

REGULAR MEETING

February 21, 2022

The regular meeting of the Reading Township Board of Supervisors was held at the Township Building and called to order at 6:07 pm by Vice Chairman Wes Thomason and Jason Phillips were present with Vice-Chairman Thomason presiding over the meeting.

Others in attendance included Susan Smith, Solicitor, Law Offices of Susan Smith. Kevin Fox, Gannett Fleming; Bill Ceravola, Officer in Charge; Jerry Shank, Planning Commission; George Wolf, Jeff and Louanne Megonnell, Boney Dawood, Cameron Heath, Matt Stare, Ray Brice, Mario Scazzea, Lauren and Nick Grim, John Skovira, Barry Weaver, John Biese, Marty Scholand, Jen, Goldhahn, Tom Whitcomb, Phil Garland and Greg Heefner.

Pledge of Allegiance

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Executive Sessions held January 17 after Regular BOS Meeting to discuss litigation (Reading Investors Declaratory Judgment complaint; Hampton Heights fee dispute; Neil Noise Violation Appeal)

January 21st Chairman Holtzinger and Wes Thomason attended A breakfast with Doug Mastriano, Senator.

January 26th Chairman Holtzinger attend a meeting with Adams County Transportation Organization

January 30th Chairman Holtzinger, Wes Thomason, Kevin Fox, Jason Grim and Kim Dissinger met at Chesterfield to view and obtain information on driveway drainage

February 7th the BOS held a hearing on Appeal from Notice of Violation of noise nuisance

MINUTES

Minutes from the January 17, 2022, Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Phillips, second by Mr. Thomason; motion carried.

OPEN CHURCH ROAD BIDS

Vice Chairman Thomason and Mr. Phillips opened bids for the Church Road Project. The bids were broken down in to four segments. The first segment was Church Road to Iris Lane to Hoover School Road. Segment two was Church Road to Hoover School Road to Round Hill Road. Segment three was Church Road to Round Hill Road to SR 1005 and the fourth segment was for the entire length of the road.

C.E. Williams	1) \$294,525.00	2) \$283,050.00	3) \$199,050.00	4) \$718,000.00
New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co., Inc.	1) \$260,860.00	2) \$265,957.50	3) \$195,171.25	4) \$648,895.00
Shiloh Paving and Excavating	1) \$257,033.50	2) \$263,239.50	3) \$177,943.50	4) \$656,344.00
E.K. Services, Inc.	1) \$259,993.75	2) \$262,865.00	3) \$187,963.75	4) \$642,760.00
Kinsley	1) \$257,825.00	2) \$263,810.00	3) \$186,262.50	4) \$707,897.50

Mr. Phillips made a motion to award the bid for the Church Road project to the lowest bidder pending review of the bid packet to E.K. Services, Inc. with a cost of \$642,760.00, second by Vice Chairman Thomason; motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Louanne Megonnell stated they received an ambulance club membership from UPMC, but it was not for Reading Township. She stated Jeff called and they said he should have not received it. Ms. Megonnell would like to know when she will receive one for Reading Township and who it will be. Mr. Phillips stated East Berlin and UPMC merged to form Life Team. They will continue to have the ambulance they have had until the beginning of next year. He also stated the letters went out to Reading Township by accident.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Nick Grim-Driveway waiver request

Mr. & Ms. Grim filed a waiver request from the driveway sight distance requirements outlined in Section 21-217 of the Code of Ordinances of Reading Township. The proposed driveway has a sight distance of 250 feet and does not meet the sight distance requirement of 350 feet. Mr. Grim was advised he could move the driveway thirty feet further onto the adjoining property. Mr. Grim stated the Township failed to inspect the driveway when the permit was originally submitted in August 2021. On August 16, 2021, the Supervisors conditionally approved the Dissinger SALD #2021-04 plan and easement agreement which outlined their proposed driveway location. Mr. Grim stated he will do whatever the Supervisors vote on, but it was the principle and he wanted to make sure it does not happen to someone else. Mr. Fox advised against approving the waiver. Vice Chairman Thomason stated the main concern is the safety of their family as well as the public. Vice-Chairman suggested placing no left-hand turn signs. Mr. Phillips questioned Mr. Grim, if they do not grant the waiver are they still going to go through with their plans. Mr. Grim stated they will. Mr. Phillips made a motion to deny the waiver request, second by Vice Chairman Thomason; motion carried.

