

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

March 20, 2019

PUBLIC MEETING

The Richland Township Board of Supervisors meeting held at the municipal building on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 was called to order at 7:10 PM by Chairman, Raymond P. Kendrick. The Supervisors had conducted an executive session prior to the meeting to discuss two matters of potential litigation. There were eight people in the audience. The Officials present were:

Raymond P. Kendrick, Chairman
George P. Allen, Vice Chairman
John A. Marshall, 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 February 20, 2019. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Kendrick asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak. Ms. Rene Hoy came forward.

Ms. Hoy, 5717 Summit Street, stated that she was inquiry on behalf of the Richland Elementary PTO about the possibility of installing an electronic sign. Mr. Bastianini responded by saying that such signs were not currently permitted under the Township's zoning ordinance. The Township Planning Commission, however, has been asked to consider whether the zoning ordinance should be amended to allow electronic changeable message signs.

Ms. Snyder and Mr. Bastianini, who had attended the most recent Planning Commission meeting, relayed information regarding various issues that were discussed. Several members were in favor of allowing electronic signs with restrictions. Several were opposed due to traffic safety concerns and other reasons. One requested information from neighboring municipalities. Ms. Snyder stressed that all of the members were concerned about the difficulty of enforcing regulations. At the conclusion of the discussion Mr. Kendrick suggested that if Ms. Hoy wanted to pursue the matter further she should attend the next Planning Commission meeting.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the February 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 January: General PLGIT, Fund 01: #48077 - #48137, PLGIT Mastercard, #92346 - #92370, ACH Transfer Account, #1282 - #1291. 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, \$22,038.76, Highway Capital Improvement, \$610.07 and Sewer Fund, \$19,266.63. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Ms. Snyder made a motion to appoint Mr. Max Junker, Babst Calland, as special counsel in an enforcement matter involving the owner of 2588 Elgro Road. The terms of compensation shall be as stated in an engagement letter dated March 11, 2019. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all. Mr. Kendrick, Mr. Shoup and Mr. Bastianini will participate in a conference call with Mr. Junker to discuss a strategy for moving forward on the case.

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES - FEBRUARY 18, 2019

4137 Bakerstown Road, LLC – Consideration of final plans for the Pittsburgh Cut Flower PRD – Phase No. 2 and Phase No. 3, Lot & Block No. 2187-M-288.

Mr. Michael McAney of Traditions of America was in the audience. Since no one was present to represent the owner Mr. Bastianini explained the plans and conditions of approval stated in the Planning Commission minutes.

At the conclusion of the presentation Mr. Allen made a motion which was seconded by Ms. Snyder to grant final approval to Phase No. 2 and Phase No. 3 of the Pittsburgh Cut Flower PRD as submitted conditioned upon the following:

- (1) Satisfaction of items shown in the review letters from Scott Shoup dated March 13 and March 14, 2019;
- (2) Satisfaction of the conditions listed in the Planning Commission minutes of February 18, 2019;
- (3) Payment of a transportation impact fee in the amount of \$39,215.00 for Phase No. 2 and \$30,360.00 for Phase No. 3.
- (4) Satisfaction of any applicable conditions of approval imposed in the grant of tentative approval for planned residential development (Pittsburgh Cut Flower Property) by the Richland Township Board of Supervisors on August 17, 2016 and the Official Written Communication of the Richland Township Board of Supervisors dated August 30, 2016.
 - (a) Of those conditions, the following designated conditions must be satisfied prior to the Township signing a final plan to allow recording: Conditions Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 11 and 12.
 - (b) Conditions Nos. 3, 6, 8, 9 10, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 do not need to be satisfied prior to the Township's signing final plans for recording. As to these conditions, the Township may sign final plans for recording if the Developer has entered into a Developer's Agreement with the Township which contains a provision that if the

Developer fails to timely satisfy those conditions, the township may withhold the Page 3 issuance of further building or occupancy permits until the conditions is satisfied.

Ms. Snyder made a motion authorizing the Township to enter into a Developers Agreement with 4137 Bakerstown Road LLC for Phase No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3 provided said agreement is to the satisfaction of the Township Solicitor and the Township Engineer. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

CORRESPONDENCE

Douglas M. Seeley, P.E. Assistant District Executive, Design Division, PennDOT

A letter stating that in 2020 PennDOT plans to mill and overlay a portion of Route 8 beginning at Wildwood Road, in Hampton Township, to a yet to be determined point in Richland between the Northtowne Square shopping center and Grandview Drive. The Township staff will inform PennDOT of existing drainage problems which should be repaired as part of the project.

