

MORRIS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

REGULAR MEETING

October 7, 2020

7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Morris Township Supervisors was called to order by Chairman James Williams with a salute to the flag. A roll call of officers showed James Williams, John Saggese, and Josiah Jones, Dan Nelson, Scott Holencik, Patti Moore.

Guests: Willard Verbeck, Brenda Umholtz, Bob Umholtz, George Holencik, Patricia Coval, Len Coval, William Clark, Fred Little, Ed Andrasko Jr., John Koptchak, Sharon Beveridge, Cpl. Robert Straw, Tom howe, Justin Matthes, Tim Gray

Minutes: The Chairman entertained a motion, John Saggese motioned, and Josiah Jones seconded to accept the minutes from the September 2, 2020 Board of Supervisors meeting and the September 18, 2020 special meeting. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

Financial Reports: The Chairman entertained a motion, Josiah Jones motioned, and John Saggese seconded to approve the financial report. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

Bills: The Chairman entertained a motion, Josiah Jones motioned, and John Saggese seconded to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

Planning Commission: The Chairman entertained a motion, John Saggese motioned, and Josiah Jones seconded to approve the Morris Township Vol. Fire Company Subdivision presented by John Koptchak (GeoTech). Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

Solicitor Report: Solicitor Dan Nelson will provide examples of a resolution for public comment during a public meeting for consideration.

Police Consolidation Update: The Police Consolidation Study is in progress. Updates will be shared once available.

Public Comments:

- Corporal Robert Straw provided a report for the past year and answered questions from the guests regarding trespass issues.
- Mrs. Beveridge read a statement regarding the Colorado Bridge closure and was unhappy regarding contact with supervisors. She was advised to call the township office number and leave a message, and someone will return her call as soon as possible.
- Tim Gray questioned the St. Agnes Drive boundaries and was advised to research his question individually at the courthouse, the township will not do research unless it is a benefit to the township.
- George Holencik questioned his complaint on a manhole problem at the end of his driveway on Pine Street. It was determined to be an issue of the Municipal Authority.

Fire Protection Update: Willard Verbeck provided a report on behalf of the Morris Township Vol. Fire Co. Willard stated there will be a Walmart Distribution Center goods sale Fund Raiser to benefit the MTVFC.

Road Masters report: James Williams stated there is a report submitted by Bryan Beish available for review.

Code Enforcement Update: Code Enforcement Officer Scott Holencik provided the Code Enforcement update for the prior month. Also provided a written report for review.

Morris Township Recreation: The supervisors read over the minutes provided by the recreation board. Lenny Coval stated the basketball courts will be painted as a donation from a Clearfield Company. Lenny Coval stated he feels a representative from the Recreation Board should attend the Board of Supervisor Meeting to answer questions.

Municipal Authority of the Township of Morris: John Saggese stated on behalf of the municipal authority there was no meeting in September, the August meeting minutes were submitted.

Declaration of Disaster Emergency Extension: The Chairman entertained a motion, Josiah Jones motioned, and John Saggese seconded to extend the existing Declaration of Disaster Emergency to be reconsidered at the **November 4, 2020** Board of Supervisors meeting. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

Driveway Ordinance: The Chairman entertained a motion, Josiah Jones motioned, and John Saggese seconded to advertise "An Ordinance of Morris Township, Regulating Driveway and Private Street Accesses and Encroachments to Public Roads". **Proposed Ordinance 11-4-2020.** Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

Colorado Bridge Proposal: The Chairman entertained a motion, Josiah Jones motioned and John Saggese seconded to accept the proposal from GeoTech to engineer and oversee the repair of the Colorado Bridge. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

Cares Act Agreement: The Chairman entertained a motion, Josiah Jones motioned and John Saggese seconded to accept and sign the Cares Act Agreement between Clearfield County and Morris Township for the awarded \$15,000.00 in funds. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

PennDOT Multimodal Grant Resolution: The Chairman entertained a motion, Josiah Jones motioned and John Saggese seconded to adopt the 2020-8-07 Resolution and apply for the PennDOT Multimodal Grant for T-695 Reconstruction. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

Halloween: The Chairman entertained a motion, James Williams motioned and Josiah Jones seconded Halloween will be held on October 31, 2020 from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

White Goods Day: The Chairman entertained a motion, John Saggese motioned and Josiah Jones seconded to hold White Goods Day October 17, 2020 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM.

Respectively Submitted, *Patti Moore*, Secretary