

JENKINS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
August 12, 2020
7:00 P.M.

Mr. Rovinski Called the Meeting to order at 7:10 P. M.

DUE TO COVID-19 our Regular meeting was held with social distancing being enforced in the Board of Supervisors meeting room.

Everyone joined in the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL was taken. Present were Stanley E. Rovinski –Chairman, Joseph Sperrazza -Vice Chairman, Robert Linskey-Secretary/Treasurer, Charles G. Ross Jr., Esq.-Solicitor and Barbara Fairchild - Township Manager.

The floor was open to the public to address the Board of Supervisors regarding any items placed on the agenda for this meeting and/or any general municipal business.

- 1.) Chris Menendez-306 Vilna Rd.-He questioned if the Supervisors were going to do anything about his trees and property that was damaged by the Township. Mr. Rovinski said we will send a counter offer. Mr. Rovinski said he would have the Solicitor send a letter and it should be before the end of next week. Mr. Linskey asked what the counter offer was. Mr. Rovinski said he would share everything with the board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes for Regular Meeting held on July 08th, 2020 and Special Meeting August 10, 2020.

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza

Second by Mr. Linskey

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza –Yes

Mr. Linskey-Yes

Mr. Rovinski- Yes

CORRESPONDENCE

Motion to accept the correspondence presented to the Board of Supervisors prior to the meeting and to place them on file.

Motion by Mr. Linskey

Second by Mr. Sperrazza

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza –Yes

Mr. Linskey-Yes

Mr. Rovinski- Yes

REPORTS

Motion to accept the July 2020 Department Reports presented to the Board of Supervisors prior to the meeting and to place them on file.

Building Inspector ✓
Fire Chief ✓
Police Chief ✓
Zoning Officer ✓
Code Enforcement ✓

Crime Watch
Tax Collector ✓
Planning Commission ✓
Zoning Hearing Board

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza –Yes

Second by Mr. Linskey
Mr. Linskey-Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

RATIFICATION AND APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion to ratify the payment of monthly bills for July 2020 in the amount of \$294,881.96 from the General Fund.

Motion by Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza –Yes

Second by Mr. Sperrazza
Mr. Linskey-Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Motion to ratify the transfers from the General Fund to the Payroll Fund for Payroll #14 of 2020 of Thirty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Thirty Three Dollars and .06 cents (\$37,133.06) and the transfer for Payroll #15 of 2020 of Thirty-Six Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Eight Dollars and .99 cents (\$36,528.99) and the transfer for Payroll #16 of 2020 of Thirty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Seven Dollars and .53 cents (36,847.53) .

Motion by Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza –Yes

Second by Mr. Sperrazza
Mr. Linskey-Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

READING OF THE TREASURER’S REPORT by Mr. Linskey.

Motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report for the month of July 2020.

Motion by Mr. Rovinski
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza –Yes

Second by Mr. Sperrazza
Mr. Linskey-Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Motion to approve the land development to construct 2 prefab utility structures housing a generator for First Light Telecommunication request on the Jenkins Twp. Planning Commission recommendations pursuant to all questions and comments being addressed by Luzerne County and the Township Engineer. Per Attorney Blazosek, there is no need for a minor subdivision due to the lease of the property.

After much discussion from Mr. Sperrazza that there is no correlation for building and location in the right of way on the plan and possible sewer problems, no way to repair if it is in the right of way and no signature blocks, he wants a letter telling them to reapply. Mr. Linskey asked if the Planning Commission knew about this and any other issues that they recommended approval. Mr. Rovinski said No they had to have all conditions met. Ms. Fairchild said they answered some of the engineer’s

comments and the Planning Solicitor said Jenkins Township did not need a subdivision. They did have some things addressed but not all. There is a concern for the timing so they are not just deemed automatic approval. Ms. Dougherty, Zoning Officer said we would have to look how far back we received information so they are not given automatic approval. Be careful so we don't run into Mr. Sperrazza asked to change the motion to disapprove. Mr. Linskey said it's the same thing if we say no. Mr. Sperrazza said he wanted to change it and Mr. Rovinski said he will not approve it so just say no to approve it.

