

West Earl Township Board of Supervisors, 157 West Metzler Road, Brownstown, PA 17508

In Attendance:

Chairman:	John Ford	Member:	Dave Thornton
Vice Chairman:	Harold Keppley, Jr.	Manager/Secretary:	Candie Johnson
Member:	Richard Stover	Township Engineer:	Cory Rathman, Becker Eng.
Member:	Keith Kauffman		

Call to Order

Chairman Ford called the June 12, 2017 regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Member Thornton, second by Vice Chairman Keppley to approve the May 22, 2017 regular meeting minutes and May 23, 2017 special meeting minutes as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

Public Comment/Guests

Brown, Schultz, Sheridan & Fritz-Brian Marchuk & Jim Koontz – Brian Marchuk from Brown, Schultz, Sheridan & Fritz reviewed the 2016 Audit Report with the Board members. Items reviewed included 2 opinions, remedies for those opinions, balance sheet, statement of revenues and expenses, outstanding debt, Police and non-uniform pension plans and fund balances. Jim Koontz said the Township has a healthy reserve in its annual carryover balances and its debt is well under control.

New Business

Pollutant Reduction Plan – Cory Rathman, Becker Engineering, gave an overview of the Township's Draft Pollutant Reduction Plan. The Plan must be advertised for public comment and the Plan must be submitted in September. The public comment period will begin on Monday, June 19, 2017 and end on Wednesday, July 29, 2017. Comments will be considered at the July 24, 2017 Board of Supervisors meeting. Moved by Member Kauffman, second by Member Thornton to advertise the draft Pollutant Reduction Plan for public comment. Motion approved unanimously.

Elam Horning Financial Security – Moved by Member Kauffman, second by Member Stover to release the financial security for the Elam Horning poultry barn in the amount of \$45,198.50. Motion approved unanimously.

37 Meadow View Drive stormwater waiver – Ted Cromleigh from Diehm & Sons gave an overview of the project. Applicant proposes building a single family dwelling at 37 Meadow View Drive and is requesting a waiver to prepare a small project stormwater plan rather than a fully engineered stormwater management plan. The Township Engineer is in favor of granting this waiver. Moved by Vice Chairman Keppley, second by Chairman Ford to approve the small project stormwater plan waiver for 37 Meadow View Drive, Leola. Motion approved unanimously.

Creek Hill Development field change – Cory Rathman reviewed the requested changes to the Creek Hill Development approved plan. These changes included a 2" curb reveal, acceptance of 0" to 2" curb reveal in other portions of the development and revision of the ADA ramps to install a tapered curb rather than the vertical curb that is there now. Moved by Vice Chairman Keppley, second by Chairman Ford to approve the requested field changes to the Creek Hill Development approved plan to allow a 2" curb reveal, acceptance of 0" to 2" curb reveal in portions of the development and the revision of the ADA ramps to install a tapered curb rather than the vertical curb. Motion approved unanimously.

Fire Police – Moved by Chairman Ford, second by Member Kauffman to authorize the Special Fire Police from the West Earl Fire Company, Bareville Fire Company, Leola Fire Company and Akron Fire Company to exercise the powers enumerated under Section 7435 of Title 35 of the PA Consolidated Statutes. Motion approved unanimously.

PA Certified Inspectors – The Zoning Officer requested that PA Certified Inspectors be removed from the list of approved third-party building inspectors. Moved by Vice Chairman Keppley, second by Member Kauffman to remove PA Certified Inspectors from the list of approved third-party building inspectors. Motion approved unanimously.

Agreement with EAJA and LGH for water service – Moved by Vice Chairman Keppley, second by Member Thornton to sign the agreement. Motion approved unanimously.

Request to install “Children At Play” sign – There was a consensus among the Board members to allow the installation of a “Children At Play” sign at 5 Groff’s Drive.

Manager’s Report

Sidewalk grant – The income surveys for Phase 4 & 5 of the East Main Street project were sent out.

Training – Ms. Johnson provided summaries for the Board’s review.

Bridge projects – Update on the two upcoming bridge replacement projects by Penn Dot.

Thank you cards – One from the Make-a-Wish foundation and one from the Veteran’s Council.

Lion’s Club Meeting – Ms. Johnson attended a Lion’s Club meeting recently to update the members on what’s happening in the Township. Ms. Johnson will be meeting with Fire Companies in July.

Payment of Bills

Moved by Member Thornton, second by Member Kauffman to pay the bills as presented. Motion passed with a 4 to 0 vote with Vice Chairman Keppley abstaining due to personal interest.

Financial Report

Moved by Vice Chairman Keppley, second by Chairman Ford to accept the April 2017 financial report. Motion approved unanimously.

Supervisors’ Comments

None

Adjournment

Moved by Member Thornton, second by Member Kauffman to adjourn the June 12, 2017 regular meeting at 8:27 p.m. Motion approved unanimously.