

PENN TOWNSHIP
Board of Supervisors
Regular Meeting Minutes – Finnen Community Room
Wednesday, February 3, 2021
6:00 P.M.

The Penn Township Board of Supervisors held their February regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 3, 2021.

Present:

Victor Mantegna, Chair
William O'Connell, Vice Chair
Curtis Mason, Sr., Supervisor
Jay Ennis, Supervisor
Laura Sperratore, Supervisor
Dennis O'Neill, Township Engineer
Karen Versuk, Director of Operations
Scott Steele, Chair, Planning Commission
Jim Davidson, Property Owner
Joe Davidson
Marcella Peyre-Ferry, Chester County Press
Donald May, Resident
Jim Mundell, Resident
Henry Guariello, AGSD
Terry DeGroot, AGSD
Resident

Call to Order: Board Chair Mantegna announced that the Supervisors attended an executive session with the Solicitor prior to the Regular board meeting.

Public Comment: Resident Donald May complimented the public works crew for their handling of the recent snowstorm.

1. **Approve Meeting Minutes:** Supervisor O'Connell made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the work session meeting on January 20, 2021. Seconded by Supervisor Ennis. All in favor. Motion passed 5-0. **Treasurer's Report/Approve Invoices:** Supervisor O'Connell made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and pay the invoices, seconded by Supervisor Ennis. All in favor. Motion passed 5-0. **Preibe Escrow Release:** Supervisor Sperratore made a motion to authorize the escrow release for Preibe which was approved by Township Engineer Dennis O'Neill in the amount of \$290.00. Seconded by Supervisor O'Connell. All in favor. Motion passed 5-0.
2. **Supervisor's Reports: Red Rose Inn** – Supervisor Ennis had no new report.
Chester Water Authority – Supervisors O'Connell had no new report. Supervisor Mason encouraged residents to continue to contact legislators in support of CWA.
Engineering Report:

- a. **AGSD Update:** Township engineer Dennis O'Neill addressed the impending request from AGSD for a road opening permit and detour associated with the high school project. Terry de Groot and Henry Guariello responded to the Supervisors's inquiries regarding notification of residents and emergency services. They confirmed that roadwork would be done only between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. The motion to approve the detour and road opening was made by Supervisor Sperratore. Seconded by Supervisor Ennis. All in favor. Motion passed 5-0.
 - b. **Phillips Mushrooms:** No update.
 - c. **Big Elk:** No update.
 - d. **Jennersville Farm:** Escrow release #3 in the amount of \$21,436.00 was approved by Township Engineer Dan Daley. The motion to release was made by Supervisor Mantegna. Seconded by Supervisor Sperratore. All in favor. Motion passed 5-0.
3. **Planning Commission Report:** Planning Commission Chair Scott Steele stated that the PC would be meeting on February 24.
 4. **Historical Commission Report:** Historical Commission Vice Chair Scott Steele stated that the Historical Commission would have its first meeting since the beginning of pandemic on Feb. 25. At that time, they would be discussing resuming work at the Red Rose and the potential for a Red Rose Rent Day in September.
 5. **Active Recreation Committee Report:** No report.
 6. **Road Master Report:** Road Master Versuk and Township Engineer Dennis O'Neill recommended the roadwork for liquid fuels for 2021. For consideration were several roads, but the recommended roads were Pusey Mill, W. Ewing from 796 to Lewis Road, and the section of Woodcrest Road which has not yet been repaved. Supervisor Ennis made the motion, seconded by Supervisor O'Connell. All in favor. Motion passed 5-0. Proposals for John Deere Gators and Kubota were provided for consideration. Supervisor Ennis made the motion to purchase a John Deere 4-seater Gator in the amount of \$18,505.00. A discussion as to whether to trade in an old Gator plow and sweeper took place. Supervisors left it up to the discretion of the staff as to whether it was worth trading in or selling. Trade in value for the attachments was \$500. Motion to purchase was seconded by Supervisor O'Connell. All in favor. Motion passed 5-0.
 7. **Emergency Manager Update:** No report.
 8. **Operations Report:** Items budgeted for 2021 were offered for consideration to the Board including a propane tank for the shop at the salt shed. Supervisor Ennis made a motion to purchase a Salamander 300,000 btu propane heater not to exceed \$1000. Seconded by Supervisor O'Connell. All in favor. Motion passed 5-0. A proposal to construct a lean to at the salt shed from Graber Supply was considered and approved. The motion was made by Supervisor O'Connell. Seconded by Supervisor Ennis. All in favor. Motion passed 5-0. The Board considered a proposal from Alger to install a diesel fuel tank at the salt shed with a cost of \$5300. The motion was made by Supervisor Mantegna. Seconded by Supervisor Ennis. All in favor. Motion passed 5-0.
 9. **Other:**

Adjourn: Board Chair Mantegna made a motion to adjourn at 7 p.m. Seconded by Vice Chair O'Connell. All in favor. Motion passed 5-0.

Submitted by Caitlin A. Ianni, Township Secretary