

The meeting of the Douglass Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:06 P.M. Attending were Chairman Alan Keiser, Vice Chairman Joshua Stouch, Supervisor Tom Wynne, Solicitor Robert Brant, Josh Hagadorn of G&A, Pete Hiryak, Andrew Duncan, Mike Heydt, Chief Templin, and approximately 20 residents.

Mr. Keiser led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Reporters were present at this evenings meeting. Mr. Keiser announced that an Executive Session was held tonight prior to the meeting from approximately 6:10pm to 6:40pm involving personnel. No decisions or votes were taken.

Mr. Keiser asked if there were any additions, corrections, or comments to the minutes of the November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Board of Supervisors Meeting, none were given.

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Wynne to approve the minutes of the November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Board of Supervisors Meeting. Wynne-Aye, Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Keiser asked if there were any questions, comments, or corrections to the December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 Board of Supervisors Agenda, none were given.

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Wynne to approve the December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 Board of Supervisors Agenda. Wynne-Aye, Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye. Motion passed.

**Engineer's Report – Josh Hagadorn, Gilmore & Associates**

*Road Assessment* – On Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> I accompanied the Township Road Master, Township Manager, and Zoning/Building Code Officer in an assessment of a selection of roads budgeted for repairs in 2020, including – Pinehurst Way, Ashley Circle, and Roberts Road. We also reviewed the road conditions of Bow Lane and Summer Hill Drive for comparison and to determine long-term maintenance and prioritization over Summer Hill Drive. Additionally, Bow Lane and Robert's Road are in a state of disrepair that would require a higher priority than Summer Hill Drive. However, it is my opinion that any potholes in Summer Hill Drive and these other development roadways be immediately addressed with temporary cold patch in order to withstand winter snowplowing activities, and be permanently fixed with hot mix asphalt in the spring. With these repairs the condition of Summer Hill Drive will be satisfactory to maintain another year or two, before additional repair activities will be required. Mr. Heydt stated that the sewer line repairs should be finished so we can finally work on Bow Lane. Mr. Heydt and Mr. Hagadorn further explained the paving process and the different types of material used on the roads. The manager added that the roadway storm water/drainage system should be evaluated before any paving is started.

*Douglass Estates (Preserve) Flooding/Drainage Concerns Update* – We had a conference call with Ryan Homes, many sump pumps have been installed with some homes having two or three sump pumps. 16 homes were assessed by a sub-committee of the HOA. The manager stated that there were some issues with tree lines and fences along Detar Road that effect water flow and drainage, Mr. Hagadorn stated that some fences are blocking water from getting to the inlets. Ryan Homes intends to hire a private consultant to help address these and other drainage issues. Mr. Link asked if there are check valves on these sump pumps, Mr. Heydt stated that sump pumps must have check valves on them. Mr. Hazewski stated that he is waiting for the Wons' to sign the release agreement, Mr. Won works in Philadelphia and hasn't been able to get to the paperwork yet. Ryan Homes will be reaching out to the Wons'. Mr. Brant stated that he has a notary at his office if Mr. Won wants to stop there to sign the release agreement, we want to get this cleaned up so we can move forward. Mr. Hazewski stated that the pipe from the Stafy Tract has added to an existing drainage issue. Mr. Hagadorn said cutting a swale behind those properties would help elevate the problem. Mr. Hazewski stated that they will be selling their property and wants to say with confidence that this situation will be fixed.

Mr. Hagadorn said that he is also working on the reviews for 303/305 Gilbertsville Road, Stafy II, and the 151 Holly Road revised plan. No other questions were given.

A motion was made by Mr. Keiser, seconded by Mr. Wynne to accept the Engineer's Report as presented. Wynne-Aye, Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye. Motion passed.

**Solicitor's Report – Mr. Robert Brant, Esq.**

Mr. Brant stated that his office is working on the Hallowell Final Plan Resolution. No questions were given. Applications which are pending but inactive:

Graterford Properties – 400 Gilbertsville Road  
Holly Road – Neighborhood Mixed Use

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Wynne to accept the Solicitor's Report as given. Wynne-Aye, Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye. Motion passed.

**Manager's Report - Pete Hiryak**

1. The Manager reviewed the upcoming meetings as follows: Thursday December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 P/A Meeting @ 7pm, Monday December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 BOS Agenda Meeting @ 6:30pm, BOS Meeting @ 7pm, the Budget and Tax Resolution will be on the agenda for next meeting.
2. 2020 Meeting & Holiday Schedule - the manager asked for approval and authorization for advertisement of the 2020 Meeting Schedule & Holiday Schedule.

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Keiser for approval and authorization for advertisement of the 2020 Meeting Schedule & Holiday Schedule. Wynne-Aye, Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye. Motion passed.

3. Henry Road Bridge Update – The Montgomery County transfer agreement is finished, the Bog Turtle Study is completed, and the engineering is finalized. Bids will go out in February with construction to begin in spring/summer 2020.
4. Emergency Service Personnel Recognition – We will have an Emergency Recognition Ceremony at the December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Meeting, Mr. Brant's office was kind enough to provide refreshments after the meeting.

A resident on Congo Road said he heard that the Hallowell Tract is going to be developed in phases. The manager stated that the Hallowell Tract has been approved for 94 homes in a cluster development, but will be constructed in phases. Phase I will be 15 lots but the Board wants the infrastructure and storm water facilities for the whole development in place in Phase I. Mr. Link asked when the Act 209 Update will be available, the manager stated that the Act 209 Update will be available in January/February 2020.

A motion was made by Mr. Keiser, seconded by Mr. Stouch to accept the Manager's Report as presented. Wynne-Aye, Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye. Motion passed.

**Public Comment**

Mr. Updegrave asked if there is any information on the type of septic systems for the Hallowell Tract, Mr. Hagadorn said there will be public sewer and there must also be public water supplied. No other comments were given.

**Old Business/New Business**

Mr. Clifton from the Veteran's Coalition asked for approval for the use of Douglass Park for their Veteran's support events through 2020. January, February, and March will be hosted by the Fire Company. The events will be the fourth Saturday of every month from 9am-1pm, the Board did not see a problem with the use of Douglass Park. The manager announced that copies of the budget are available for review as well as posted in the lobby. No other business was given.

A motion was made by Mr. Keiser, seconded by Mr. Stouch to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm. Wynne-Aye, Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye. Motion passed.

**The next Board of Supervisor's Meeting will be held on Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 7 pm.**

Respectfully submitted by,  
Marcy Meitzler