

**SCOTT TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
MINUTES—OCTOBER 21, 2020**

The Scott Township Board of Supervisors met on the above date by means of Zoom, a videoconferencing app. The meeting date, time, and app connection requirements were advertised in the local newspaper. The meeting was called to order at 12:01 p.m. In attendance were Supervisors William G. Hafner, Kathleen A. Lynn, Paul R. Eyerly IV, Lanny R. Sheehan, and Dennis N. Wildt. Solicitor Anthony J. McDonald from Marinos, McDonald & Knecht LLP, Engineer Todd Pysher of Pysher & Associates, Inc., Police Chief Raymond J. Klingler, Maintenance Supervisor Mark J. Koons, and Secretary/Treasurer Brittany M. Stasik were also in attendance.

**QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

No questions appearing.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the September 16, 2020 regular meeting, the September 24 and October 2 special meetings, and the October 9 budget work session were presented for approval. Mr. Eyerly made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Ms. Lynn seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

**APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS**

The September Budget, Police, Roads, Treasurer's, Zoning Reports and the Tri-County COG IBC Inspection Service Report were presented for approval. Mr. Wildt made a motion to approve the reports as presented. Mr. Sheehan seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS TO BE PAID**

The September 17 through October 21 General Fund bills to be paid were presented as one electronic funds transfer and check numbers 16441–16494 for \$173,658.41. In addition, the Liquid Fuels Fund bills to be paid were presented as check numbers 1789–1791 for \$39,074.44. Mr. Sheehan made a motion to approve the bills to be paid. Mr. Wildt seconded and the motion carried 4-0, with Mr. Eyerly abstaining due to a conflict of interest regarding the Press Enterprise payment, check number 16466.

**SUBDIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENT**

Regarding the Helen E. Adler Preliminary/Final Incorporation Subdivision Plan, Ms. Stasik explained this would transfer a 1386.2 square-foot parcel from Mrs. Adler's property at 8 Clifton Drive to the adjoining neighbor's parcel. Mr. Pysher reviewed the plan in a letter, dated September 15, 2020, and had no review comments. The Township Planning Commission reviewed the plan and recommended that the Board approve it. The County Planning Commission reviewed the plan, with comments noting that the cartway width and right-of-way width of Friar Lane should be shown on the plan, and that the square footage in the plan note should be corrected. Matthew Laidacker, PLS, Orangeville Surveying Consultants, Inc., provided a revised plan that addressed those comments. Ms. Lynn made a motion to approve the plan with no conditions. Mr. Eyerly seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Regarding the Mariano Residential Minor Subdivision Plan, Ms. Stasik explained the Board approved this at the July 15 meeting with the condition that Mr. Pysher and Barry Travepiece, P.E., Resource Conservationist for the Columbia County Conservation District, review and approve the stormwater management plan. A separate stormwater management plan was required because of the amount of impervious surface that this single-family dwelling project would create. Andrew Barton, P.E., of LIVIC Civil, and Mr. Martin Mariano attended to represent the applicant, Amanda Nungesser. LIVIC Civil submitted a request for two waivers from the Stormwater Management Ordinance in a letter dated October 21, 2020. The first is a waiver from Section 118-14.A(1), to permit the 1-year and 2-year post development peak discharge rates to exceed the respective pre-development peak discharge rates by not more than 0.5 cubic feet per second (cfs). The second request is a waiver from Chapter 118, Appendix A.III.B.6, to permit the minimum top width of the proposed stormwater basin to be eight feet instead of ten feet. Mr. Pysher explained why he recommends granting the waivers due to the permeability of the type of soil on the property for the first waiver request. As for the second request regarding the basin design, there are site constraints due to the topography. The eight-foot berm complies with the State requirements. Mr. Pysher stated the eight feet dimension is in the east/west direction, and the berm in the north/south direction is twelve feet wide. Both Mr. Eyerly and Mr. Hafner expressed concern that the Board is being asked to act on paperwork that is received the day of the meeting, rather than having time to review it and ask questions of Mr. Pysher. Mr. Eyerly made a motion to grant the waiver requests. Mr. Hafner seconded and the motion carried 5-0. Mr. Barton asked if all the comments are addressed. Mr. Pysher stated there will be review comments that they can discuss off-line. Mr. Mariano expressed frustration regarding the duration and the cost of this project.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Regarding the 2021 Compost Site Agreement with the Town of Bloomsburg, Mr. Koons stated he does not have any new information. Mr. Eyerly outlined changes to the agreement that he submitted to the Town, but he has not received a response. After discussion, the Board tabled this.

Mr. Pysher provided an update on the Lion's Gate project. The developer started construction of Building 300, which is in violation of the conditions of the Land Development Plan approval. The developer also does not have an approved Zoning Permit for that work. Stephen Bielskie, Sr., Building Code Official and Administrator of the Tri-County COG IBC Inspection Service, issued a Stop Work Order. Mr. McDonald and Mr. Pysher recommended that the Township Zoning Officer issue a Notice of Violation.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Regarding an amendment to the Solar Panel Ordinance, Ms. Stasik stated John R. Varaly, AICP, of Varaly Associates, Professional Planning Consultants, provided the Township with a draft. She contacted Mr. Varaly to request that he provide a draft that contains fewer changes to the original ordinance. The Board agreed to have the Administration Committee review the revised draft, with a hearing for adoption possibly scheduled for the November 18 meeting.

Regarding the 2021 Budget, Mr. Hafner asked if anyone had any changes to the Preliminary Budget. Mr. Koons requested that the Board add back in half of the streetlight electricity costs, \$23,000, and remove the \$15,500 budgeted for a Kubota lawn mower. Mr. Eyerly noted a budget is only a best estimate of what the Township plans to do, and unless there was a compelling reason, he did not recommend adjusting any numbers. After considerable discussion regarding the use of Liquid Fuel versus General Fund monies, Mr. Hafner stated he recommended passing the Budget, shifting monies around as needed, and if necessary postponing buying equipment next year. Ms. Lynn made a motion to accept the 2021 Preliminary Budget as presented. Mr. Eyerly seconded and the motion carried 4-1, with Mr. Wildt dissenting. Ms. Lynn made a motion to authorize Ms. Stasik to send the necessary advertisement to the newspaper. Mr. Hafner seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Because of lack of communication from the IT consultant that the Township normally uses, Chief Klingler requested permission to contact another technology specialist. The Board agreed and recommended checking on the cost of other IT consultants.

Mr. Wildt made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Eyerly seconded and the motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 1:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Brittany M. Stasik  
Secretary/Treasurer