

**East Brunswick Township
BOS Monthly Meeting
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The Board of Supervisors of East Brunswick Township held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at the Municipal Building. The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Jeff 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, Solicitor Jim Crossen, Engineer Brian Baldwin via phone, Roadmaster Tom Noecker, and Secretary Kelly Coldren. Residents Nelson Trembler and John and Donna Moser were in attendance. Paul Goettner, Jared Goettner and Mike Brinkash were in attendance regarding the Goettner Subdivision.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. and Mrs. Moser mention all of the dust on Laurel Lane and how they aren't able to open their windows or enjoy being outside because of it. Delivery trucks are often going 60mph. BOS and Roadmaster explain the only solution to the dust problem is to pave the road and that sections of the road would need widened to do so. We currently have some almost undriveable bus route roads in the township that need to be completely rebuilt from the 30s. BOS asks Roadmaster to obtain measurements, price estimate, and work load estimate.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

Goettner Subdivision

Mr. Goettner and Mr. Brinkash address the board to find out where all parties stand on this project as it has been inactive for over 10 years. By looking back through old documentation it is determined by the township representatives that all approvals have since expired. The plans will need to be presented to the Planning Commission again. Road Crew should get their recommendations for updated road improvements to Brian Baldwin. The township roads involved are part of the Dirt & Gravel Road program so Conservation District will have own set of requirements as well. The SALDO was created in 2010 so there may be some changes there that need addressed. Brinkash will resubmit the plan to township for review. Moser inquires about septic issue. It is cleared up that all lots will have individual septic facilities and that the proposed sewage plant was the idea of another developer and not Mr. Goettner.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Multipurpose Field Update

As of April 25, 2021, a majority of the work is complete with the exception of base and anchor installation and a few minor punch-list items. Although the substantial completion date for the contractor's work was scheduled for April 15, 2021, delays due to snow cover as well as some change orders justify an extension of the contract times. As part of the project, the following change orders are presented for your consideration:

CO # Description Amount Days

1	Pitching rubber ground anchors	\$800	0
2	Double First Base & Bases	\$1300	0
3	Additional grading	\$1500	+1
4	Player benches removal (\$3170)		0
5	Time extension -		+28
Total		\$430	+29

Additionally, the Contractor has submitted their first Application for Payment for work completed as of April 23, 2021 for \$58,914.49.

We recommend the Board approve the change orders and application for payment. J. Faust made a *motion to approve Change Orders and time extension as presented*. Second by J. Heim. Voted all in favor.

J. Heim made a *motion to request Blue Mountain Recreation Capital Funds for payment of dugouts*. Second by T. Strause. Voted all in favor.

Pine Valley Bridge Replacement

Design activities are continuing. Below is a summary of remaining work and anticipated project schedule:

- PADEP permit application and approval - ongoing
- Utility Coordination - ongoing; overhead utility still a conflict; utility meeting May 2021 (tentative)
- Develop and acquire easements - will finalize with Solicitor when limits of disturbance finalized for Temporary Construction Easement
- Finalize project bid documents, plans, and specifications - Preliminary Specification for PennBid advertisement, but not yet advertised
- Receive Bids - Advertise in May 2021
- Formally Award Contract and issue Notice-to-Proceed - Jun 2021
- Bridge Construction - 3 months (Summer 2021)
- Project Completion, including grant closeout - Nov 2021

Old Country Lane Bridge

The Township was informed yesterday that the grant application submitted late last year was not funded. However, the next round is now open with essentially the same application requirements and guidelines. A resolution and commitment letter will be required along with a detailed cost estimate. The application must be submitted electronically by the July 31, 2021 deadline. B. Baldwin called the state and asked for notes on our submission. It was recommended that support from legislators could help.

Posting a Road

B. Baldwin sent pamphlet of guidelines to Supervisors. We will let the Road crew review it and discuss with Brian.

Shiner Project

At last month's meeting, the BOS approved Conditional Use for Mr. Shiner to build a pole building on his residential property located in the Industrial District. Upon further review, Solicitor explains we need to advertise and hold a public hearing per Section 808 of ordinance. We will have that ready for next month's meeting but BOS advises this is not to hold up Mr. Shiner any longer. J. Crossen spoke with Marty Sowers at Light-Heigel and cleared this requirement as well as clarified that setbacks would now follow residential not industrial and permits will be issued. J. Faust makes a *motion for J. Crossen to advertise for public hearing*. Second by J. Heim. Voted all in favor.

Verizon

K. Coldren spoke with PUC rep recently and was informed that the township can't file a general complaint but rather each resident will have to file their own complaint. Also, the FCC handles high speed internet complaints so residents should be directed to file complaints with the FCC, not the PUC.

NEW BUSINESS:

LAM Associates Subdivision

Representatives for this project reached out to EBT as most of the proposed 5 lot residential subdivision is in West Penn Township but the backs of the lots are in East Brunswick with no road frontage. They asked if EBT wanted to review the plans or if we would write a letter serving as a relief waiver. B. Baldwin tells the BOS that based on precedent he recommends we also review the submission. BOS agrees and now we just wait to receive the submission.

CORRESPONDENCE
GENERAL

PennDot Speed Study Result

A letter was received explaining that based on the recent speed study results done on 443 through McKeansburg PennDot feels that the requested speed reduction is not warranted. J. Crossen will try to request data.

SOUTHERN SCHUYLKILL COG MEETING

The next meeting will be held Thursday, May 20, 2021 at 7 PM.

BLUE MOUNTAIN RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

The monthly recreation meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 28, 2021 at 7 PM.

SCHUYLKILL TCC MEETING

The TCC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 6PM.

CONCERNS

Summer Valley Road Property

Property has gotten worse. More people living there in a new camper. J. Faust asks J. Crossen to really dig into our Ordinance and to send them notice. J. Faust will call Luann again. They've already spoken five times and she said it would be

handled. The police went to evict the man but he is still there. J. Faust said that local government has the right to enforce state law. We will also ask Wayne to check on the septic issue on the property again.

N. Market St Septic issue

Constable delivered Notice of Violation. Wayne met with property owner. He was to submit a plan but never did. J. Crossen will call Wayne to discuss imposing fines at the township level.

PERMITS

Nothing of note to report

SEMINARS

No applicable seminars available

ROAD MASTER REPORT

T. Noecker reported on what the road crew has been doing which includes prepping lot for paving, attending flagger training, extending drainage at the ball field, fixing trackloader windows, sweeping Hecla and McKean's Ridge, installing boxes on Schmaltzdahl, grading Mill Mt and Wild Turkey, and digging out and forming one dugout. T. Noecker presented his plan for this year's road paving program. It includes parts of Rockland, Goose Pond, Mill Mt, and Indian Run. McKean's Ridge also needs done but will have to be bid out to a contractor as it is too wide. Also needs a tack coat. There is still base repair the crew has to do as well. T. Noecker and Kelly will contact J. Davis to write up bid. T. Noecker also mentioned basketball net is gone and we should get chains for it.

MEETING MINUTES

Motion by J. Heim, seconded by T. Strause to approve the minutes for the BOS Meeting of March 23, 2021 as presented. Voted all in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

REVIEW AND AUTHORIZATION OF BILLS

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

On a motion by J. Faust, seconded by T. Strause, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 PM. All Voted in Favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly A. Coldren
Secretary