

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING NOVEMBER 6, 2024 7:00 P.M.

Present: Supervisors Tim Stiffy and Marcus Kohan. Also present were Road Foreman Jim Knight, Gateway Engineer Jim Naret, and Township Administrator Lucinda Lipko.

Also Present: Gail (Pat) Jackson, Dave Swartz, Sue Schepp, John Ayers, Lisa Ayers, William Hohmann, and Braden Byler.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The board observed a moment of silence for the passing of Supervisor Joe Mattace.

Agenda Additions or Deletions: 5-A Discussion of the fulfillment of Joe Mattace term was moved here so members of the audience that were interested in filling the position could speak.

Public Comment: None

Fire Department Report: None

Administration and Finance:

- a. A motion was made by Tim Stiffy to table this motion until 11/18/2024. Seconded by Marcus Kohan, motion carried.
- b. A motion was made by Marcus Kohan to amend the previous motion of October 21, 2024, for the 2025 November 4th meeting to November 5th for the Board of Supervisors. Seconded by Tim Stiffy, motion carried.
- c. A motion was made by Marcus Kohan to advertise Ordinance #1-2024- Solar Ordinance. Seconded by Tim Stiffy, motion carried.
- d. A motion was made by Marcus Kohan to authorize a transfer of \$ 179,267.00 in undesignated General Fund balance to the Capital Fund pursuant to the township's undesignated fund balance policy (Resolution #12-2017). Seconded by Tim Stiffy, motion carried.
- e. A motion was made by Marcus Kohan to approve Change Order #1 from State Pipe Services, Inc. in the amount of \$ 20,500.00 to be paid from the Capital Fund. Seconded by Tim Stiffy, motion carried.

- f. The board discussed applying for the Mercer County Beautification Grant for lighting on the eight poles identified along Rt. 208 to light a portion of Phase 2 of the Multi-Modal Trail Project.
- g. A motion was made by Marcus Kohan to apply for the Mercer County Beautification Grant. Seconded by Tim Stiffy, motion carried.

Zoning and Land Development: five building permits, and two occupancy permits were issued in October 2024.

Sewer and Water: Jim Knight reported State Pipe is done on the point repair on the east bound lane. Next is behind Country Fair, then to Sunny Burke's property. They are going to start CCTV soon.

Trumbold will be out on the 20thth to start, and they expect the rest of the units in December.

Roads and Bridges: Jim Knight reported that two of the three trucks are ready for snow. The paving on Leesburg dead end will be done by the end of the week.

Marcus reported that the smaller dumps headlights are not even. This was caused by a head on collision a few years ago, and it needs to be addressed.

Engineer's Report:

Jim Naret reported the following:

- The strain poles have been installed at Old Ash Road and the battery backup foundations at all the other intersections have been poured. An equipment change order was submitted that will reduce the project cost by approximately \$14,438.00 for the ARLE Grant Signal Project.
- State Pipe Services if performing the sewer repairs under the ARPA PA Small Water and Sewer Grant.
- Gateway prepared the Phase 3 Grant documents to be submitted to CFA (Grantor). The CFA has rejected the request to move the funding to the Phase 1 and Phase 2 improvements and will be rescinding the original Phase 3 grant funding.
- The discharge from Precision Finishing are elements in the water that are purified for use in the operations.

Public Works Report: Jim Knight stated that Rick Cameron and Dawson Kerr will be attending flagger training, and Jim has 8 hours for his sanitary sewer certification due by the end of the year.

Reports: Marcus Kohan reported that people are asking what is going on at the Hufnagel property. Also, there is a rumor about undocumented immigrants moving into the Microtel.

Correspondence:

The Fire Chief has approved the following requests for Fire Police:

- a. Request for Fire Police on November 9, 2024, at noon for traffic control for the Veterans Day Parade in Grove City. Any Veterans part of the Fire Police will be riding in the parade.
- b. Requested Fire Police on October 24, 2024, for traffic control at the Evens City Halloween Parade.

Public Comment:

Sue Schepp asked how the township is coming with the agreement for the siren placement. She has not heard from anyone. The Supervisors responded that Pete Dickson is supposed to be contacting her.

Dave Swartz asked if we were putting battery backups on the new signals. Jim Knight responded that each would have preemption and battery backup. The project should be completed in the next month. He wanted to know how much water Precision is going through. Jim Knight responded 3-5 thousand gallons a shift. Dan Gontz is reviewing their reports for protection of pollutants they sent us.

Dave also told the Supervisors that the owner of the Microtel applied for a grant for one hundred immigrants to housed in his hotel and did not receive it.

Executive Session: None

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Marcus Kohan to adjourn. Seconded by Tim Stiffy, motion carried.

The Springfield Township Board of Supervisors adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Lucinda G. Lipko, Secretary