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**SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**June 21, 2021**  
**7:00 p.m.**

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

**Also Present:** See attached sign-in sheet.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Dave Swartz.

**Convene:** A motion was made by Tim Stiffy and seconded by Joe Mattace to convene the regular business meeting following the Public Hearing for Eat'n Park's Conditional Use Sign Application. All in favor, motion carried.

**Agenda Additions or Deletions:** None

**Public Comment on Agenda Items:** None

**Administration and Finance:**

- a. Mark Turnley presented the 2020 Springfield Township Audit Report to the Board of Supervisors.
- b. A motion was made by Tim Stiffy and seconded by Joe Mattace to accept the Springfield Township audit report ending December 31, 2020. All in favor, motion carried.
- c. A motion was made by Tim Stiffy and seconded by Joe Mattace to approve Resolution #15-2021 Signature card from Mercer County State Bank for the new American Rescue Plan Funds account. All in favor, motion carried.
- d. A motion was made by Tim Stiffy and seconded by Joe Mattace to approve the Tax Collector, Christi Cratty, collecting taxes at the Springfield Township Building starting in August through December. All in favor, motion carried.
- e. After discussion, the Board of Supervisors decided the Fire Department will file their own worker's compensation claims.
- f. Solicitor Bogaty presented the first draft of the proposed ordinance to regulate certain businesses and commercial enterprises and enforcement to the Board of Supervisors for review.
- g. The Board of Supervisors discussed the Route 19 Study. They will review the information submitted by Matt Stewart the Senior Planner of Mercer County Regional Planning Commission. The Township Administrator, Lucinda Lipko will contact Rick Dillaman about being the other township representative.

- h. Discussion of the dress code for the public works employees. The Board of Supervisors specified that the township supplies the employees with the appropriate attire (jeans and shirts) and shorts will not be allowed.

**Zoning and Land Development:**

- a. A motion was made by Tim Stiffy and seconded by Joe Mattace to modify the condition for a new perc test from the April 19, 2021, approval for the Neshannock Estate Limited LLC subdivision, to state that the property owners, as a condition of the approval, comply with the requirements of DEP including but not limited to, any inspection, documentation or if necessary, a new perc test. All in favor, motion carried.
- b. There was discussion of chickens and roosters being kept in the Village Residential District. The Township Ordinance 4-2018; Section: 514 states- no male chickens (roosters) and limit of six (6) chickens (hens) shall be confined to a pen or fence. The resident was told to keep the chickens contained and off the neighbor's property. The township will do more investigating and get back to her.

**Sewer and Water:**

- a. A motion was made by Tim Stiffy and seconded by Joe Mattace to approve the quote from Sonntag Excavating Inc. in the amount of \$4,040.00 for culvert work on Pennsy Road and Pine Road. All in favor, motion carried.

**Roads, Bridges and Public Works:**

- a. A motion was made by Tim Stiffy and seconded by Joe Mattace to approve the quote from Richardson Tree and Landscaping for tree trimming along Route 208 in the amount of \$1,305.97. All in favor, motion carried.
- b. A motion was made by Tim Stiffy and seconded by Joe Mattace to advertise for bids for Cannery Road. All in favor, motion carried.

**Solicitor Report:** None

**Supervisors Report:**

- a. Dave Swartz provided the Financial Statement for the Neshannock Creek Watershed Joint Municipal Authority to be filed at the township.

**Building Permits:** Office Manager Shawn Swartz reviewed the 06/02/2021-06/21/2021 building permits.

**Correspondence:** None

**Public Comment:**

- a. Ms. Melinda Menke presented asking if there were any updates on the chimney issue. The Board of Supervisors have none.
- b. Mr. Ray Menke presented asking about the sand/gravel pit that did testing across the road from his property on Pine Road. The Township has not been notified of any mining activity and no applications have been submitted.
- c. Mr. William Rendos presented with complaints of noise and confrontation from residents residing at 22 White Oak Road.

**Adjourn:** A motion was made by Dave Swartz and seconded by Tim Stiffy to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 PM. All in favor, motion carried.

  
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Lucinda G. Lipko, Township Secretary