

Watts Township
November 1, 2017

Present: Secretary Nancy Cangoli, Chairman Karl Raudensky, Supervisor Dr. Pat Gutheil, Supervisor Glenn Smithgall, Zoning Officer Bob Hart, Solicitor Linus Fenicle, Clark Steele and 6 residents.

The Watts Township Board of Supervisors regular business meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 1, 2017 at the Watts-Buffalo Community Center by Chairman Raudensky with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Raudensky announced an executive session was held at 5:30 today for the Hunter/Stepp litigation.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of October 4, 2017 as read; Gutheil/Smithgall. Motion carried. A motion was made to approve the budget minutes of October 16, 2017 as read; Gutheil/Raudensky. Motion carried.

Clark Steele addressed the Board and the residents announcing he is running a write in campaign for District Justice.

SECRETARY/TREASURER

There was 1 right to know request fulfilled for a total of 1 hour.

SOLICITOR

Solicitor Fenicle announced that the court issued a decision on the Hunter/Stepp driveway permit issue on October 12, 2017 voiding the driveway permit issued to Stepp.

A motion was made to file an appeal to the Commonwealth Court of the Common Pleas Court decision; Raudensky/Smithgall. A roll vote was called. Raudensky-no, Gutheil-no, Smithgall-abstained. Motion failed.

ZONING OFFICER

Bob reported a permit was issued to Terry Deaven for a new home. There is a complaint to be investigated.

ENGINEER

Chairman Raudensky stressed the importance of getting the general permit for Morris Rd as the work will need to be contracted out. Jerry stated he received an email from DEP back in July inquiring about the status of the Fire Company's stream and has not heard from them since.

FIRE COMPANY

There was no report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Status of SALDO-It has been put on the back burner due to the Act 537 plan review.

Sale of the broom, blade and roller-Being advertised.

Solicitor letter to DEP, Bethany Sweger for time extension for Act 537 ordinance-Supervisor Gutheil reported that she had a conversation with her regarding this. Ms Sweger stated she would like to see it submitted by December 31, 2017, Supervisor Gutheil asked if it could be extended to March 31, 2018 which was agreed to with Engineer Jerry Spease writing a letter to her formally requesting the extension.

NEW BUSINESS

There was nothing

ROAD MASTER

Roads are being prepped for line painting.

PLANNING COMMISSION-Minutes from the October 11, 2017 meeting have been submitted.

<u>Plan</u>	<u>Date Submitted</u>	<u>Date Approval/Disapprove</u>
Farhat Excavating		Conditional 8/3/16
Keller Auto Body	5/10/17	Conditional 8/2/17
Snyder/Bell	10/25/17	

Chairman Raudensky asked Jerry where the Farhat plan stands. Jerry stated he spoke with him about a month ago and thought the plan would have been submitted last month, he will contact Tony Trost again for the November planning Commission meeting.

The Keller plan-we are waiting on him to submit a driveway application, Jerry will contact him.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Beverly Reifsnnyder presented and read a letter to the Board regarding her concerns about the safety of the road crew when they are working on the township roads as she observed a dangerous situation recently. She urged the Board to implement proper safety procedures. Supervisor Gutheil replied that she recently attended a Flagger Safety training class and has brought a guide back to give to the workers. They will be attending the same class in the near future.

Brian Reifsnnyder addressed rumors regarding his home business with reading from sections of the Municipalities Planning Code and that state law says that home based businesses are legal.

A motion was made to approve the bills and any bills that come due before the next meeting; Gutheil/Smithgall. Motion carried.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting; Smithgall/Gutheil. Motion carried.