Motion to approve: **NO**

by Mr. Sperrazza

Second by Mr. Linskey

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza –Yes

Mr. Linskey-Yes

Mr. Rovinski- Yes

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to Pass Resolution # 6 of 2020 requesting a Multimodal Transportation Fund grant of \$530,803.88 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority for four (4) streets; Industrial Dr.- \$167,150.00; Welsh St. from Main St. to S. Main St. \$125,100.00; Wynchurch Circle- \$52,150.00; Willow Rd.-\$110,250.00 for a total cost of \$454,650.00, plus \$22,732.50 for (5%) contingencies, Engineering costs of \$53,421.38, for a total cost of the project of \$530,803.88

Motion by Mr. Linskey

Second by Mr. Sperrazza

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza –Yes

Mr. Linskey-Yes

Mr. Rovinski-Yes

Motion to Pass Resolution #7 of 2020 authorizing Stanley Rovinski, Chairman and Barbara Fairchild, Manager as the officials to execute all documents and agreements between Jenkins Township and Luzerne County for the grant application for COVID-19 County Relief Block Grant.

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza

Second by Mr. Linskey

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza –Yes

Mr. Linskey-Yes

Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Motion to request the certification of Payment for the Luzerne Co. Community Development

Disaster Recovery Buyout Program for \$7,750.00 for Brozena Consulting Services, LLC for

Invoice #10.

Motion by Mr. Linskey

Second by Mr. Sperrazza

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza –Yes

Mr. Linskey-Yes

Mr. Rovinski-Yes

Motion to accept the letter of resignation from Officer John Maciolek immediately. Mr. Rovinski thanked him for his service.

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza

Second by Mr. Linskey

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza –Yes

Mr. Linskey-Yes

Mr. Rovinski-Yes

Motion to accept the letter of resignation from Officer Justice Cole effective August 24, 2020.

Motion by Mr. Linskey Second by Mr. Sperrazza
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza –Yes Mr. Linskey-Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Motion to reimburse Mr. Gatuso \$38.92 for the area light bill from April 24, 2020 to July 24, 2020 for the light that was installed and to have the bill sent to Jenkins Township per the error by PP & L.

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza Second by Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza –Yes Mr. Linskey-Yes Mr. Rovinski-Yes

Motion to have Denaple’s clean our property lot on Main St. Pin # E11S3001 01A Plate #33-C-39-R-D4-2 for \$6,000.00 for trailers to be cleaned up within 30 days.

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza Second by Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza –Yes Mr. Linskey-Yes Mr. Rovinski-Yes

Motion to submit Letter of Support for DCED Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program for a Regional Flood Mitigation Study that the Borough of West Pittston is applying for.

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza Second by Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza –Yes Mr. Linskey-Yes Mr. Rovinski-Yes
Stan said it’s in the best interest for our Flood Maps that FEMA is changing.

Mr. Sperrazza thanked all the sponsors and Wendy Sartin for the virtual run.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. The Jenkins Township Board of Supervisors regular monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 09th, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.
- B. The Jenkins Township Sanitary Authority will meet Thursday, September 10th, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.
- C. The Jenkins Township Planning Commission is scheduled on Thursday, August 20th, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.
- D. The Jenkins Township Crime Watch will meet Wednesday, August 19th, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.
- E. The CEO Food Drive for August will be held on September 4th, 2020. Any changes will be announced.
- F. Paving Schedule for American Asphalt’s schedule is as follows: Please keep in mind it is subject to change with weather, etc.

Tedrick/Mitchell	Milling 8/12/20	Paving 8/14
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Gaughan, Pierson, Alvis and Alleys	8/13-8/14	8/15,8/17
Jennings	8/14-8/15	8/17, 8/18
Chestnut, Winter, Laird, Oak, Union	8/15 – 8/18	8/18 – 8/21

G. Administrative offices will be closed September 7, 2020 for Labor Day.

Motion to adjourn at 7:33 P.M.

Motion by Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza –Yes

Second by Mr. Sperrazza
Mr. Linskey-Yes Mr. Rovinski-Yes

Respectfully Submitted,



Barbara Fairchild, Manager