

## MINUTES

### RICHLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

February 15, 2021

The Richland Township Board of Supervisors met for their regular meeting on Monday, February 15, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the Richland Township municipal building, 322 Schoolhouse Road, Johnstown PA 15904.

**All COVID 19 restrictions for social distancing and masks were followed.**

#### **PRESENT**

Robert Heffelfinger , Chairman

Keith W Saylor

Gary Paul

Brian H Lehman

Jeffrey D Wingard

Gary L Costlow, Solicitor

Kimberly Stayrook, Secretary

#### **CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

Chairman Heffelfinger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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- Mr. Saylor moved to approve the minutes of February 1, 2021 as distributed, seconded by Mr. Wingard. All in favor. Motion Carried

#### **APPROVE AGENDA - ANY CHANGES TO WRITTEN AGENDA**

There were no changes.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON AGENDA ITEMS** - The Public has the right and the opportunity to comment on any agenda item - None

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

**Letter from Lawrence Fenimore – Structure behind Sheetz, Scalp Avenue**

A letter was received from Lawrence Fenimore, expressing concerns about the Sheetz Dumpster located on Scalp Avenue. The dumpster is located at the rear of the property. Mr. Fenimore is concerned with visibility for the traveling public at the intersection by Giant Eagle and Dunkin Donuts. Mr. Heffelfinger stated that the rear of the Sheetz property is located on private property. Any of the roadways so to speak, are on private property and is parking lot entrances and exists. He explained that the township has no authority on private property.

A discussion was held with Mr. Fenimore, who was present, board members, and Attorney Gary Costlow. Mr. Costlow stated that he had driven to the site today, after receiving the letter expressing concerns about the dumpster. He said that the parking lot area in general is not controlled and motorists must be careful when driving. Mr. Costlow reiterated that these are not public roads, not maintained by the township at all, having no rights on private property. Mr. Fenimore is concerned with safety and would like the issue taken care of. He stated that if the dumpster blocks visibility, something should be done by the township. He has spoken to one individual that was in an accident at

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the location, Mr. Costlow noted that the RTPC reviewed the plan and approved it as built. Mr. Fenimore stated that he has spoken with Sheetz about this issue. He expressed concern that the zoning ordinance has regulations and should be adhered to in this situation. Mr. Costlow stated that the zoning ordinance refers to township and state-owned public roadways, not private property.

Mr. Heffelfinger stated that the township will contact representatives of Sheetz and discuss the concerns of Mr. Fenimore. The Township is more than willing to work with them to resolve any dangerous hazardous areas.

### **Letter (copy) from HS&WA to Johnstown Redevelopment Authority – Semi Annual Progress Report July 1 – December 31, 2020**

A copy of a letter was received from HSWA sent to the Johnstown Redevelopment Authority, enclosing a copy of the semiannual progress report for I & I. This is done in accordance with DEP regulations.

### **Letter (copy) from HS&WA to PA DEP – 2021 EDU request Ingleside STP Drainage Area**

A copy of a letter from HSWA to the PADEP was received, whereby Highland provided the 2021 edu request for the Ingleside STP Drainage Area. No building permits are permitted to be issued for new structures until the DEP approval is received.

### **Letter (copy) from HS&WA to PA DEP – 2021 EDU request Dornick Point STP Drainage Area**

A copy of a letter was received from HS&WA to PA DEP, whereby Highland submitted the 2021 request for Dornick Point STP Drainage area. No building permits may be issued until DEP approves the tap request.

### **Letter from HS&WA – 2020 Corrective Action Plan**

A letter was received from HS&WA, providing a copy of the 2020 Corrective Action Plan

## **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Payment of the Bills**

- It was moved by Mr. Saylor to approve the general fund bills in the amount of \$180,814.37, seconded by Mr. Lehman. All in favor.

- Mr. Saylor moved to approve the out of meeting checks to SWIF in the amount of \$2,387.00 and \$2,540.10 to CAT, seconded by Mr. Lehman. Motion carried.

### **AT&T Mobility – Leasehold (minor) Subdivision J136 Eisenhower Blvd (off Bradley Road)**

The Richland Township Planning Commission reviewed and recommended approval of the AT&T Mobility Leasehold Subdivision at J136 Eisenhower Blvd. The parcel is off Bradley Road.

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The proposed leasehold subdivision and development plan calls for the construction of a telecommunications tower on a 10,000 SF leased area. The lot is zoned L-1 (Light Industrial).

- Mr. Wingard moved to approve the AT&T Mobility Leasehold Subdivision, seconded by Mr. Paul. All in favor.

**Public Comment**

Mr. Barker, Executive Director stated that the Nees Avenue Stormwater Project is ready for advertising for bids. The prebid meeting is set for February 24<sup>th</sup>. Bid opening is set for March 15<sup>th</sup>.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly D Stayrook, Secretary  
Richland Township