

TOWNSHIP OF DERRY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 22, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Abruzzo called the June 22, 2021, Regular Meeting of the Township of Derry Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Township of Derry Municipal Complex, 600 Clearwater Road, Hershey, PA. He advised that all public meetings are recorded for providing accurate notes. After the Pledge of Allegiance, a roll call was performed. He announced the Board of Supervisors met in Executive Session from 6 p.m. to 6:55 p.m. to discuss legal issues.

IN ATTENDANCE:

SUPERVISORS

E. Christopher Abruzzo, Chairman
Natalie L. Nutt, Vice Chairwoman
Carter E. Wyckoff, Secretary
Richard D. Zmuda
Susan M. Cort

ALSO PRESENT:

Christopher Christman, Township Manager
Patrick Armstrong, Township Solicitor
Chuck Emerick, Director of Community Development
Thomas Clark, Director of Public Works
Chief Garth Warner, Police Department
Zach Jackson, Director of Parks and Recreation
Laura O'Grady, Director of Hershey Public Library
Michael Wood, HRG Engineer
Julie Echterling, Recorder

Public in Attendance:

The following were in attendance: Roy Prescott, Darlene Weaver, Doug Weaver, Ann Barnhart-Mazur, Joan Jarrett, Tony Mastriana, Dave Buffington, Mark Bradshaw

VISITOR/PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mrs. Ann Barnhart-Mazur, 843 Tallyho Road, provided the Board with a letter addressing residents' desire to have designated pickleball courts. Currently, residents use courts outside of the Township. She noted it is a fast-growing sport and is being taught in the schools. She asked if they could meet with someone and if there could be designated courts in the Recreation Center. Mr. Jackson stated there would be three courts in the new Center that would be used for pickleball, basketball and volleyball.

Mr. William Prescott, 1810 Church Road, stated no one reached out to him after the last Board meeting where he was assured someone would. He discussed the incident where he tried to call into the Recycling Center to see if they take refrigerators and was unable to reach someone. He then went to the Center and eventually spoke to Mr. Clark of Public Works who referred him to IT in the Administrative Building because the phone does not ring in their office. Mr. Prescott then went to the administrative building to let someone know and wanted assurance that it would be addressed. During his conversation with the receptionist at the Administrative Building, a Police Sergeant addressed him and asked him to leave. He was told that he was annoying them and wished him good luck on his way out of the building. He asked what authority this officer had to kick him out of the building and noted he recorded the whole incident on his phone. Mr. Christman thanked him for bringing this issue up at the last meeting and they have addressed the phone issue. The phone will now ring during business hours to the Public Works Department. He left a message and sent a letter inviting him to sit down with himself and Chief Warner to discuss his concerns with the sergeant. Mr. Prescott stated he did not receive a letter or a message and provided his phone number to Mr. Christman.

Mr. Tony Mastriana stated he spoke to Mr. Mandia about two years ago about pickleball and the growth of the sport. He spoke about the condition of the current tennis courts and how he would like to be able to play the sport in his own Township instead of going elsewhere to play.

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CONSENT CALENDAR:

Supervisor Cort made a motion to authorize action on the following Consent Calendar:

1. Adoption of Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes for the June 8, 2021 Regular Meeting
2. Authorizes the release of the remaining balance (\$2,666) of the cash of financial security provided for the Stormwater Management Plan for 931 Hill Church Road, S-2019-025.
3. Approval of Accounts Payable \$1,234,951.83 and Payroll of \$316,115.92

Supervisor Zmuda seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0.**

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 2021-14-EXECUTE DOCUMENTS FOR 422 STREETScape PROJECT:

Mr. Christman spoke about the document requirement for the 422 Streetscape Project. He noted that 100% of the \$413,141.30 is reimbursed for the project costs.

Vice Chairwoman Nutt made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-14, authorizing the Township Manager to execute all documents on behalf of the Township of Derry to enter into a Transportation Set-Aside Program Reimbursement Grant Agreement (No. R21080009) with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for the SR 422 Streetscape Project. Supervisor Wyckoff seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION- THE RECOVERY FLEXIBLE BUSINESS SUPPORT PROGRAM:

Mr. Emerick provided the history of Resolution 2020-15 which provided relief of certain requirements and special opportunities to businesses as they worked to safely reopen and operate during the Governor's COVID-19 Disaster Declaration. He noted several extensions were provided with the most recent one expiring on August 9. The Governor's emergency Disaster Declaration ended on June 11. The Resolution will expire on August 9. Mr. Emerick asked if there could be a two-week grace period for businesses to remove signs, take down tents, and other such items which were allowed in the Resolution. He noted one additional item that would go away would be the curbside pickup parking now available. The Board discussed extending the grace period and the issues with downtown and pedestrian traffic.

