WEST SADSBURY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Regular Meeting, September 10, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Barry Edwards at 7:30 P M.

In attendance: Barry Edwards, Edward Haas, John Keesey, Helen Esbenshade and Patti Piersol.

Sealed bids were opened for the Newlin Road project: Harlan Construction for \$20,250.00; Long's Asphalt, Inc. \$14,320.00, Inc. and Advanced Pavement Group/Dan Malloy was \$22,106.50. Bids were reviewed to confirm uniformity of scope of work that was bid. Motion by Barry Edwards, seconded by John Keesey to award the bid to Long's Asphalt, Inc. Motion carried 3-0. A PennDOT Project Number for this work must be obtained before any work begins.

Barry Edwards read the minutes of the August 13, 2019 Supervisor's meeting and the August 27, 2019 Work session. Barry made a motion to approve the minutes as read and John Keesey seconded the motion. Motion carried **3-0**.

Treasurer's report:

Income for August, 2019 is \$95,213.15 (this is the adjusted total)

Expenses for August, 2019 are \$69,230.07

Income for August, 2019 is \$25,983.08

A list of outstanding invoices in the amount of \$5,669.04 for the General Fund expenses and \$2,474.19 for the Liquid Fuels expenses were presented to the Board for payment. Barry Edwards made a motion to pay the bills listed, John Keesey seconded the motion. Motion carried **3-0**.

Police Report: Chief Fidler presented the August 2019 police report. A copy of the report is in the Township's files.

Zoning Officer: Barry Edwards read the Zoning Officer's report. A correction is needed for the address of Victory Brewing. A copy is in the Township's files.

Fire Company Report: Was given by Nathan Delestienne of the Keystone Valley Fire Department. A copy is in the Township's files.

Planning Commission report: Barry Edwards presented to the Board of Supervisors a letter from the Planning Commission with proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinances. Intent of the revisions is to clarify current inconsistencies, address topics not already in the ordinances, and provide additional criteria for items already in the ordinance. Revisions to the criteria for keeping large animals in Residential Districts were considered: however, due to lack of consensus among the PC members, no revisions to the current criteria are being proposed at this time. The Commission recommends that the Board of Supervisors review the changes and then advertise that the changes will be brought up for adoption at an advertised future public hearing. Barry Edwards made a motion to approve the proposed

amendments and forward them to the Township's solicitor for her comments. Upon the receipt of her approval, send them to the Chester County Planning Commission for their approval and advertise a date for a public hearing with the intent to discuss and adopt the proposed amendments. The motion was second by John Keesey, Motion carried **3-0**.

Engineer's Report: Jeff Bologa of Becker Engineering reported some apparent discrepancies observed with the dimensions of the finished new building at the Blackhorse Propane site. NOTE...This was found to be a mistake in measurement and the building is constructed in accordance with the approved plan. Becker Engineering's meeting with Freedom Life Church went well - Jeff is waiting submissions from Freedom Life Church. Stan Stefanski of Church Road was told that he needs to re-submit the plan for site work on his property. Crist Stotlzfus Stormwater Plan - still need to see the driveway permit of the property next door. Jeff suggested conditional approval be granted for the Crist Stoltzfus Stormwater Plan. Barry Edwards made a motion to grant conditional approval of the Stormwater Plan of Christ Stotlzfus. Final approval will be given when all the items listed in Becker Engineering review letter dated 9/9/2019 have been met. Seconded by John Keesey. Motion carried 3-0.

Old Business:

Old Paths Baptist Church grants the Township a 6-month extension to complete review of their plans. Motion by Barry Edwards to accept the extension, seconded by John Keesey. Motion carried 3-0.

Barry Edwards made the motion to approve the Lydia Ann Fisher Stormwater Management Project: Stormwater Management Application & Worksheet, Stormwater Best Management Practices and Conveyances, Operation and Maintenance Agreement and Financial Security Agreement; seconded by John Keesey. Motion carried 3-0.

A draft of the proposed Personnel Policy was presented to the Board with the changes made by the Solicitor marked. The Board of Supervisors will need to review the changes and discuss at a future meeting with the intent of ultimately enacting the policy.

New Business:

The 2020 Minimum Municipal Obligations for the Police and the Non-Uniformed Pension Plans were announced and it was stated that this must be included in the 2020 budget.

The Next Generation Farmer Loan that is being offered by the Central and Western Chester County Industrial Development Authority was explained. The Township will not incur any financial obligation by the issuance of this loan by the Authority. Barry Edwards read the Resolution and made a motion to adopt Resolution of Approval No. 2019-06. Seconded by John Keesey. Motion carried 3-0. Copy in file.

Barry Edwards made a motion to hire Tammy Russell as a part time Township employee at \$34.00 an hour to assist on payroll and related issues on an as needed basis. Seconded by John Keesey. Motion carried 3-0.

An owner of a business in the Township wants to sell his liquor license and since he has not had the license in use for the required 5 years, he wants the help of the Township. The Township Solicitor will look into the request and any applicable process.

Budget: The Board of Supervisors asked if they need to advertise a meeting they would have to work on the budget. Our Solicitor will advise.

Chairman Edwards stated that with tomorrow being September 11th, he would like to acknowledge and thank the First Responders: Police and Fire for their service.

Public session:

Joe Prekup asked several questions about the absence of the Township Manager and the temporary consultants who have been assisting us in the interim. He also voiced complaints about the roads and that the road banks on Church Road weren't being mowed frequently enough. There was also a very brief discussion about possible rezoning and overlay districts in multiple locations in the Township.

Motion by Barry Edwards to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 P.M., seconded by John Keesey, motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted

Patti Piersol,

Administrative Assistant