

REGULAR MEETING

Township Building and called to order at 6:03 pm by Kevin Holtzinger, Chairman. Vice Chairman Greg Heefner and Jason Phillips were present with Chairman Holtzinger presiding over the meeting.

Kevin Fox, Gannett Fleming; Dean Shank and Gary Bullock, EMC; Bill Ceravola, Officer in Charge; Gerald Shank, Planning Commission; Andrew Merkle and Laura Neiderer, Adams County Transportation Planning Organization; George Wolf, Wes Thomason, and Jeff and Luanne Megonnell.

Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC HEARING

Consideration and Action on Ordinance amending the code of the township of Reading, Adams County, Pennsylvania, chapter 110, zoning, to comply with Pennsylvania's small wireless facilities deployment act, act 50 of 2021, by adding the small wireless facility use as a permitted use in a right-of-way in all zoning districts, related definitions, application procedures, and standards and requirements

Chairman Holtzinger opened the hearing for public comments.

Wes Thomason asked how far apart the poles must be. Attorney Smith stated it is the carrier of the poles to make that decision. Usually, they are several hundred feet apart.

Jason Grim asked if the Township has any say on the placement of the poles. Attorney stated if there are safety features it can be discussed and the Township will need a document stated why it is not an ideal place. The Township must communicate with the zoning officer and the zoning officer has limited time to act. Act 50 does not address moving poles.

Chairman Holtzinger closed the public hearing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Board met in executive session until 9:25 pm after September's BOS meeting to discuss: Personnel Litigation (Old's, Snyder) and possible litigation (Hampton Heights Administrative Fees Dispute, Chesterfield roads)

October 8th, 2021 was the Budget Meeting.

Chairman Holtzinger stated Church Road should reopen Tuesday afternoon or Wednesday according to the contractor.

MINUTES

Minutes from the September 20, 2021, Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Heefner, second by Mr. Phillips; motion carried unanimously.

Minutes from the October 7, 2021, budget meeting were approved with correction on a motion by Mr. Heefner, second by Mr. Phillips; motion carried unanimously.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Bond Release for Hampton Heights Phase III

Mr. Fox received a bond release request for Hampton Heights Phase III in the amount of \$20,860.00. The only issue Mr. Fox has with the request is on Alexis way there is no warning course. There is also an outstanding invoice owed to the Township in the amount of \$1,560.00. Mr. Fox's recommendation was to release the bond in the amount of \$6,496.00 after the outstanding invoice has been paid. Mr. Heefner made a motion to release \$6,496.00 of the bond request contingent on the outstanding invoice being paid, second by Mr. Phillips; motion carried.

Nell Subdivision Plan

SALD #2021-06

The Board of Supervisors acknowledged receiving a 90-day extension letter of the Township's review process.

Dollar General

Drainage Issue

Mr. Fox stated there is water in the basin which should not be there. He will draft a letter to Dollar General stating the drainage pipe is not working.

Chesterfield

Mr. Fox had a meeting with the developer of Chesterfield to discuss the water flow on the driveways to the basin. They would like to have the roads dedicated to the Township.

BUSINESS MATTERS

Andrew Merkel and Laura Neiderer-ACTPO

Presentation on Long Range

Transportation Plan

Ms. Neiderer explained what ACTPO is. It is the Adams County Transportation Planning Organization and is the policy-making body that prioritizes and allocates funds for state owned and maintained assets, including roads, bridges, bicycle/pedestrian safety, and other

transportation-related improvements. The Long-Range Transportation Plan serves as the foundation for the Transportation Improvement Program. It is updated every 5 years. Ms. Neiderer questioned the Board as to whether there are any area's that need addressed. Below are the areas suggested.

1. Rt. 234 and Germany Road-Sight Distance issue
2. Fish and Game Road Rt. 234 to Bakers Watering Trough
3. Rt. 94 at Browns Dam Road-concerned with no turning lane
4. Lake Meade Road

**Approve JS Septic as
Authorized septic hauler**

Mr. Heefner made a motion to add JS Septic as an authorized septic hauler, second by Mr. Phillips; motion carried unanimously.

**Set fee for emergency clean-up
using Township equipment and employee**

Mr. Grim obtained pricing from local contractors and presented to the Board. Mr. Heefner made a motion to approve the updated rental fees of the equipment and operator, second by Mr. Phillips; motion carried unanimously.

Acknowledge Thank You Letters

The Board acknowledged receiving thank you letters from Rabbit Transit, Adams County Office on Aging, Adams Community Library & Adams County SPCA for Township donations.

EMC Stipend for Dean Shank

Mr. Bullock requested an increase in Mr. Shank's stipend. It will be increased from \$500.00 a year to \$700.00 a year in January 2022.

**Planning Commission Terms Expire
William Bowen and John Biese**

The Board tabled this item. Chairman Holtzinger would like Ms. Mummert to contact Mr. Bowen and Mr. Biese to see if they would like to serve another term. Chairman Holtzinger stated if anyone would like to serve on the Planning Commission, please contact the Township office or the Board.

ORDINANCE

Mr. Heefner made a motion to accept the ordinance amending the code of the township of reading, Adams County, Pennsylvania, chapter 110, zoning, to comply with Pennsylvania's small wireless facilities deployment act, act 50 of 2021, by adding the small wireless facility use as a permitted use in a right-of-way in all zoning districts, related definitions, application procedures, and standards and requirements, second by Mr. Phillips; motion carried. The Ordinance number will be 2021-05.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report for the month of September was approved pending audit on a motion by Mr. Heefner, second by Mr. Phillips; motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

The Board acknowledged receiving reports from the Police; Public Works, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer and Building Inspector, Emergency Management, Northeast Adams Fire & EMS and United Hook and Ladder. Chairman Holtzinger requested a balance sheet from both Fire Companies.

Mr. Heefner made a motion to accept the Administrative Reports as presented, second by Mr. Phillips; motion carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

American Rescue Plan Funds

Attorney Smith stated the Department of Treasury has extended the deadline to file the first report until next year in the Spring sometime. They have not issued the final guidelines. Attorney Smith stated during a Secretary Luncheon there was a speaker from PSATS Accounting. He stated the Townships should not spend on Broadband or tourism industries and he would discourage from spending any of the money until the final guidelines are out.

Storm Ida

Attorney Smith stated there were there were a half dozen counties recognized for disaster funding.

Sign Ordinance

The Board authorized Attorney Smith to amend the sign ordinance for the Board's review.

Comcast

No further update on the Comcast Franchise Agreement.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jeff Megonnell stated he sat on Stoney Point Road where Officer Ceravola had the speed sign located. People were speeding and even after realizing they were over the speed limit they did not slow down. He stated people have no fear as to getting a speeding ticket. Louanne Megonnell stated people shoot off the round-a-bout going 55 to 60 miles per hour.

Wes Thomason wanted to know why the speed limit was 40 then they were working on the round-a-bout and went back to 45 when they were finished. Officer Ceravola stated it was improperly posted.

Mr. Phillips thanked Chairman Holtzinger for placing the mums in the round-a-bout.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned into an executive session at 7:39 pm on a motion by Mr. Heefner, seconded by Mr. Phillips; motion carried unanimously,

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Beard
Secretary/Treasurer