**REGULAR MEETING**

**June 17, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Reading Township Board of Supervisors was held at the Township Building and called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairman Wes Thomason. Vice Chairman Jason Phillips and Mike Weigand were also present with Chairman Thomason presiding over the meeting.

Others in attendance included Susan Smith, Solicitor, Law Offices of Susan Smith.

Trey Elrod, Gordon Brown, and Associates; Bill Ceravola, Officer in Charge; Jerry Shank, Planning Commission; Jason Grim, Public Works; Jeff and Luanne Megonnell, Kim Weigand, Vernon & Karen Grier, Keith Stine, Gary Myers, George Wolf, Nancy Stimer, Gary Bullock, Lee Miller, Ron Brown, and Emmert Hartzell Jr.

Pledge of Allegiance

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Executive session after May 20, 2024-7:30 – 7:55 litigation; pending litigation

**MINUTES**

Minutes from the May 20, 2024, Special Meeting were approved on a motion by Supervisor Phillips, second by Supervisor Weigand; motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Keith Stine wondered when the white lines are going to be painted on Stoney Point Road for speed control. The road crew will be painting the lines.

Emmert Hartzell asked the board if there was any new information on the jake brakes in Hampton. Supervisor Weigand stated it was approved and we are waiting for the placement of the signs. Mr. Hartzell thanked the board and road crew.

Chairman Thomason stated the recycle trailer is for residential use not commercial.

Keith Stine questioned Officer Ceravola as to whether the speed is being monitored on Stoney Point Road. Officer Ceravola stated that he has been monitoring it.

Jeff Megonnell stated Officer Ceravola pulled a motorcycle over near his house. Officer Ceravola state he was going 70 miles per hour.

Chairman Thomason would like Jason Grim to notify PennDOT and let them know the township needs more horse and buggy signs. He seen 11 horse and buggies on Sunday.

**Open Air Condition Bids**

Aero Energy-$79,984.00

Spotts Brothers-$47,000.00

GPS Griffith Plumbing Services-$82,047.50

Klunk’s HVAC LLC-$68,500.00

Baird-$79,185.00

Allison’s Plumbing & Heating-$67,640.00

Vice Chairman Phillips made a motion to table the bid decision until the board had a chance to compare line items on the bids, second by Supervisor Weigand; motion carried unanimously.

**ENGINEER’S REPORT AND PLANS**

**Conewago Ridge-time extension request**

**until November 30, 2024**

Vice Chairman Phillips made a motion to approve the time extension request until November 30, 2024, second by Chairman Thomason, Supervisor Weigand opposed; motion carried.

**SALD# 2024-03**

**Last Revised 05/15/24**

**Boland Final Land Development Plan**

**Nell Rd.**

**BOS Action Deadline: 07/15/24**

Vice Chairman Phillips made a motion to conditionally approve the Boland Final Land Development Plan with the conditions from Engineer Elrod’s comment letter dated May 29, 2024, second by Supervisor Weigand; motion carried unanimously.

*-****Modification §22-306.A.(30)*** *Wetlands report- motion by PC to recommend approval 06/03/24*

Vice Chairman Phillips made a motion to approve Modification §22-306.A.(30), second by Supervisor Weigand; motion carried unanimously.

*-****Waiver §22-403.2.C*** *Cartway Width- motion made by PC to recommend approval 06/03/24*

Vice Chairman Phillips made a motion to approve Waiver §22-403.2.C, second by Supervisor Weigand; motion carried unanimously.

*-****Waiver §22-516.1*** *Financial Security- motion made by PC to recommend approval 06/03/24*

Vice Chairman Phillips made a motion to approve Waiver §22-516.1, second by Supervisor Weigand; motion carried unanimously.

**SALD# 2024-02**

**Shank Final Subdivision Plan**

**160 Big Rock Rd.**

**BOS Action Deadline: 7/15/24**

Vice Chairman Phillips made a motion to conditionally approve the Shank Final Land Development Plan with the conditions from Engineer Elrod’s comment letter dated May 29, 2024, second by Supervisor Weigand; motion carried unanimously.

