

West Sadsbury Township Board of Supervisors

Regular Meeting, December 10, 2019

Public Hearing on Ordinance 2019-07

Vice Chairman Ed. Haas turned the meeting over to the Township's Solicitor, Helen Esbenshade. The Hearing was advertised twice in the Daily Local News on 11/25/19 and 12/02/19. Exhibit 1 was read, exhibit 2 is the proof of publication. Letters from the Chester County Planning Commission are exhibits 3 and 4.

Charles Kauffman asked why do anything with the High Tunnels. Helen explained that the State of Pennsylvania requires a Township with a Stormwater Management Ordinance to change their ordinance to include the new information on High Tunnels.

Aaron Zook said that members of the Community feel that the Supervisors should wait until they have the 3<sup>rd</sup> member before acting on this.

Ed stated that if they wanted to wait, they would have to re-advertise. Helen said that they could consider the ordinance amendment at a later date. She suggested not to go beyond 1 meeting. John asked for questions to be delivered to the office so the Supervisors can review them.

It will be brought up again at the Re-organizational Meeting on 1/6/2020 at 7:30 PM. Ed made a motion to close the hearing, seconded by John Keesey, motion carried.

The Regular Monthly meeting was called to order.

Patti Piersol read the minutes of the Board of Supervisors 11/12/19 Budget meeting, the Regular 11/12/19 Supervisors meeting and the Board of Supervisors Work Session on 11/20/19. Ed stated that he does not believe the Township is paying Dan Becker to attend the PA American meetings for us. Ed made a motion to approve the minutes with the change to 11/20/19, number 14, seconded by John, motion carried.

**Treasurer's report:**

Income for November 2019	\$14,506.38
Expenses for the November 2019	\$93,123.25
Income/(Loss) for November 2019	(\$78,616.87)
Income/(Loss) for the year to date	\$78,816.79

Invoices to pay, a motion to pay the bills listed was made by John Keesey, seconded by Ed Haas, motion carried.

**Police Report:** Was given by Chief Luke Fidler, report on file.

**Fire Company Report:** Chief Cazillo gave the November 2019 report. Ed asked if they received the Walmart plans yet. The Chief had not. P. Piersol said that Bill Beers talked to the Fire Marshal and he released the plans. Chief Cazillo was going to contact Bill Beers.

**Zoning Officer's report:** Ed read the November report.

**Planning Commission:** There was no report.

**Engineers report:** Jeff Bologna of Becker Engineering gave the following report: Freedom Life Church, no change from last month, still waiting re-submission. Farm-Bilt Machine, the area has received matting, parking area will be paved in the spring. 608 and 618 North Morgan, waiting to hear from the contractor and there are some final items on the punch list to be completed. Lida Ann Fischer, a small stormwater project is complete, waiting for the as built drawings. The Bernhard Hoeckh to be re-submitted as a small project, plans are expected soon. Christ Stoltzfus Stormwater project, no change, it has been conditionally approved. Black Horse Propane, no change. Chris Stoltzfus, lot add on plan. Part of the lot will be in the residential area, split zoning and the stricter zoning laws will apply to the new lot. Old Paths Baptist Church, at the last Planning Commission meeting they were given conditional approval to the plan. Agreements have to be written. They are requesting waivers to Section 402, submit plans, Section 507, installing curbing and 508, install sidewalks. Ed Haas made a motion to grant waivers of 402, 507 and 508, seconded by John Keesey, motion carried.

#### **Old Business:**

**2020 Budget:** The budget was advertised for 30 days, was available in the office for 30 days and also has been on the website for 30 days. Ed gave the estimated income of \$1,081,125.00, estimated total expenses of \$1,128,284.00. To balance the budget, Ed made a motion to transfer \$47,159.00 out of reserves, seconded by John, motion carried.

Direct Energy wants renew our contract that does not expire until later in 2020. The Board asked our Solicitor to review the contract.

Holiday bonus for the Township staff, Police, Planning Commission and Zoning Hearing Board of \$150.00 each, motion was made by Ed, seconded by John, motion carried.

Atglen Borough has applied for permits in West Sadsbury Township and has asked that we waive the fees. Ed made a motion to only charge Atglen the fees that our Township is charged, seconded by John.

Ed stated that he and John had an Executive Session before this meeting.

John feels that a Farmer's view is needed on the Board and he would vote for Charles Kauffman to fill the vacancy. Ed said that they need to fill the vacancy board. Ed and John can't agree who to appoint to the vacancy board.

**Public Comment:** Helen explained that per the Sunshine Act for you to ask questions, you are supposed to state your name and your address for the record.

Donald Stoltfus of 6109 Limeville, stated his service to the Township and volunteered to have his name considered for the vacancy board.

Ed said that they don't agree and the matter will go to the Court of Common Pleas.

Aaron Zook spoke about the zoning matter with the horse barns, we can have 4 or 5 cars in a driveway and the Amish are just asking for 1 horse. "Where's the fairness in that"

The Board left the room for an Executive Session. P Piersol, gave Joe Precup the paper work on the road paving that he had requested in a previous meeting.

The Board returned and Ed stated that problem of naming a third supervisor will go to the Court of Common Pleas.

Chuck Herman of Moscow Road has a safety concern with the tractor trailer speeding on their area of the road. Chief Fidler said that he will have the police keep an eye on it.

John Stoltzfus of Swan Road asked if Ed knew anyone at the Court of Common Pleas, he knows of them, not personally.

Clyde Loade of Moscow Road, why aren't the 35 mph signs taken down and the correct speed limit signs put up.

There were no other comments.

Ed made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by John, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Patti Piersol,

Administrative Assistant