

Williams Township Board of Supervisors
June 8, 2022

The monthly meeting of the Williams Township Board of Supervisors, 655 Cider Press Road, Easton, PA 18042 was held on the above date and called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson George Washburn. Others present were Supervisor Raymond Abert, Township Solicitor Jonathan Reiss, Township Engineer Ronald Madison, Public Works Director Michael Strawn and Assistant Township Manager Melody Ernst. Absent were Township Manager Mikal Sabatine and Vice-Chairperson Michael Bryant.

George stated there were no Executive Sessions held.

George asked Ray if he had any corrections to the Minutes of May 11, 2022. There being none, Ray made a motion to approve said minutes, second by George. There being no comments, motion carried 2-0.

Melody presented the Expense Report of June 8, 2022 to the Board. It was stated that the May Treasurers Report was not available. Ray made a motion to approve the Expense Report and pay the bills, second by George. There being no comments, motion carried 2-0.

Manager's Report – Mikal submitted his report of June 8, 2022 to the Board for review. In Mikal's absence, Mel read the report.

Public Works – Mike submitted his report for May 11, 2022 to June 8, 2022.

Zoning Office -The report from the Zoning Office was received for the Boards review. There will not be a Zoning Hearing Board meeting on June 22, 2022.

Jonathan stated that under Suzanne's report regarding the five people who are in violation of the Floodplain, there are enforcements that should be pursued. In the Federal Act, if they do not comply, their property will not be able to be insured for Flood Insurance and no permits will be issued to do any work on their respective properties. Jonathan stated that he is recommending enforcement to these properties. Suzanne stated that she has been touch with FEMA and stated these are violations that she found while doing a drive by. Three out of the five have satisfied what they need to do and in two weeks she will be having a meeting with FEMA and at that time will discuss enforcement.

Planning Commission – The report was submitted to the Board.

Land Preservation Report- The Report for May was submitted to the Board. Ray asked Jim Williams how the Land Preservation Board is making out with the letters to property owners. It was stated that they are moving forward with them.

Recreation Board Report - Judy gave the report for June. Judy stated that the children from Glendon Borough are being included for the summer recreation program. Judy mentioned to the Board that Wilson Youth Soccer has put in a request to use the fields. Ray made a motion to approve Wilson Soccer to use the fields, second by George. There being no comments, motion carried 2-0.

Engineer Report- Ron Madison briefly reviewed his June 3, 2022 memorandum.

Solicitor Report - None

Old Business

1. Public Hearing – Mark Rutan – Agricultural Security District Application – Resolution 2022-20 - George opened the Public Hearing. – Jonathan stated that the Lehigh Planning Commission as well the Williams Township Planning Commission have recommended approving the application. George closed the hearing. Ray made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-20, second by George. Motion was carried 2-0.

New Business

1. Well Waiver – 1460 S. Delaware Drive – Resolution 2022-21 – Jonathan stated that the Sewage Enforcement Officer recommended approving this waiver. It was stated that the property is served by a spring and the quality and quantity of the water is insufficient. Sewage Enforcement Officer is recommending the waiver with the conditions stated in the Resolution. Ray made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-21, second by George. There being no comments, motion carried 2-0.

Supervisor Remarks

Ray questioned who is responsible for the care of the grass at the Welcome to Williams Township sign on Berger Road. George stated that he assumes that the Township would take care of it. Mike Strawn stated that two of the signs are taken care of by the property owners and stated that the other two can be handled by the Township.

Audience Comments - None

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melody A. Ernst, Asst. Manager/Secretary
Williams Township Board of Supervisors