Chesterfield Revised Plans (driveway detail, stormwater management note) consider and take action

Mr. Boney Dawood was present representing the plan. Mr. Dawood stated Chesterfield is an open spaced development designed with a roadside channel instead of a curbside which brought up concerns on maintenance. The Homeowners Association will be responsible for all stormwater within the right of way and the lot owner will be responsible for their lot. The revised plans now strengthen the language. Mr. Phillips made a motion to approve the

revised plans for Chesterfield Stormwater with revisions made on pages 1, 29 & 30 as presented and they are to be recorded, second by Vice-Chairman Thomason; motion carried.

BUSINESS MATTERS

Berks Homes (Hampton Heights)

Waiver Request As-Built Plans

Berks Homes is requesting a waiver of Section 22-310 & Section 23-407 of the Reading Township ordinances. Due to the winter weather and temperatures, they are unable to complete exterior items, including driveways, landscaping, and street trees. Because of this, they are unable to provide the As-Built drawing requirements that are needed to receive the Final Certificate of Occupancy. Berks Homes are requesting a temporary Certificate with an estimated timeline of completion to be June 1st. They are also willing to provide a check for escrow of \$1000.00 per home until the work is complete and they can submit the as-built plans. Mr. Phillips made a motion to approve a standard document for all situations as this for delayed submissions of the lot as built drawings subject to Susan's recommendations. Developer would submit \$1,000.00 per lot performance security bond, cash escrow or letter of credit, a written agreement to be drafted by Attorney Smith that identifies property and what is to happen and who is responsible, and the work and the lot as built must be submitted by June 1st, second by Vice-Chairman Thomason; motion carried unanimously.

Adopt No Smoking Policy

Mr. Phillips made a motion to adopt the No Smoking Policy as corrected, second by Vice-Chairman Thomason; motion carried.

Approve advertising for 2022 Aggregate bids

Mr. Phillips made a motion to approve advertising for the 2022 aggregate bids, second by Vice-Chairman Thomason; motion carried.

Police Body Cam and Mobile video Policy

Officer Ceravola stated the Police car will not be ready in February as expected. Mr. Phillips made a motion to table the Police body cam and mobile video Policy, second by Vice-Chairman Thomason; motion carried.

Adopt Non-Uniform Pension Disclosure Statements

Mr. Phillips made a motion to adopt the Non-Uniform Pension Disclosure Statement, second by Vice-Chairman Thomason; motion carried.

LMMA-Status of American Rescue Plan Funds

Well 3 project & major sewer line project

Marty Scholand was representing Lake Meade Municipal Authority requesting an update on the status of American Rescue Plan Funds. LMMA is requesting some of the funds to help with the Well 3 project and a major sewer line project. Attorney Smith stated the dust is still settling and she is waiting on the question-and-answer reports from the Treasury. She would not allocate any of the money just yet. As of now the money can be used for the following.

1. Economic and public health concerns
2. Essential pay increase

3. Tax revenue loss
4. Broadband, water, and sewer

Attorney Smith stated it is still premature to decide yet. Mr. Scholand stated Reading Township has 852 home in Lake Meade and makes of 74% of the development. He stated they could use assistance from the ARPF.

Ordinance amending Zoning Ordinance sign regulations - consider and refer to public hearing

Attorney Smith discussed the changes in the Zoning Ordinance amending sign regulations. Before it will be referred to public hearing, the Planning Commission will have a chance to review the changes.

Codes administration/enforcement ordinance consider and refer to public hearing

Mr. Phillips approved the Codes administration/enforcement ordinance for public hearing to be held on March 21st Board of Supervisors meeting at 6:02 pm, second by Vice-Chairman Thomason; motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report for the month of January were approved pending audit on a motion by Mr. Phillips, second by Vice-Chairman Thomason; motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

The Board acknowledged receiving reports from the Police, Public Works, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer and Building Inspector, Emergency Management, and Northeast Adams Fire & EMS.

Mr. Phillips made a motion to accept the Administrative Reports as presented, second by Vice Chairman Thomason; motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Legislative and caselaw update

Attorney Smith reviewed the legislative and caselaw updates.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jennifer Goldhahn questioned whether Mr. Scholand was requesting a million dollars for the LMMA. Mr. Heefner stated they are asking for any help they can get.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:03 pm on a motion by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Vice-Chairman Thomason; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Beard
Secretary/Treasurer