

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	Police Chief:	Brian Brandt
Member:	Keith Kauffman		

Call to Order

Chairman Ford called the August 14, 2017 regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Member Thornton, second by Member Stover to approve the July 24, 2017 regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

Public Comment/Guests

Mel Ressler, Locust Street sidewalks – Mr. Ressler was at the meeting to discuss the sidewalk repairs at his property at 9 Locust Street, Talmage. Mr. Ressler said he was interested in changing his sidewalks to asphalt rather than concrete to match the surrounding properties. Discussion followed relating to the grant the Township will receive for the sidewalks along East Main Street in Brownstown. Mr. Ressler said he feels the Township should've studied the sidewalks in Talmage also. A brief discussion about the futures plans for sidewalks followed.

New Business

1. **Hire Melissa Wallace** – Moved by Vice Chairman Keppley, second by Member Stover to hire Melissa Wallace as the full-time administrative assistant/receptionist. Motion approved unanimously. Ms. Johnson introduced Michelle Bachman to the Board.
2. **Eagleview HOA** – The Eagleview HOA is seeking approval from the Board to install a basketball court and a gaga pit at the park in Eagleview Estates. C. Lynne Beth was at the meeting representing the HOA. Stormwater management for the development was briefly discussed. Moved by Vice Chairman Keppley, second by Member Thornton to approve the installation of a basketball court and gaga pit at the Eagleview Park by the Eagleview HOA. Motion approved unanimously.
3. **Stonebarn Place extension of time** – Vice Chairman Keppley said that the project is being held up by the PennDot HOP. Moved by Vice Chairman Keppley, second by Member Kauffman.
4. **Sol & Fannie King amended granny flat agreement** – The Board asked that the name of the family member who will be using the granny flat be added to the agreement and also requested that item D. be removed. Ms. Johnson will revise the agreement and bring it to the next meeting.
5. **John Reiff small project stormwater management agreement** – Moved by Member Thornton, second by Member Stover to sign the small project stormwater management agreement for John Reiff. Motion approved unanimously.
6. **John & Glenda Hoover stormwater management agreement amended** – Moved by Member Kauffman, second by Member Thornton to sign the amended stormwater management agreement for John & Glenda Hoover. Motion approved unanimously.

7. **Melvin Martin small project stormwater management agreement** – Moved by Member Kauffman, second by Member Thornton to sign the small project stormwater management agreement for Melvin Martin. Motion approved unanimously.
8. **North Farmersville Road bridge project update** – Ms. Johnson provided an update for the bridge replacement project on N. Farmersville Road.
9. **Resolution No. 2017-21** – Disposal of records. Moved by Member Thornton, second by Member Stover to adopt Resolution No. 2017-21. Motion approved unanimously.
10. **Code Enforcement** – The Code Enforcement officer has asked for approval to start enforcement actions at 152 Brian Drive and 294 Bareview Drive. Moved by Vice Chairman Keppley, second by Member Thornton to authorize the Code Enforcement Officer to initiate enforcement proceedings for the properties located at 152 Brian Drive, Ephrata, and 294 Bareview Drive, Leola, for violations of Ordinance #238, property maintenance. Motion approved unanimously.
11. **Elam Horning financial security release** – Moved by Member Kauffman, second by Member Thornton to release, in full, the financial security for the Elam Horning project. Motion approved unanimously.
12. **Sheaffer's School Road right-of-way relocation** – Moved by Member Thornton, second by Vice Chairman Keppley to proceed with the easement method to address the lots which no longer have street frontage along Sheaffer's School Road. Motion approved unanimously.

Manager's Report

Road Department report – Provided for the Board's review.

RFP bids – Bids are due by August 18, 2017.

Road Department – Ms. Johnson said she had to let one of the Road Department employees go. A help wanted ad has been placed in local newspapers.

Police Chief's Report

Speed sign – Chief Brandt reported that the electronic speed sign is out of service.

Chief Brandt requested an executive session at the end of the regular meeting to discuss a personnel issue.

Payment of Bills

Moved by Member Kauffman, second by Member Thornton to approve the bills as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

Financial Report

June 2017 – Moved by Member Kauffman, second by Chairman Ford to accept the June 2017 financial report. Motion approved unanimously.

Supervisors' Comments

Keith Kauffman – Member Kauffman was approached by a CV School Board member about removing the War Memorial in front of the Brownstown elementary school. A brief discussion followed relating to previous instances where the School board asked for the memorial to be removed.

Public

None

The Board took a short recess at 7:55 p.m.

The Board returned to their regular session at 8:24 p.m.

Adjournment

Moved by Member Thornton, second by Chairman Ford to adjourn the August 14, 2017 regular meeting. Motion approved unanimously.