

Board of Supervisors, Palmyra Township, Pike County, November 4, 2020

CALL TO ORDER:

The November 4, 2020 meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Palmyra Township, Pike County, PA was called to order at 7:00 PM at the Township Building, Paupack, PA with the following members present: Simons, Ehrhardt and Coutts. Also present for the Township was Solicitor Waldron and Administrator Rose.

MINUTES/BILLS/RECEIPTS:

On motion by Mr. Coutts, seconded by Mr. Ehrhardt, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the October 20, 2020 meeting were approved. Bills in the amount of \$28,662.98 were approved for payment and receipts in the amount of \$23,300.30 were reported with a list of each on file.

PUBLIC:

JOHNSON RESIDENTIAL, LLC – CONDITIONAL USE

Mitchell Jacobs, Kiley Associates and Joshua Johnson, principal of Johnson Residential LLC was in attendance seeking approval of a conditional use application filed with the township. A public hearing was held prior to the Supervisors Meeting at 6:30 PM. There was no one in attendance opposing the application. Solicitor Waldron advised the Supervisors the application was in order but suggested some conditions to attach to the approval. They were as follows: (1) Approval of sewage system by SEO Martin; (2) If the use changes in the future parking may need to be increased and it will need to be addressed at that time; (3) All construction equipment and building materials will be housed inside; (4) No tractor trailers entering the property. On a motion by Mr. Coutts, seconded by Mr. Ehrhardt and unanimously carried the conditional use application was approved with those conditions.

AMENDMENT TO PENSION PLAN – ORDINANCE NO. 136-2020

Chairman Simons took up the matter of the proposed amendment to the Palmyra Township Pension Plan. The amendment would provide for the township contributing 8% to the employee plan with the Commonwealth reimbursing the 8%. On a motion by Mr. Ehrhardt, seconded by Mr. Simons, an abstention by Mr. Coutts Amendment 136-2020 was adopted.

MMO -2021

Mrs. Rose had prepared for Chairman Simons signature a new Minimum Municipal Obligation to reflect the 8% contribution figure. On a motion by Mr. Ehrhardt, seconded by Mr. Simons, an abstention by Mr. Coutts the MMO was executed by Chairman Simons.

PALMYRA TOWNSHIP BEACH – DREDGING

Mrs. Rose said the township was contacted by Joseph Regenski who owns the adjacent property about whether the township was considering dredging their beach area in 2021. The Board discussed the matter, and it was decided it would be a good time to do it and it had not been done since 2001. Accordingly, the Supervisors authorized proceeding with a permit application to do same.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Waldron reported on the following:

DIERBERGER LOT COMBINATION:

Solicitor Waldron had reviewed and approved a lot combination for Ralph Dierberger and Gloria Dierberger. Lots 118 and 119, Pennwood Development, will be combined to form one new lot henceforth to be known

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and designated as *Lot 118-R, Pennwood*. On a motion by Mr. Coutts, seconded by Mr. Ehrhardt and unanimously carried the deed was approved.

CAMPBELL LOT COMBINATION:

Solicitor Waldron had reviewed and approved a lot combination deed for Richard J. Campbell and Kathleen Campbell. Lots 5, 13, 14, and Part of Lot 15, Section 4, Fairview Lake were combined to form one new lot henceforth to be known and designated as *Lot 5R*. On a motion by Mr. Coutts, seconded by Mr. Ehrhardt and unanimously carried the lot combination was approved.

PA ONE CALL VIOLATION

Solicitor Waldron reported to the Board he had once again sent a letter to PA One Call concerning the violation notice and fine the township continues to receive. In his letter he explained the township is not responsible for the roads in private developments and accordingly not responsible for any fine associated with digging with getting the proper permit. He gave Mrs. Rose a copy for the township files.

ZONING VIOLATIONS

Solicitor Waldron advised the Board the zoning violation of George and Sandra Irish has been resolved. He also advised the Pocono Gas Stations violation has been resolved as the owner will be applying for a permit to place a sea container on the property to house the tires.

SUNSET HARBOUR HOA

Solicitor Waldron addressed a letter received by the township from Sunset Harbour Homeowners Association concerning excessive noise from the Silver Birches Resort. During the pandemic, the restaurant has been allowing events to be held outside in a tented area. The adjoining property owners find the noise to be excessive. Given that Solicitor Waldron represents the owners of the resort he could not take a position on it but offered to speak to his client and report back to the Board.

ROAD MAINTENANCE FOREMAN'S REPORT:

Mr. Mathews reported that there is a new company servicing the metal container. He also reported that the roof evaluation had been completed and should have a report and recommendation by the week's end.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

CORRESPONDENCE:

10-23-2020

Wallenpaupack Historical Society

Thank-you

10-26-2020

Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board

Boat House Transfer