Chairman Abruzzo made a motion that Resolution No. 2020-15, enabling the Derry Township COVID-19 Recovery Flexible Business Support Program and guidelines, will expire on August 3, 2021, providing for a grace period ending September 7, 2021 (Tuesday after Labor Day) for businesses to bring their sites back into compliance with the pre-COVID-19 regulations. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Supervisor Zmuda asked if there were any changes in the Resolution that should be considered and made permanent. Chairman Abruzzo stated they should look at things that were good, see what the businesses experienced, and what worked for them.

SECURITY: THE HERSHEY COMPANY WEST PLANT PATIO, S-2020-025:

Supervisor Cort made a motion to accept a financial security in the amount of \$28,823.00, in the form of Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America Bond No. 107378953, and enters into the Agreement to Provide Financial Security between The Hershey Company and the Township for the Stormwater Management Plan for The Hershey Company West Plant Patio, S-2020-025. Supervisor Zmuda seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

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SECURITY- 1064 WOODRIDGE DRIVE -S-2021-011:

Chairman Abruzzo made a motion to accept a cash financial security in the amount of \$6,554.00 and enters into the Agreement to Provide Financial Security with Jayanth J. and Cristen C. Franklin for the Stormwater Management Plan for 1064 Woodridge Drive, S-2021-011. Vice Chairwoman Nutt seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

AWARD A CONTRACT FOR HERSHEY PARK ACCESS BRIDGE REPAIR:

Mr. Clark discussed the accident that caused damage to the Hersheypark Access Bridge done by a contractor. It was sent out for bid and the lowest bid came in at \$19,111.42 from CriLon Corporation for the repairs. It will be paid completely by the Contractor's insurance company.

Supervisor Cort made a motion to award the contract for the Hersheypark Access Bridge Repair to CriLon Corporation in the sum of \$19,111.42. Vice Chairwoman Nutt seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

YMCA TROEG'S HOP DASH ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2:

Vice Chairwoman Nutt made a motion to approve the request to hold the Troeg's Hop Dash 5K run on Saturday, October 2, 2021, to start at 9:00 am. Supervisor Zmuda seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

CORRESPONDENCE BOARD/COMMITTEE INFORMATION:

Supervisor Zmuda attended the transportation meeting and will be attending the Hershey Traffic Study next week. Supervisor Cort noted that the Capital Campaign will be wrapping up the naming opportunities for \$5,000 donations on June 30. Donations will continue to be accepted.

Vice Chairwoman Nutt discussed the Transportation Meeting. She stated they discussed the HE&R events and concerts. The slip road will be closed for any event of more than 15,000 expected in attendance. She stated they spoke about the 422 project, bike and pedestrian paths on Middletown Road and the turn arrows on Cocoa Avenue onto 322. Supervisor Wyckoff thanked the public for coming out tonight.

REPORTS:

<u>Police:</u>	Chief Warner stated they are in the final year of the CALEA accreditation and will be finishing soon. The department's Use of Force, Pursuit and Discipline policy will be put online for the community. He spoke about the upcoming training for the body cameras and the policies that have been dictated by the grant.
<u>Public Works</u>	Mr. Clark noted the progress on the landfill project is 70-75% done including subsoil, topsoil and seeding which will happen in the next 2 weeks.
<u>Library</u>	Mrs. O'Grady stated the book sale is scheduled for July 30-August 3. They are going to suspend book donations on June 30 because they have plenty.
<u>Recreation</u>	Mr. Jackson provided an update on the current progress of the Community Center. He stated they will start working on duct work, lighting, and furnaces in the next few weeks. New pictures were posted to the website today.
<u>Community Development</u>	Mr. Emerick stated a conditional use hearing is needed for a short-term rental. He scheduled it for July 27 at 6 p.m.

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Mr. Doug Weaver, 115 Almond Drive, asked when they would be hearing from someone about the availability of pickleball in the Township. Mr. Jackson stated he would get back to them in the next few days.

ADJOURNMENT:

Supervisor Zmuda made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. Vice Chairwoman Nutt seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

SUBMITTED BY:

Carter E. Wyckoff
Township Secretary