

Main Township Supervisors Meeting
September 4, 2018 7:00 pm

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present for the meeting were:

Robert Frey, Supervisors

Lisa Schell, Secretary

Thomas Shuman, Supervisor

Larry Frace, Zoning Officer

Robert Baylor, Supervisor

Minutes of Meeting

Lisa read the minutes of the August 6, 2018 meeting. Mr. Bodman asked that under the section regarding tree trimming, that it be clarified that Mr. Turowski stated the person trimming the trees that extend over onto their property line will not be held responsible if something happens to the tree. Bob Baylor made a motion to accept the minutes as read with the clarification; Tom Shuman seconded the motion.

Treasurers Report

General Fund

Previous Balance in General Checking:	\$248,371.29
Deposits Received	\$ 30,227.05
Bills Paid	<u>\$ 17,679.59</u>
Current Balance	\$260,918.75

Employer Tax Account Fund

Previous Balance	\$ 1,039.90
PA UC Fund	\$ 671.11
PA Department of Revenue	<u>\$ 223.00</u>
Current Balance	\$ 145.79

Special Account

Current Balance	\$ 200.00
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State Fund

Previous Balance	\$227,263.41
Interest	<u>\$ 338.02</u>
Current Balance	\$227,601.43

Public Comment

Mike Canty stated that the paving on East Hillcrest looks good; however, there are two driveways that are not tapered, 763 and 751. Bobby Frey stated that most likely they are gravel driveways and stated that the only driveways that are tapered are ones that go to a driveway that has blacktop. Bobby also stated that the shoulder back-up has not been completed yet which will make a difference.

Bob Edwards asked if the work in Wonderview has been fixed yet. Bobby stated that Hammaker East just came back and they went over and re-did all the roads, not just Wonderview and everything looks good this time. Lisa contacted Catawissa Township to let them know so they can look at their portion; but as far as Main Township's everything is good, and we will now pay the bill. Dave Broadt also stated that the work looks good this time and the stone even stayed on the hill.

Mr. Orzolek stated that the grass is too high on the corner of Mt. Pink when pulling out to the east. Bobby stated that the township will be mowing once HRI is completed with the shoulder work.

Kim Orzolek stated that the new proposed zoning ordinance still does not provide a definition for an Air B&B or religious quarter. Bobby stated that Mr. Turowski or Carson Helfrich were not present to inquire about it. The zoning ordinance will not be finalized until a public hearing is held, which they are looking at dates in October as of now.

Mr. Bodman stated that since the blacktop work was done on Church Road the entrance to his driveway is very steep. Bobby suggested Mr. Bodman talk to HRI about it when they are doing the shoulder and ditch work.

Mr. Bodman also stated that the contractor really put a lot of grass seed on the bank but since it is such a hard surface he is concerned that it will take years to grow and if we receive a lot of rain from the hurricane it will all wash in the ditch and wanted to know who is responsible for it. Bobby stated that they need to give it time to germinate; however, if there are big issues with washouts, the township would call HRI back to make the necessary repairs.

Mr. Bodman also asked what the status of the Shuman appeal to the UCC board is. Larry Frace stated that there has been no update and the matter is still pending, awaiting a court date unless a settlement is reached prior to then.

Mr. Bodman also asked Mr. Frace if Dan Yeager notified him he was moving but that he still wanted to be on the UCC Appeal Board. Larry stated he did talk with Mr. Yeager.

Old Business

Zoning Ordinance/Map Changes

Mr. Turowski is working with Carson Helfrich on trying to set up the date for a Public Hearing in October.

Roadwork

Bobby Frey stated the tar and chip work in Wonderview has been re-done in Wonderview and HRI is finishing up the blacktop work on East Hillcrest.

New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

Sewage Officer Report

Lisa stated no report was received for the month.

Zoning/Construction Report

Larry Frace provided the following report for August:

Zoning Permits

Scott Bitler, 829 E. Hillcrest, for a ramp
Jeffrey Carleton, 200 W. Hillcrest, addition (pending)
Joseph Goynes, 176 W. Hillcrest, new home

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Zoning Reports

Complaint on the construction at 812 Mainville Drive for working without permits.

Went to River Island with DEP and the land owner to tour the islands. DEP will issue a violation notice and he was told he must comply with the township's zoning first. He was found guilty for failure to obtain permits for the floodplain, no fine was levied, he just paid court costs of \$152.25. UPDATE – received report from DEP stating owner is in violation of 105.11-693. He was given three options to comply and he must also comply with the township's zoning. **AUGUST UPDATE** – No response from DEP

Scott Bitler, 829 E. Hillcrest Road, found guilty of not getting a zoning permit for deck and ramp, no fine levied, paid court costs of \$152.25 and letter sent that he still needs to get a zoning permit. UPDATE – Mr. Bitler has requested applications for the structures. **AUGUST UPDATE** – Mr. Bitler has paid all permit fees and this issue will be closed out.

Browns Landscaping, filed a violation with the magistrate for no UCC permit for the deck and ramp at 829 E. Hillcrest, however, they have requested a hearing, which has not been scheduled yet. UPDATE – Hearing set for August 7, 2018. **AUGUST UPDATE** – Contractor found guilty of working without a permit, fined \$50.00. This issue will be closed out.

Norman Gillmeister, filed a violation for now mowing grass at 370 Scenic Ave. UPDATE – waiting for hearing to be scheduled. **AUGUST UPDATE** – Left another notice on door. Magistrate is looking for the paperwork that was misplaced in his office, to schedule the hearing.

John and Mylin – 10 vehicles now on their property in various state of disrepair. A notice was sent to them on January 20, 2018 when they only had 5-6 vehicles stating they were violating Ordinance #1 of 2014 and Ordinance #5 of 2016 and they told Larry they would be cleaned up by spring but felt that since they had a business of selling the parts, it was allowed per the ordinances. Larry received a call from their attorney who is going to review the ordinances. **NO UPDATE** on this yet.

Bob Baylor made a motion to approve Zoning/Construction Reports; Tom seconded the motion.

Police Report

Lisa read the August report:

110.5 hours

792 miles

3 Incidents

Traffic Citations – 0

Non-Traffic - 0

Thefts – 3

Medic Assists - 1

Letter sent to Hoover's logging regarding the unoccupied trailer, requesting a response in 10 days; still waiting for the response.

Bob Baylor made a motion to accept the August Police Report; Tom seconded the motion.

With no further business to discuss, Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20pm; Bob Baylor seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Schell
Secretary