



## Allen Township Board of Supervisors

### Meeting Minutes January 12, 2021 7:00 P.M.

A General Meeting of the Allen Township Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, January 12 2021, at 7:00 P.M. held by teleconference due to the Disaster Emergency (Resolution 2020-10 & Resolution 2020-11 – with a sunset clause until the Commonwealth lifts the Disaster Declaration) created by the COVID-19 Coronavirus Pandemic. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Chairman Dale Hassler.

1. **Roll Call:** Bruce Frack; Dale Hassler; Gerald Montanari, Sr.; Gary Behler B. Lincoln Treadwell, Jr., Esq.; Stan Wojciechowski, PE, CME; Ilene Eckhart, Manager. Absent: Carl Edwards
2. **Announcements:** No Announcements
3. **Public to be Heard:** No comments from the public.
4. **Public Hearings:** No Public Hearings.
5. **Approval of Minutes:** Mr. Edwards made a motion to approve the minutes of December 8, 2020; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes with the exception of Gary Behler who abstained due to absence.
6. **Reports – All Reports with exception of the Treasurers Report noted as “on file”.**
  - A. **Treasurer:** Mr. Behler made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report and Pay the bills; seconded by Mr. Montanari. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.
  - B. **Solicitor:** On file.
  - C. **Engineer:** On file.
  - D. **Planning/Zoning/Code Enforcement:** On file.
  - E. **Road Superintendent/Public Works Leader:** On file.
  - F. **Fire Company:** On file.
  - G. **Emergency Management Coordinator:** No report.
  - H. **Parks:** On file.

J. **Nazareth Council of Government: No meeting since last report**

K. **First Regional Compost Authority: No report.**

L. **Stormwater: On file.**

**6. Unfinished Business**

A. **Resolution #2020-11 Declaration of Disaster Sunset December 31, 2020:** Mr. Behler made a motion to extend the Declaration of Disaster pursuant to Resolution #2020-11 for as long as the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has the Commonwealth Declaration in place; seconded by Mr. Montanari. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

B. **PPL Request for Temporary Easement – Rt. 329/Howertown Road:** Mr. Treadwell explained Main Line Energy, a consultant working for PPL requests the Boards approval to allow for the replacement and installation of new overhead electric facilities. He indicated the purpose of the project is to install and upgrade for reliability purposes. A portion of the work involves replacing and installing new electric utility poles and anchors along Nor-Bath Blvd and Howertown Road. The proposed work is complicated by the current Rt. 329 Improvement HOP, for which the Township is the permit applicant. Mr. Treadwell explained the Township is required to provide clear title for these right of ways to be deeded to PennDOT. He indicated any new right of way grant to PPL would make these same properties “unclear” from a title standpoint. PPL is seeking some other form of resolution to this issue as a short term measure, such as a temporary easement (unrecorded) or authorization by the Township, which could allow the project to move forward. Mr. Behler made a motion to allow PPL the use of the area for the placement of poles/facilities through the Township’s HOP permitting process; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

C. **Atlas Road Townhome Subdivision Plan, Extension of MPC Review Timeframe (current expiration January 30, 2021):** Item tabled pending Planning Commission recommendation.

D. **Willow Green Manhole Rehabilitation Project, Final Reimbursement Request (Release #4, \$6,603.75 Request – Retain \$1,000 for Incidental Remaining Item) and Commencement of Maintenance Period:** The contractor has submitted the final request. Ms. Eckhart reported on an issue regarding the sealing material used around the pavement which adjoins the manhole frame, which has lifted. She indicated due to the type of application (which was not liquid, heat applied material) that the Board should consider holding back \$1,000 for this incidental item so that it may be addressed by the contractor. Mr. Behler made a motion to authorize release #4 in the amount of \$5,603.75, leaving a balance of \$1,000 for the completion of incidental items; seconded by Mr. Montanari. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

**7. New Business**

A. **2021 Electronic Recycling Event(s) Schedule:** Mr. Behler made a motion to schedule two electronic recycling events for 2021 – on Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup> and September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

**B. Temporary Closure of Dog Park:** Mr. Behler made a motion to temporarily close the Township Dog Park to allow for revegetation of turf from February 16<sup>th</sup> through April 1<sup>st</sup>. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

**8. Public to be Heard:** No comments from the public.

There being no further comments or business the meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ilene M. Eckhart

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