

The meeting of the Douglass Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:01 P.M. Attending were Vice Chairman Tom Wynne, Supervisor Alan Keiser, Solicitor Robert Brant, Khal Hassan of Pennoni & Associates, Pete Hiryak, Mike Heydt, Chief Templin, and approximately 12 residents/developers.

Mr. Wynne led in the Pledge of Allegiance. A reporter was present at this evenings meeting. Mr. Brant announced that an Executive Session was held tonight prior to the meeting from approximately 6:00pm to 7:00pm involving potential litigation matters. No decisions or votes were taken. Mr. Brant also announced that the outside public hearings originally scheduled for this evening (the proposed R-4 Density Amendment for Avante Apartments and the proposed M-1 Office & Light Industrial Building Height Amendment for a proposed Medical Facility at 1111 Grosser Road) have been postponed due to an excessive heat warnings and will be rescheduled for Tuesday, August 18th, 2020 to be held at Binder Hall at the Gilbertsville Fire Company at 6:30pm. It is in your best interest to attend the public hearings if you have questions or concerns on either of these proposed amendments, Mr. Brant added that no approvals have been given or actual plans even submitted for either of these proposals. No questions were given.

Mr. Wynne asked if there were any additions, corrections, or comments to the minutes of June 15th, 2020 Board of Supervisors Meeting, none were given.

A motion was made by Mr. Keiser, seconded by Mr. Wynne to approve the minutes of the June 15th, 2020 Board of Supervisors Meeting. Keiser-Aye, Wynne-Aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Wynne asked if there were any questions, comments, or corrections to the July 20th, 2020 Board of Supervisors Agenda, none were given.

A motion was made by Mr. Keiser, seconded by Mr. Wynne to approve the July 20th, 2020 Board of Supervisors Agenda as presented. Keiser-Aye, Wynne-Aye. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report (Authorization to pay the bills) – Peter Hiryak

Manager Hiryak stated that the bills to be paid for June 2020 total \$360,030.49. Manager Hiryak stated that this includes several road projects in the Township, Mr. Heydt stated that we did many tar & chip road improvements through using liquid fuels fund. Manager Hiryak also stated that this included the payment for the new police truck from Fred Beans, Chief Templin stated that he will be talking about the vehicle at the next meeting. No questions were given on the bills.

A motion was made by Mr. Keiser, seconded by Mr. Wynne for authorization to pay the June 2020 Unpaid Bills in the amount of \$360,030.49. Keiser-Aye, Wynne-Aye. Motion passed.

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

Manager's Report - Pete Hiryak

1. The Manager reviewed the upcoming meetings as follows: Thursday, August 13th, 2020 P/A Meeting @ 7pm, Workshop for Landscape Ordinance Review @ 6pm. Monday, August 17th, 2020 BOS Agenda Meeting @ 6:30pm, BOS Meeting @ 7pm.
2. 2020 Census Continuing – Montgomery County responses are at 70 -73%, Douglass Township is at 80% responses. Montgomery County residents are urged to complete these census forms by mail, phone, or online. Funding is determined by the responses.
3. Trash/Recycling Contract – An Invitation to Bid will be advertised, this bid will address the proposed Tote System hopefully beginning January 2021.
4. Rick Mast – Country View “Hallowell Tract” Phase I Final Resolution – Mr. Brant stated that Mr. Mast asked for Final Approval of Country View “Hallowell Tract” (117 acres) Phase I for 15 Lots and a Farm

Estate Lot. Conditions are placed in the resolution as required including; compliance to Engineers and MCPC specifications, provide engineering estimated costs for improvement, provide Farm Lot descriptions, HOA provided easements including snow removal areas, review sewer fees. All requirements must be met before construction. Mr. Link asked about Act 209 Fees, Mr. Mast stated that Act 209 Fees come to about \$267,000.00 and it was negotiated that approximately \$300,000.00 of improvements to Congo Road (from Hoffmansville Road to Linsenbeidler Road) will be completed in lieu of the fees. Mr. Smith asked if this was only for 15 lots, the manager said yes, and stated that the Township Engineer will do another final plan review for the remaining 92 lots. Mr. Mast stated that Preliminary Plan Approval was given back in 2014 this is how long we have been working on this. Mr. Hunter asked if the lots would have on-site wells, Mr. Mast replied this will be public water lines, no on-site wells proposed. The manager questioned that there will be a pumping station for sewer, Mr. Mast replied yes, a pumping station will be constructed for the service to flow to an existing line located at Linsenbeidler Road. No other questions were given.

A motion was made by Mr. Keiser, seconded by Mr. Wynne to approve the Final Plan Resolution #072020-1 for Country View "Hallowell Tract" Phase I for 15 Lots and a Farm Estate Lot. Keiser-Aye, Wynne-Aye. Motion passed.

5. Escrow Releases

- a. Zern Tract Phase I Release #10 (\$46,850.85) – G&A recommends reduction of the escrow in the amount of \$46,850.85. The amount remaining in escrow will be \$1,166,644.82.

A motion was made by Mr. Wynne, seconded by Mr. Keiser to approve, based on the recommendation of Gilmore & Associates, Escrow Release #10 in the amount of \$46,850.85 for the Zern Tract Phase I Development with \$1,166,644.82 remaining in the escrow. Keiser-Aye, Wynne-Aye. Motion passed.

- b. Moyer Mooney Storage Facility, Release #2 (\$1,059,503.12) – G&A recommends reduction of the escrow in the amount of \$1,059,503.12. The amount remaining in the escrow will be \$201,406.02.

A motion was made by Mr. Keiser, seconded by Mr. Wynne to approve, based on the recommendation of Gilmore & Associates, Escrow Release #2 in the amount of \$1,059,503.12 for the Moyer Mooney Storage Facility with \$201,406.02 remaining in the Escrow. Keiser-Aye, Wynne-Aye. Motion passed.

6. Authorization for Legal Review, PARRC Agreement & Ordinance – Manager Hiryak asked for authorization for Mr. Brant to review the PARRC Agreement & Ordinance which involves the Pottstown Area Regional Recreation Committee agreement and the seven area municipalities involved. The Board of Supervisors agreed to give Mr. Brant authorization to review the PARRC Agreement & Ordinance. No questions were given on the Manager's Report.

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

Public Hearings – Mr. Brant announced at the beginning of the meeting that the Public Hearings scheduled for outside this evening have been rescheduled due to a heat advisory warning and health concerns. The proposed R-4 Density Amendment involving Avante Apartments and the proposed M-1 Office & Light Industrial Building Height Amendment involving the proposed Medical Facility at 1111 Grosser Road will be rescheduled and re-advertised for a special meeting to be held on Tuesday, August 18th, 2020 at 6:30pm at Binder Hall at the Gilbertsville Fire Company (parking and entrance in rear of building).

Old Business/New Business

The manager gave the following Township bridge updates; Henry Road bridge construction is ready to begin, PennDot will be looking to construct the Congo Road bridge next year 2021, and PennDot will begin surveying and engineering work for the Niantic Road bridge project. No questions were given.

Public Comment

No public comment was given.

A motion was made by Mr. Keiser, seconded by Mr. Wynne to adjourn the meeting at 7:20pm. Keiser-Aye, Wynne-Aye. Motion passed.

The next Board of Supervisor's Meeting will be held on Monday, August 17th, 2020 @ 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,
Marcy Meitzler