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The Board of Supervisors of East Brunswick Township held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at the Municipal Building. The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Jeffrey Faust at 6:33 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; and Roadmaster Thomas Noecker.

Also in attendance for the meeting was Colleen Hoptak from the South Schuylkill News.

PUBLIC HEARING:

See official stenographer minutes

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No public comments

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

No persons to be heard

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mowing

The person J. Faust thought was interested is no longer. J. Crossen suggests Eric Mika's son who has recently started a business. Will reach out to him.

Zoning Hearing Board

Board will invite the interested persons to the June meeting to see if they accept their appointments.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 2019-11: Price Adjustment of Bituminous Materials for Small Quantities

T. Strause made a *motion to accept the Resolution*. Second by J. Heim. Voted all in favor.

2019 Materials Bid Opening

Only one bid was received and that was from Lehigh Asphalt. J. Heim made a *motion to award Lehigh Asphalt all materials, both delivery and pick-up*. Second by T. Strause. Voted all in favor. The total amount of the awarded contract is \$264,553.00 (delivered). J. Faust then made a *motion to*

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terminate our current materials bid with Pottsville Materials, which was to be in effect until July 24, 2019, for lack of performance under the contract terms. Second by T. Strause. Voted all in favor. Instances have been noted and a letter was sent in December informing Pottsville Materials of the issues. More issues have occurred since then too. J. Faust then made a *motion to amend the newly awarded materials contract for 2019-2020 with Lehigh Asphalt to begin May 29, 2019.* Second by J. Heim. Voted all in favor. Solicitor Crossen will contact both companies to inform.

2019 Bituminous Seal Coat Bid Opening

Two bids were received.

Martin Paving came in with a total project cost of \$49,865.50 and AMS came in with a total project cost of \$57,630.03. J. Faust made a *motion to award the contract to Martin Paving with a price of \$49,865.50.* Second by J. Heim. Voted all in favor.

Resolution 2019-12: CFA Grant Application Submission

J. Heim made a *motion to accept Resolution 2019-12 and apply for the 2019 CFA grant for the multi-purpose field project at a price of \$133,000 with a township obligation of \$19,950.* Second by T. Strause. Voted all in favor. \$100 non-refundable application fee is now to be paid via debit/credit card.

BM Soccer Club Field Request

A request was made for the soccer club to use the township field July 29th through November 17, 2019. Request said they are expecting to need the same usage as last year which was Mondays and Thursdays 6-7:30pm, Wednesday 5:30-7 pm and Fridays. J. Faust made a *motion to approve the field request pending the submission of exact schedule of days and times of usage.* Second by T. Strause. Voted all in favor.

Water Treatment System for 35

Water tests results for the township office building came back and the iron is much higher than the normal level. We received a quote from Jay Hollenbach to have treatment tanks installed on the second floor at a price of \$2,493.74. Says a dedicated electrical line will be needed. T. Strause made a *motion to have Jay Hollenbach install the tanks.* Second by J. Heim. Voted all in favor.

Septic System

Since January 2018, we have spent \$1,875 having the septic tank at 35 pumped. It was always planned to have a sand mound installed. BOS asks Kelly to get in touch with Wayne Bowen to begin the testing and design process. Brian Baldwin also says he will need to discuss and include the

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stormwater management facilities as well. J. Faust also asks Kelly to ask Wayne about the status of the issue in McKean's Ridge.

Census Bureau Meeting Room Usage

The Census Bureau has inquired about using our meeting room for their training sessions. J. Faust made a *motion to allow the Census Bureau to utilize the township meeting room for training sessions during Kelly's normal working hours*. Second by T. Strause. Voted all in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE

GENERAL

SOUTHERN SCHUYLKILL COG MEETING

The next COG meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 7 PM.

BLUE MOUNTAIN RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

The monthly recreation meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 7 PM.

SCHUYLKILL TCC MEETING

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

CONCERNS

A letter was received requesting for Laurel Lane to be paved.

Concern was made today over whether or not permits were obtained for the home décor business at the Bargain Barn; specifically the signage, bathrooms and certificate of occupancy. Comparison was made between that business and the day care at the same location. J. Faust says, as a fellow daycare owner, that more stringent requirements will always be needed for a day care than another type of facility. BOS would like Zoning Officer to look into concerns.

PERMITS

May Zoning Permit report is enclosed in folders.

2303 Summer Valley Rd: They could attach the living quarters; there is a clause in the Zoning Ordinance that allows them to break off an acre of land for family members. They are not interested in either of these options. A separate lot would require separate septic, electric, etc. Though it is unknown if the current septic system could handle the increase. Their "out" is to submit a land development plan to the Planning Commission

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139 Brookshire Lane: This is a civil dispute between the property owners. The township is not the one putting the deed restrictions on them. We only issue permits per our own requirements.

65 Hillside Lane: They had a permit for solar panels and the fence was connected to an old existing fence. BOS does not agree with Zoning Officer recommendation of making a permit necessary for every future repair, replacement and/or installation of fences; only entire fence replacements or new fences will need a permit. We can't expect someone to move their entire fence just when fixing a portion. BOS would like Zoning Officer to notify complainant that proper permits were obtained for the solar panels and no permit was needed of the partial fence replacement.

SEMINARS

No applicable seminars available

ROAD MASTER REPORT

T. Noecker reported on work the crew has been doing including grading Mill Mt Rd and the west end of Summer Mt Rd; mulching the playground; cold patching; installing drainage on East and West Rauschs Rd; getting roads ready for Tar and Chip; and patching the playground fence.

MEETING MINUTES

Motion by J. Heim, seconded by T. Strause to approve the minutes for the BOS Meeting of April 23, 2019 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 J. Heim, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM. All Voted in Favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly A. Coldren
Secretary