Allegheny County Association of Township Officials (ACATO)

An invitation to attend the County Convention on May 2, 2019 at the Hydhole Restaurant.

Mr. Allen made a motion authorizing the Supervisors to attend with the Township meeting the expense. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Snyder made a motion approving Keystone Novelties, LLC's request to conduct temporary sales of legal fireworks at the Scoreboard Lounge, 5179 Route 8 from June 27, 2019 through July 6, 2019. The approval is contingent upon compliance with the conditions stated in the March 4, 2019 letter written by Alex Mutzabaugh, Field Operations Manager. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Ms. Snyder made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 503 establishing parking restrictions on Sandy Hill Road. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Sergeant Jeffrey Jones the head of the Northern Regional Police Department's Traffic Division presented a report on police activities to enforce speed limits on Ben Miller Road. Sergeant Jones indicated that officers under his direction are vigilant in their speed enforcement efforts in the Ben Miller area. He confirmed that the police department would continue to run speed checks, maintain vascar lines and employ the digital radar machine on Ben Miller Road and the feeder streets; Richland and Gibson Road. Sergeant Jones reported that there was one occasion when several crashes occurred on Ben Miller Road on the same day. He felt they were the result of inclement weather and not due to an epidemic of speeding.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the Ben Miller Road Weight Restriction Study performed by Shoup Engineering. The study concluded that it would be appropriate to enact weight restrictions for vehicles in excess of ten tons.

Mr. Allen made a motion authorizing the advertisement of an ordinance to establish a ten ton weight limit on Ben Miller Road. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all. The ordinance will be considered at the Board of Supervisors meeting on April 17, 2019.

Mr. Allen made a motion authorizing the Chairman to execute the following Community Day contracts subject to approval by the Township Solicitor. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

ELF Entertainment 4 Inflatable Rides		\$ 5,475.00
Annie's Showmobile Stage, Sound & DJ		\$ 2,050.00
Fun Services Festival 55 booths @ \$58.00		\$ 3,190.00
Giggles the Clown		\$ 400.00
Spring Cycle Band; Feature Act		\$ 763.00
PA amusement Corp., ATM Machine		\$ 125.00
B&J Golf Carts		\$ 545.00
Bruce's Petting Zoo		\$ 550.00
Mike the Balloon Guy, Eurobungy		\$ 2,850.00
Sandy Art & Face Painting		
Zambelli Fireworks, (three year contract)	2019	\$15,000.00
	2020	\$15,000.00
	2021	\$15,500.00

The Board reviewed a bid tabulation sheet showing the prices submitted by five tree companies for the removal of twenty-two (22) white pines in Richland community park. Ms. Snyder made a motion to accept the proposal from the low bidder, Tall Timbers, for the fixed price of \$10,685.00. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

The Supervisors reviewed a bid tabulation sheet showing the prices submitted by two contractors for the installation of a 3,169 sq. ft. concrete sidewalk, per specifications prepared by Shoup Engineering, around the perimeter of the new splash pad and playground. Ms. Snyder made a motion to accept the proposal of the low bidder, Michael Vestergaard for the fixed price of \$23,767.50. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

The Township Manager explained the reasons for a change order to the Turner Road/Pastureview Drive sanitary sewer project contract. He told the Board that the gas company's failure to properly locate a 12" gas main necessitated the redesign of the sewer location. Also, the contractor had to repair a previously unknown storm sewer which was encountered. Both of these problems resulted in cost increases.

Ms. Snyder made a motion authorizing the Chairman to execute Change Order No. 1 to the contract with W. M. Aiken and Sons Excavating, in the amount of \$21,116.00. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Ms. Snyder made a motion authorizing the Chairman to execute a field lease agreement with Nitro Lacrosse for six dates in June for the lease price of \$750.00. Mr. Kendrick questioned whether a security deposit was also required. The Manager responded that a \$500 deposit was submitted with the application. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Marshall thanked Mr. Bastianini for writing a letter to the Muslim Association of Pittsburgh expressing the Board's support in response to the tragic killings which took place in both New Zealand and Squirrel Hill. Mr. Bastianini acknowledged that the letter was Mr. Marshall's idea and said he was proud of the Board for recognizing the Muslim Associations's positive impacts on Richland Township and for taking a strong stance against hate and violence.

Mr. Kendrick acknowledged an email from Mr. Rowan Poole thanking the Township for the installation of the new traffic signal at the intersection of Gibsonia, Hardt an Lakeside Drive. Mr. Kendrick said that Mr. Poole was instrumental in helping to make the new signal possible and he thanked him for his involvement.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina L. Shaw
Recording Secretary