***-Waiver §22-303*** *Preliminary Plan- motion made by PC to recommend approval 06/03/24*

Vice Chairman Phillips made a motion to approve Waiver §22-303, second by Supervisor Weigand; motion carried unanimously.

***-Modification §22-306*** *Plan Scale- motion made by PC to recommend approval 06/03/24*

Vice Chairman Phillips made a motion to approve Modification §22-306, second by Supervisor Weigand; motion carried unanimously.

***-Waiver §22-403.2.C*** *Cartway Width- motion made by PC to recommend approval 06/03/24*

Vice Chairman Phillips made a motion to approve Waiver §22-403.2.C, second by Supervisor Weigand; motion carried unanimously.

***-Modification §22-306.A.(30)*** *Wetlands report- motion made by PC to recommend approval 06/03/24*

Vice Chairman Phillips made a motion to approve Modification §22-306.A., second by Supervisor Weigand; motion carried unanimously.

**business matters**

**ASA request of Becker**

The Board acknowledged receipt of the ASA request of Becker.

**Elected auditors raise Resolution**

Supervisor Weigand made a motion to adopt the resolution to raise the elected auditors’ hourly rate from $10.00 up to $18.00, second by Chairman Thomason; motion carried unanimously.

**Request for a time extension for removal of mulch pile**

Chairman Thomason made a motion to approve the time extension until July 1, 2024, with a charge of $30.00 per day for every day after July 1, 2024, second by Vice Chairman Phillips; Supervisor Weigand opposed.

**Police camera program $10,500 minus donation from**

**East Berlin VFW in the amount of $4000**

Officer Ceravola reached out to the East Berlin VFW for a donation towards the evidence software program. They donated $4000 towards the program. The rest of the money will come from the ARPA funds. Vice Chairman Phillips gave Officer Ceravola the permission go purchase to program, second by Supervisor Weigand; motion carried unanimously.

**County Review letter for Starners request for amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to allow lots greater than 3 acres to accommodate a distribution of parts of a family farm-Submit to the Planning Commission for review**

Vice Chairman Phillips made a motion to submit the letter from Adams County concerning Starners request to the Planning Commission for review, second by Chairman Thomason; motion carried unanimously.

**Acknowledge James Murtaugh of 472 Lake Meade Dr.**

**To serve on the LMMA Board of Directors**

**From January1, 2026 to January 1, 2028**

The board acknowledged the letter from the LMMA Board of Directors.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

The Treasurer’s Report for the month of May were approved pending audit on a motion by Vice Chairman Phillips, second by Supervisor Weigand; motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer’s report for April

State Fund MM $391,162.86

ARPA Fund $276,190.00

General Fund: $285,403.08

Total Income $294,090.02

Total Expenses $110,162.82

Net Income $183,927.20

**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, and Heidlersburg Fire Company.

Vice Chairman Phillips made a motion to accept the Administrative Reports as presented, second by Supervisor Weigand; motion carried unanimously.

**SOLICITOR REPORT**

Attorney Smith reviewed case law and legislative updates.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Gerald Shank asked what the resolution number will be for the auditor’s salary. Ms. Beard will check into it.

Chairman Thomason thanked Reading Township for the use of the Hampton Fire Hall/Community Center for his revival.

Mr. Megonnell commented on the speed cars travel in Hampton.

Officer Ceravola stated the crash in the Hampton Circle was a work van and he said he hit the brakes and nothing happened.

Mr. Myers wondered if the township received Mr. Holtzinger’s well test results. Chairman Thomason stated the township has not received anything.

There was conversation concerning the speed of the circle and the houses getting hit. Ms. Beard will contact PennDOT and Representative Ecker’s office.

**adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned into executive session at 7:48 pm on a motion by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Thomason; motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Beard

Secretary/Treasurer