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The Board of Supervisors of East Brunswick Township held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 23, 2019 at the Municipal Building. The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Jeffrey Faust at 6:31 PM. There was a PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to our flag.

In attendance for the meeting were Chairman Jeffrey Faust, Vice-Chairman/Treasurer Thomas Strause, Supervisor John Heim, Jim Crossen, Esq.; Brian Baldwin Engineer; Secretary Kelly Coldren.

Also in attendance for the meeting was resident Lynn O'Connell; and Colleen Hoptak from the South Schuylkill News.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

No public comments

**PERSONS TO BE HEARD:**

**Lynn O'Connell - Orwigsburg Area Free Public Library**

Mrs. O'Connell expressed her gratitude in the township support of the library and asked us to consider increasing our support in the future. She reported on the activities going on and gave some updates on the new location. There are 214 active patrons that reside in East Brunswick Township.

Mrs. O'Connell then had a request as a township resident. She wondered if the township could get Comcast to service the area. We explained to her that we had recently been in discussion with them about expanding their service area in EBT and, after their studies, we just don't meet the requirements. Homes in our area are too spread out and don't meet their minimums for distance. Would be far too costly for Comcast to install poles and wires.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Basketball Court Fencing**

We went over the four quotes again:

Long Run Fence & Railing - \$7,440 (includes sawcutting blacktop holes and frost prevention with hot seal)  
ProMax - \$7,151  
Cressona Agway - \$13,350  
DP Fence - \$6,335

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DP Fence submitted another quote that included filling in the holes with cold patch for an additional \$300. BOS decided the road crew can just fill in with hot mix and seal, which they'd prefer over cold patch. J. Faust made a *motion to award the project to DP Fence at their originally quoted price of \$6,335*. Second by T. Strause. Voted all in favor.

**Ordinance 2019-1: Renter Registration**

J. Crossen informs the BOS that this was advertised April 1, 2019 in the Republican. J. Heim makes a *motion to accept Ordinance 2019-1*. Second by J. Faust. Voted all in favor. BOS asks Kelly to add ordinance and form to website.

**Mowing**

J. Faust is supposed to be getting an answer tomorrow. This person will only be available until September when they then go back to school.

**Generator**

We received three proposals:

Rob Gamble - 20kW - \$9,247

Lowes - 16kW - \$7,675

Powerton Generators - 22kW - \$7,106

We also reached out to three companies for the propane tank. Countryside will sell us one and fill it up initially for about \$2,882. Kopyy's cost for the tank itself was more expensive than Countryside. Eastern Propane doesn't sell tanks. T. Strause made a *motion to go with Powerton Generators for the 22kW generator for \$7,106 and Countryside Fuel for a 500 gallon propane tank for about \$2,882*. Second by J. Heim. Voted all in favor.

**Zoning Ordinance Amendments**

J. Crossen informs the BOS that the proposed changes have been sent to both the Township and County Planning Commissions. This will be advertised in the beginning of May and we will have a public hearing, with a court reporter, at the May 28<sup>th</sup> BOS meeting.

**Zoning Hearing Board**

J. Faust is waiting on an answer from one more person.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Dunn Annexation - Summer Valley Rd**

B. Baldwin explains the plan received to the BOS. It is a boundary line adjustment making two lots. One will be two acres and the residual will be approximately 20 acres. The two acre lot has the house on it and the

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residual lot will remain agricultural. The Planning Commission granted conditional Final Approval at their April 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. B. Baldwin is recommending the BOS also grant Conditional Final Approval based on the following two conditions:

1. Township Zoning Officer and County Planning Commission comments, if any, being adequately addressed.
2. Proposed deed descriptions for both new lots are provided to Township prior to recording.

B. Baldwin did receive the deed descriptions on April 8<sup>th</sup> so we are just waiting on the County's remarks. J. Faust made a *motion to grant Conditional Final Approval based on the conditions above being completed*. Second by J. Heim. Voted all in favor.

**Smith's Country Inn**

Someone reached out to Zoning Officer about re-opening Smith's Country Inn. Turns out the building itself is zoned Agricultural Preservation, but the parking lot, on the other side of the street, is zoned Commercial. Paperwork was not filed by the previous owners in the year timeframe to keep the operation running as such in current zoning category. Restaurants are not permitted in Ag Pres district. This is a case where zoning districts were just determined by streets and broke up the restaurant and parking lot. The BOS would love to see this re-opened. Since we are already making some minor changes to the Zoning Ordinance, we will also add restaurants as a "conditional" use in Ag Pres. The applicant will still need to come to BOS for approval. J. Faust made a *motion to advertise additional zoning amendment*. Second by J. Heim. Voted all in favor.

**BM Soccer Club Field Request**

A request was made for the soccer club to use the township field May 6 thru June 23, 2019 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays; May 19, May 27-31 Monday thru Friday. J. Heim made a *motion to approve the field request but asked that they be very aware of field conditions*. Second by T. Strause. Voted all in favor. The BOS was not too pleased that they played games Saturday morning after it had rained 4 inches the day prior.

**Resolution 2019-10: Adoption of 2019 Schuylkill County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update**

J. Faust made a *motion to accept Resolution 2019-10*. Second by T. Strause. Voted all in favor.

**Spruce Road**

After the recent 4" rain, road crew noticed that a pipe and the road have been washed out. The crew fixed. It still needs concrete work done once the stream starts to run a little dry. T. Noecker says that if that road starts to

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go, the best thing to do is to close the road. J. Crossen said there would need to be a hearing to vacate it.

**Lion's Clean-up**

Next Saturday is the cleanup hosted by the Lions. It's John's turn to be the driver. Township also usually provides the truck and signs. BOS is in favor.

**Grants**

We were not selected for the multi-modal grant. Next round open until end of July. No local match is required again, but they tend to not give the full amount requested so township would still end up paying into project. CFA grant is due May 31<sup>st</sup>. \$60,000 grant would get us minimal fencing, small set of bleachers, backstop fence, infield dirt, ADA path to "dugout". Township would have to fill in the North side to widen space. To close out the Playground grant, DCNR wants a hard-scaped ramp. Crew will do.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**GENERAL**

**SOUTHERN SCHUYLKILL COG MEETING**

The next COG meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 7 PM.

**BLUE MOUNTAIN RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING**

The monthly recreation meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 7 PM.

**SCHUYLKILL TCC MEETING**

The TCC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at 6PM.

**CONCERNS**

No concerns to report.

**PERMITS**

April Zoning Permit report is enclosed in folders.

**SEMINARS**

No applicable seminars available

**ROAD MASTER REPORT**

J. Heim reported on work the crew has been doing including dirt road maintenance on Beech Hollow, Gamelands, top of Summer Mt, otherside of Summer Mt., Spruce, and Mill Mt. They plan to start working on River Road once school is out so as not to disrupt bus service.

**MEETING MINUTES**

Motion by T. Strause, seconded by J. Faust to approve the minutes for the BOS Meeting of March 26, 2019 as presented. Voted all in favor.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Motion by J. Heim, seconded by J. Faust to *approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.* T. Strause abstained.

**REVIEW AND AUTHORIZATION OF BILLS**

Motion by T. Strause, seconded by J. Heim to approve the Payment of Bills as presented. Voted all in Favor.

On a motion by J. Faust, seconded by J. Heim, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM. All Voted in Favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly A. Coldren  
Secretary