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**SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 18, 2022**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**Present:** Supervisors Tim Stiffy, Joe Mattace and Marcus Kohan, Solicitor Bogaty, Administrator Lucinda G. Lipko, Roadmaster Jim Knight and Office Manager Shawn Swartz.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Tim Stiffy followed by The Pledge of Allegiance.

**Agenda Additions or Deletions:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**Administration and Finance:**

- a. A motion was made by Joe Mattace and seconded by Marcus Kohan to approve the Work Authorization from Gateway Engineers for the Water System Grove City Distribution Concept not to exceed \$8,000.00 to be paid from the EDA allocation to the township. All in favor, motion carried.
- b. A motion was made by Joe Mattace and seconded by Marcus Kohan to authorize Tim Stiffy to sign all paperwork for the Dirt, Gravel, and Low Volume Road Maintenance agreement for the culvert replacement project on Creek Road. All in favor, motion carried.
- c. Motion made by Marcus Kohan and seconded by Joe Mattace to approve paying wages only for Jim Knight to attend the PSATS Conference on April 25th, 26th, and 27th, 2022. All in favor, motion carried.
- d. A motion was made by Marcus Kohan and seconded by Joe Mattace to amend section 6.8.5 of the Employee Manual to read as follows: Leave to Attend Training – The Township seeks to support its employee’s efforts to stay current with best practices and required continuing education associated with a certification or license that is required for or enhances the employees ability to perform their job duties. Upon approval by the Township Supervisors, an employee may attend such training without charge against annual PTO. Any Springfield Township Employee, under the direction of the Township Supervisors, who attends the PSAT conference will be entitled to their standard daily compensation, lodging and mileage.
- e. The Board of Supervisors discussed and reviewed the proposed Bylaws, Resolutions Report and Nominations Report that will be presented at the PSATS Conference.
- f. The Board of Supervisors did not have any comments to Plain Grove Township on their Comprehensive Plan Draft, March 2022.

**Zoning and Land Development:** Shawn Swartz reported the continuation of prepping for Ratvasky Conditional Use, Sprando Subdivision and RISE Medical Marijuana Land Development.

**Sewer and Water:**

- a. Jim Knight reports he received a call to inspect and cap a sewage tap for a resident.
- b. Jim Knight reports that he will be present at the Duffy Development to scope the lines for a garage to tap into the house. He did tell the property owner that he will need flow/gallon numbers anticipated for this property.
- c. Jim Knight reports that he is waiting for a price from Mr. Bulfone on the pump guide system for the lift station.
- d. Jim Knight reports the next step for the Behm property is applying for an HOP application. A check from Mr. Behm in the amount of \$1,500.00 is needed prior to application being made.

**Roads and Bridges:**

- a. Jim Knight discussed ditch and culvert cleaning. Springfield Township took possession of the broom to start road sweeping (which should only take 2-3 days) then they will continue ditching and start seal coating Creek Road.
- b. A motion was made by Tim Stiffy and seconded by Joe Mattace to approve the Work Authorization from Gateway Engineers for the Creek Road Culvert Replacement Project not to exceed \$55,000.00. All in favor, motion carried.
- c. Jim Knight reviewed the 2022 Sealcoating bids. The core project total is \$92,055.12 (at the price of \$1.24 per square yard). The Board of Supervisors budgeted work up to \$100,000.00. To do the core project and all optional jobs it will total \$117,852.08. After discussion it was agreed to add Veterans Road to Old Mercer (on the optional work) at the cost of \$3,273.60 with a total cost of \$95,328.72.

**Public Works:**

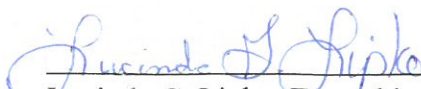
- a. Jim Knight discussed Spring Road and the structural deficiencies. He spoke with Chuck at Sonntag Excavating to get estimates for increasing the cartway between ditch lines to twenty feet and restructuring the road. The estimates for the binder and the overlay total \$235,932.40. There would also be three culverts (at approximately \$9,983.25) plus material and installation. The Roadmaster, Supervisor Tim Stiffy and Solicitor Bogaty will have a meeting with the resident offering to assist with the repairs.

**Solicitor Report:** Solicitor Bogaty reports he sent out the easements to the five property owners for the Multi-Modal Trail Phase II requesting them to donate the land to the township. If property owners do not want to donate the township will file for eminent domain. There will be a meeting with Solicitor Bogaty and Gateway Engineers and the property owners at 6:00 pm prior to the May 3, 2022 meeting.

**Correspondence:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Joe Mattace and seconded by Marcus Kohan to adjourn the public meeting at 8:40 pm to Executive Session for personnel – job duties with no business following.

  
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Lucinda G. Lipko, Township Secretary