the hill as directed by the Engineer. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE-APRIL, 2017

Mr. Jorgensen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve payment of the April, 2017, expenditures as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Payments were to be made from the following funds:

GENERAL:	\$322,203.95	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	\$ 7,371.00
K-9:	\$720.00	DEVELOPERS REC.	0.00
DARE:	\$1039.08	STATE:	\$28,772.44
ROSEDALE RD:	\$1,620.00		
OTTAWA HILLS:	\$ 719.08	<u>PAYROLL:</u>	
MIDDLE RD NO.1	\$1,386.72	PAYROLL ENDING 3/19/17	\$84,601.11
MIDDLE RD NO.2	\$1,002.36	PAYROLL ENDING 3/2/17	<u>\$76,477.86</u>
FAIRVIEW:	\$ 427.21	TOTAL:	\$526,340.81

FINANCIAL REPORTS-MARCH, 2017

Each Board Member had previously received a copy of the "Expenditures and Revenues as Compared to Budget" and "Balance Sheets" for March, 2017.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE-MARCH, 2017

Each Board Member had previously received a copy of the "Accounts Receivable Statement" for March, 2017; copies were placed on file.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business was discussed.

REPORTS

VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES

No report submitted.

CHIEF OF POLICE

Each Board Member was previously presented with copies of the Police Department's written report for March, 2017. A copy was placed on file.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Each Board Member was previously presented with copies of the Code Enforcement Officer's Monthly Report for March, 2017. A copy was placed on file.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT

Each Board Member had previously received a copy of the Public Works Department written report for March, 2017. A copy was placed on file.

ENGINEER

Each Board Member was presented with a copy of the Engineer's written report. A copy was placed on file. Mr. Slagle reviewed his report for the Board.

Mr. Slagle reported preparation of the Highway Occupancy Permit application for the Cove Run Road Spur. Meetings were held with PennDOT and Range Resources to discuss the proposed access road.

Mr. Taylor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jorgensen, authorizing the Manager to sign the Cove Run Road Spur Resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR

Mr. Robb had nothing to report.

MANAGER

Mr. Anderson reported that Meinert Landscaping recently made a contribution of \$5,000 to be equally split between the D.A.R.E. and K-9 Funds. He said the Township was very appreciative of this generous contribution.

Mr. Anderson said Supervisor Taylor will be voting on 2017 Proposed Resolutions, Bylaws Change, and Nominations Report at the upcoming PSATS Conference in Hershey. Board Members were asked to relay their thoughts on those matters to Supervisor Taylor in advance of the Conference.

Mr. Anderson reported that the Township received a \$41,800 dividend check from MRM for Workers' Compensation performance.

Mr. Anderson noted that all Board Members had before them, copies of the 2016 Indiana Township Audit and Financial Report, which has been filed with the DCED as required.

PARK & RECREATION BOARD

No report submitted.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

No report submitted.

SUPERVISORS

MR. JORGENSEN

Mr. Jorgensen had nothing to report.

MR. KAAAN

Mr. Kaan had nothing to report.

MR. TAYLOR

Mr. Taylor had nothing to report.

MR. KRALLY

Mr. Krally had nothing to report.

MR. SCHURKO

Mr. Schurko had nothing to report.

Mr. Taylor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schurko, to accept the foregoing reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

VERIZON-REQUEST FOR FRANCHISE RENEWAL

Mr. Anderson said the Township has been notified of Verizon's interest in renewing its franchise agreement with the Township. He said this will be done collectively through the North Hills COG.

NEW BUSINESS

POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2017-03, UPDATING AVJSA ACT 537 PLAN

Each Board Member had previously received a copy of proposed Resolution 2017-03, authorizing the Allegheny Valley Joint Sewer Authority to prepare an Act 537 Plan on its behalf.

Mr. Taylor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kaan, to adopt Resolution 2017-03, authorizing the AVJSA to prepare an Act 537 Plan on Indiana Township's behalf. Motion carried unanimously.

POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF FIRE TAX RESERVE DISBURSEMENT

Mr. Taylor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jorgensen, to authorize the payment of the 2016 Fire Tax Reserve Funds as requested. Motion carried unanimously.

POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE 2017 SHACOG SPRING COMMODITIES

Board Members were asked to approve the low bidders for Spring Commodities as a result of the SHACOG bid openings on March 15, 2017, and March 27, 2017.

Bid results are as follows:

2017 SPRING COMMODITIES PUBLIC WORKS

<u>BIDDER'S NAME & ADDRESS</u>	<u>COMMODITY</u>	<u>PRICE/UNIT</u>	<u>USAGE EST</u>
YOUNGBLOOD PAVING 2516 State Route 18 Wampum, PA 16157 724-535-3395 724-535-3371 (fax)	E-3M Emulsion (Cationic Polymer)	\$1.73	7,500 Gallons
FEDEROUCH LANDSCAPE SUPPLY PO Box 522 Lawrence, PA 15055-0522 724-941-6363 724-941-7505 (fax)	Ball Field Mixture	\$33.00/DEL & DUMPED	40 Tons
		\$30.00 PICKED UP	
LANE CONSTRUCTION Springdale Plant 412-875-3370	ID-2 BINDER w/gravel aggregate	\$43.00 PICKED UP	500 TONS
	ID-2 WEARING w/Stone or gravel aggregate	\$51.00 PICKED UP	500 TONS

2017 SPRING COMMODITIES POLICE

<u>BIDDER'S NAME & ADDRESS</u>	<u>COMMODITY</u>	<u>PRICE PER UNIT</u>	<u>USAGE EST</u>
WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP Devin Plume PO Box 249 Chalk Hill, PA 15421 724-437-1800 724-437-0277 (FAX)	45 Cal 230 Grain GDHP	\$28.99	3,000 Rounds
	223 CAL 55 Grain FMJBT	\$8.99	1,000 Rounds
	223 CAL 55 Grain HPBT	\$13.99	2,000 Rounds

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Daniel L. Anderson
Manager