

Board of Supervisors Meeting **August 10, 2020**

Opening: Chairman Elston opened the regular scheduled meeting on Monday, August 10, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. This meeting was closed to the public due to Governor Wolf's order regarding Coronavirus COVID-19 and was available to the public through a secure conference line.

Roll call was taken, and present were supervisors Gary C. Elston, Frank V. Daniel, Jr., and Nelson R. Beam via conference line. Also attending via conference line were Craig Kologie, Zoning Officer, Kristin Camp, Solicitor, and Rick King, Road Manager.

Public Comment: Chairman Elston called for public comment on tonight's agenda; No public comment was received.

Minutes:

Motion: Mr. Daniel made the motion to approve the July 13, 2020 meeting minutes and Mr. Beam made the second. Motion carried 3-0.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report stands approved until further audit. Balances were as follows:

• <u>Operating Accounts:</u>	
General Fund- Victory Bank Money Market @ .60%	370, 468.96
General Fund-Victory Bank Checking @ .30%	<u>854.63</u>
Total Operating Funds:	\$ 371, 323.59
• <u>Designated Accounts:</u>	
FIRE/EMS - PLGIT Prime MM @ .35%	13,347.94
State Fund – Victory Bank @ .60%	6,320.47
Act 209 - PLGIT Prime MM @ .35%	1,997.51
Glenmoore Fire Co – Trumark CD - matures 11/30/20 @ 2.10%	42,403.75
Elverson-Honey Brook EMS – Trumark CD - matures 11/30/20 @ 2.10%	33,045.95
Twin Valley FD – Trumark CD - matures 11/30/20 @ 2.10%	33,045.95
PLGIT-New Truck @ .35%	36,615.97
WNT Emergency Fund - PLGIT CD- matures 9/29/20 @ 2.05%	134,500.00
Savings -Trumark @ .20%	5.00
Regular - PLGIT MM @ .35%	424,753.12
Recreation - PLGIT MM @ .35%	<u>302.46</u>
Total Designated Funds:	\$ 726,338.12
• <u>Investment Accounts:</u>	
CD - PLGIT CD 1 - matures 1/4/21 @ 1.05%	200,000.00
CD 1 -PLGIT Prime @ .35 %	63,430.91
CD - PLGIT CD 2 - matures 7/28/20 @ .75%	248,465.65
MM - PLGIT Prime MM @ .35%	15,313.06
CD - PLGIT CD 3- matures 10/16/20 @ 1.92%	490,000.00
MM - PLGIT Prime MM @ .35%	30,877.22

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CD - PLGIT CD 4 - matures 9/30/20 @ .95%	161,404.64
Victory Bank CD @2.00% matures 12/19/21	<u>250,000.00</u>
Total Investment Funds:	\$1,459,491.48

- **Escrow Accounts:** \$ 8,651.60
- **Total Funds under management:** \$ 2,565,804.79

AUDIENCE: Participation via conference call: Barclay Hargreaves, Shawn Blickley, John Kauffman, Shirley VanScoyk, Donna Morrissey, Katherine O’Keefe, William Baldwin, Susan Murray, Michelle Martino, and Santiago Serrano.

- John Kaufman – Inquired about the progression of plans for the school on Reeder Road. Mr. Kauffman stated that he will send the lease agreement to the township and Craig Kologie.
- Shirley VanScoyk – Expressed concerns regarding the July 29th zoning hearing for the dog kennel at 266 Killian Road. Ms. VanScoyk asked how this could be prevented from future township sites and how to address holes in township zoning. Ms. Camp advised that the township must allow for all uses in township zoning. Mr. Kologie state that the requested variances were to allow for multiple uses for the property.
- Donna Morrissey – Ms. Morrissey is a neighbor to the kennel and expressed concerns about the size and number of dogs.
- Susan Murray – Stated that a commercial kennel should be zoned in the commercial area of the township and not residential. Ms. Murray also asked if the Board of Supervisors agreed with the Zoning Hearing Board. Mr. Beam explained that the hearing was part of the zoning process.
- Katherine O’Keefe – Concerned about the kennel becoming a “puppy mill”.
- Michelle Martino – Concerns regarding the kennel and why the variances were approved and the potential “puppy mill”.
- Santiago Serrano - Constituent advocate for Representative Chrissy Houlahan. Explained the services provided by Ms. Houlahan’s office for the residents of the township and that the office was always available for assistance regarding social security, veterans, Internal Revenue Service, and many others.

Engineering:

- Road projects are completed.
Motion: Mr. Daniel made the motion to sign the documents from Castle Valley Consultants authorizing payment to Advanced Pavement Group and was seconded by Mr. Beam. Motion carried 3-0.

Zoning Report:

- 11 permits were issued, and 2 resale inspections were completed.
- Three property maintenance code violations are in process.

Solicitor’s Report:

- Agricultural Security Area application was received today for parcel 23-2-11.
Motion: Mr. Beam made the motion to accept the Agricultural Security Area application for parcel 23-2-11 and was seconded by Mr. Elston. Motion carried 3-0.

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Planning Commission: No meeting in July

Roads:

- Verizon and Comcast have been contacted regarding trees in the wires along several roads from the August 4 storm.
- Huntsfield Road inlet box repair will be completed later this month.
- Mr. King was asked to proceed with quotes for line painting on Bollinger and Isabella Roads.

Parks and Recreation:

- Spotted lanternfly traps were received from the Chester County Conservation District to be installed in the park.

Historic: No report

EMS:

- Mr. Hargreaves gave an update on the August 4th tropical storm. Communication between Mr. King, Ms. Kolpak, and Mr. Hargreaves aided the efforts to keep roads opened and advised of issues within the township. A tour of St. Mary's of Providence is planned to become informed of any issues that need to be addressed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- CD Rates – Victory Bank rates are considerably higher than PLGIT and funds should be secured in a CD at Victory Bank.
- Sweetwater Propane – Discussed the 2020/2021 contract which allows for 500 gallons of propane at a discounted rate of \$1.05 per gallon.
Motion: Mr. Beam made the motion to accept the 2020/2021 Sweetwater Propane contract and was seconded by Mr. Daniel. Motion carried 3-0.
- Zoning Hearing Board – Caryl Ann Cooper has submitted her resignation as secretary of the Zoning Hearing Board.
Motion: Mr. Elston made the motion to accept the resignation of Caryl Ann Cooper from the zoning hearing board and was seconded by Mr. Daniel. Motion carried 3-0.
- Laptops – The 2020 budget included laptops for township business use. Mr. Elston asked Mr. Daniel to research and make recommendations for 4 laptops and a wall monitor.
Motion: Mr. Elston made the motion to rescind the July 13, 2020 motion to approve Mr. Daniel for a maximum of 8 hours to research and make recommendations for 4 laptops and a wall monitor for township use and was seconded by Mr. Beam. Motion carried 3-0.
- Tower Health – Received correspondence explaining the merger with Pottstown Memorial Ambulance Company to form a single service named TowerDIRECT.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

BILLS: The bills to be paid this evening were reviewed.

Motion: Mr. Beam made the motion to pay the bills and was seconded by Mr. Daniel. Motion carried 3-0.

General Fund

\$63,614.51

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State Fund Account

\$ 5,800.00

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to discuss, adjournment took place at 8:35 P.M. with Mr. Daniel making the motion to adjourn and seconded by Mr. Beam. Motion carried 3-0

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah M. Kolpak, Secretary

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