

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

February 20, 2019

PUBLIC MEETING

The Richland Township Board of Supervisors meeting held at the municipal building on Wednesday, February 20, 2019 was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman, Raymond P. Kendrick. Mr. Kendrick announced that the Supervisors had conducted an executive session prior to the meeting to discuss a matter of potential litigation. There were nine people in the audience. The Officials present were:

Raymond P. Kendrick, Chairman

George P. Allen, Vice Chairman (via teleconference)

John A. Marshall, Supervisor

Barton D. Miller, Supervisor

Donna L. Snyder, Supervisor

Dean E. Bastianini, Township Manager

Tina L. Shaw, Recording Secretary

Donald Palmer, Esquire

Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve the minutes from the Supervisors' Meeting of January 16, 2019. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Kendrick asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak. No one came forward.

Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the January 2019 Financial Statement which included balance sheets and revenue/expenditure reports for all funds, as well as, a list of the following checks issued in December: General PLGIT, Fund 01: \$48041 - #48076, PLGIT Mastercard, #92321 - #92345, ACH Transfer Account, #1269 - #1281. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the bills payable in the following amounts: General PLGIT, \$49,507.87, Fire Protection Fund, \$210.00 and Sewer Fund, \$34,792.53. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mr. Reichart, Public Works Superintendent reported that his investigation confirmed that Sandy Hill Road meets two of PennDOT's criteria for parking restrictions. Ms. Snyder made a motion to advertise an ordinance prohibiting on-street parking along both sides of Sandy Hill Road for its full length. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES - JANUARY 14, 2019

E2 Capital Partners, L.P. - Consideration of a preliminary and final land development plans to erect a warehouse; Lot & Block No. 1505-S-108, 1028 Executive Drive. Plan latest revised December 17, 2018.

Anthony Mascilli, E2 Capital Partners and Tom Taylor, Hampton Technical presented the plans which were a new version of a plan submitted in 2013. Mr. Mascilli explained that they wanted to down size at this time. In 2013 East End Plumbing obtained three variances. The new plan contains an additional variance which had been approved by the Zoning Hearing Board.

After a brief discussion Mr. Miller made a motion to approve preliminary and final land development contingent upon satisfaction of all items contained in the Planning Commission's approval and the items listed in Mr. Shoup's review letter of February 13, 2019 and a commitment that all exterior lighting be compliant with Township regulations. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

CORRESPONDENCE

Dr. Lindsay McCauley, McCauley, Celin Eyecare Associates

A letter requesting consideration of a zoning ordinance amendment permitting electronic signs, which do not scroll, flash or change rapidly. Dr. McCauley was present to explain the reasons for her request which included safety concerns over manually changing the text on pole signs.

Mr. Miller said the changeable copy signs were more appropriate given the modern technology which is available. Ms. Snyder and Mr. Kendrick also expressed their support for the change which they felt was not unique for the McCauley property and would be beneficial to other owners in the same situation.

Mr. Bastianini said the Township Solicitor and Engineer had provided model ordinances from other municipalities where changeable copy signs are permitted. He explained the process and time frame for adoption of an amendment, as well as, some of the issues the ordinance would need to address. At the conclusion of the discussion, Ms. Snyder made a motion authorizing the preparation of a draft ordinance for submission to the Township Planning Commission. Mr. Miller seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Sara Knapp, Environmental Compliance and Sustainability Coordinator

A memo requesting the Township's participation in a Tree Planting Event sponsored by the Allegheny County Conservation District in the Pine Creek watershed. The event would be in lieu of the Township's annual stream bank cleanup. Participation will fulfill several 2019 MS-4 requirements. Mr. Allen made a motion to participate in the Tree Planting Event and to pay the \$200.00 sponsorship fee. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Marshall made a motion to accept a proposal from Shoup Engineering to provide design, bidding and construction services for a project to upgrade storm sewers on Woodhill/Applejack Drives for a lump sum price of \$6,575.00. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Ms. Snyder made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 502 amending rates of interest, penalties, charges and attorney fees incurred in collecting delinquent real estate taxes and municipal claims. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Ms. Snyder made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2 of 2019 authorizing the submission of a \$250,000 grant application to the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County for the Richland Community Park - Restrooms and Concession Stand Upgrade Project. Mr. Miller seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Snyder made a motion to adopt Resolution No.3 of 2019 authorizing the submission of a \$190,000 grant application to the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County for the Richland Community Barn - Event Facility Renovations Project. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Ms. Snyder made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 4 of 2019 authorizing the Township's participation in the Allegheny County Wellness Program. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Miller made a motion authorizing the Chairman to execute Spring 2019 Field & Dek Hockey Rink Lease Agreements with: 1) Pine-Richland Baseball Softball Association; 2) Pine-Richland Soccer Club; 3) Pine-Richland Boy's Lacrosse and 4) Pine-Richland Youth Center. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Based upon certifications from the Township Engineer, Ms. Snyder made a motion approving reductions in the amount of the financial security posted to guarantee site improvements for the following developments.

Gibsonia Business Park:	\$155,528.00
PG Future Investors:	\$ 69,044.00

Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Bastianini updated the Board on the status of the following active construction projects:

- Pastureview/Turner Road sanitary sewer extension.
- Traffic signal: Lakeside/Hardt/Gibsonia Road
- Public Works storage building
- Installation of a playground in Richland Park

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Ms. Snyder said she is excited about the improvements taking place in the park.

Mr. Marshall stated that when driving on snow covered roads he can always tell when he is on Richland streets because they are better maintained.

Mr. Miller said he continues to receive compliments about the condition of Township maintained roads during snow storms. "Job well done."

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tina L. Shaw, Recording Secretary

