# MINUTES PARADISE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FEBRUARY 14, 2022

**CALL TO ORDER:** By Chairman Lance Biesecker at 7:02 pm

**SUPERVISORS IN ATTENDANCE:** Chairman Lance Biesecker, Clark Craumer, Dean Bentzel

#### PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

**APPROVE AGENDA** WITH ADDITIONS OR DELETION... Clark Craumer made a motion to approve the agenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dean Bentzel, approved by Unanimous Vote

**APPROVE MINUTES:** ... Clark Craumer made a motion to approve both the minutes from January 10, 2022 meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dean Bentzel, approved by Unanimous Vote

**APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT:** Clark Craumer made a motion to approve as read, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dean Bentzel, approved by Unanimous Vote

#### CITIZENS COMMENTS AND CONCERNS:

Persons who have made prior arrangements to be placed on the agenda will have first priority. Please note due to time limitations 5 minutes will be allotted for each citizen.

- 1) Doug Stambaugh spoke to thank volunteer firefighters who helped fight an outdoor furnace fire at his house.
- 2) Karen Wire spoke to thank the Township for our support of the East Berlin Community Center.
- 3) Joseph Murphy gave an update on his Eagle Scout Project installing a Veterans Memorial adjacent to the new flag pole at the Farmers Field Recreation Park. Joseph has 100% financing for the project and hopes to have all work done by Memorial Day 2022.

# **Fire Department Reports:**

1) Station 110 – Chief Lease reported there were a total of 105 calls in 2021. There were 8 calls in December 2021 and 8 calls in January 2022.

- 2) **NAF** There were 41 total calls in January, 7 of those in the Township
- 3) United 33 There were 59 total calls in January, 1 in the Township
- 4) Life Team There were 171 total calls, 26 in the Township

# **SUBDIVISION PLANS:**

- 1) Spring Run Estates Solicitor Sharon Myers reported she has a Pre-Development Agreement with Country Club, LLC ready to be signed allowing Paradise Township ability to perform reasonable traffic studies, engineering, and legal reviews with fees to be paid by the Country Club LLC. Neal Doyle and Doug Stambaugh will discuss getting the traffic study scheduled
- 2) Matt Eyster was present to speak for Springfield Contractors.

Matt asked if the infiltration beds for the individual housing units in Phase 2 can be completed as each unit is completed instead of being part of the general storm water management plan that must be done in the prep stages of Phase 2. He asked if it would be possible to include the infiltration beds in a security agreement. Doug Stambaugh commented that each individual bed would need to be inspected prior to GHI signing off allowing Neal Doyle to issue an occupancy permit. Neal commented proceeding in this manner he will need some leeway issuing Occupancy permits and they cannot be expected as soon as units are completed. Kevin Barnes expressed a concern that if the Phase 2 completion is delayed for any reason, will the existing infiltration beds and retention pond be able to handle storm water. No resolution was reached

Matt asked the supervisors if the Recreation Fee for Phase 2 can be paid when the builder buys a lot and not as a bulk upfront fee. Neal Doyle expressed frustration with paying the fees in that manner because it creates increased work for the Township office to track what fees have been paid for individual lots. He also noted there is another large development in the planning phase that is over 200 houses and was concerned that developer would also ask for a similar grace if this is allowed. Solicitor Sharon Myers commented that the Recreation Fee Ordinance requires the fees being paid before construction begins. Matt then asked if the Recreation Fees can be bonded. Sharon Myers was not sure and would have to check on that. There was no resolution reached on this request.

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1) Bridge Update: Neal Doyle gave an update on a video meeting called by our FEMA Rep on January 14<sup>th</sup>. It was a short 16-minute introductory meeting for FEMA to get a general feel for the project. They will be contacting us to schedule the next in depth meeting in the coming weeks.
  - a. Home RD...CSD sending out for bids due 3/10/22
  - b. Protectory RD... CSD sending out for bids due 3/10/22
  - **c. North School House RD**...Electric disconnect coordination pushed start date back to March 15th
- 2) Beaver Creek RD...No update
- 3) Information on COVID Relief Fund: Elwood Miller reported the final rule includes a simplified lost revenue provision that gives each township a \$10 million standard allowance for lost revenues, or up to the total amount of your award, without the need to calculate lost revenues.
- 4) Update on transition to Republic Services trash hauling: Elwood Miller reported after some transition issues and bad weather the second week of January, Republic pickups have been on time each week and that for the month of January, Republic picked up approximately 7 tons more trash than their weekly average because of other haulers negligence in picking up trash in December and other haulers dumping their trash out of totes as they were being picked up after the Republic contract was awarded. (It is to be noted here that Neiderer Sanitation serviced their customers to the end of the year and did not leave any residual trash for Republic Services)

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) Clark Craumer made a motion to authorize C.S. Davidson Inc. to advertise the Home Road Bridge and Protectory Road Bridge Culvert Replacements for public bidding, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dean Bentzel, approved by Unanimous Vote.
- 2) Clark Craumer made a motion to approve purchase of an updated security camera system for \$10,791.20, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dean Bentzel, approved by Unanimous Vote. This amount is for the Township building only. The system is expandable. Cameras and a radio transmitter can also be installed at the Recreation Park eventually.

## **RECREATION PARK:**

1) Update of talks with Spring Grove School District concerning purchasing additional land...Nothing new to add

### **REPORTS:**

- 1) **Emergency Management**: Neal Doyle again highlighted the FEMA video meeting and reported one Fire Call in the township
- 2) **Zoning Officer:** Neal Doyle showed slides with the PennDot snow plow damage to the Paradise Elementary flasher sign, Ice laying on North Lake Road from an improperly installed driveway blocking the storm water drainage, and indication of a un permitted permanent yard sale on Route 30.
- 3) **Engineer:** Doug Stambaugh submitted an activity report for the month and highlighted the challenges presented for the O'Brien land development plan
- 4) **Planning Commission:** Kevin Barnes provided an oral report and highlighted two Zoning Hearings coming up
- 5) Police: Clark Craumer reported there were three new officers sworn in at the last meeting and asked if Paradise Township would match donations from other municipalities to help finance purchase license plate scanner by NYCRPD which help solving crimes. Lance Biesecker made a motion to amend the agenda to allow a motion for this one-time donation, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Clark Craumer, Passed by Unanimous Vote. Clark Craumer made a motion to donate \$10,000.00 to NYCRPD to help finance purchase of a license plate scanner system, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dean Bentzel, passed by Unanimous Vote.
- 6) Solicitor: Sharon Myers provided a printed report highlighting a Draft Amendment to Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance, Recreation Fees sent to the YCPC for review.
- 7) Roadmaster: Dean Bentzel had nothing new to report

# CORRESPONDENCE / ANNOUNCEMENTS/ OTHER BUSINESS:

- 1) Approve Bill Lists ... Clark Craumer made a motion to approve the Bill Lists and adjourn the meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dean Bentzel, passed by Unanimous Vote.
- 2) Adjourned at 8:03 PM

Approved at March 14, 2022 BOS meeting by Unanimous Vote

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary