

THURSDAY, June 7, 2018
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
ROARING BROOK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The regular meeting of the Roaring Brook Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, June 7, 2018 at 8:15 pm at the Municipal Building on Blue Shutters Road. Present were Supervisors Anthony Jordan, Robert Farischon and Eric Schield, Attorney Joseph O'Brien, Chief Donald Hickey, Paul Kozik, Gerard Hetman for the County, Joe Nayda Michele Wilk, Rosemary & Paul Mizerak, Liz & Bob Quinn, Donald Shiffer, Diane Walls, Pat Pallien, and Joe Scaduto.

Chairman Jordan announced prior to the meeting a hearing was held for proposed changes to the Zoning Map and Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Ordinance. He also reported an executive session with the attorney to discuss possible litigation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Gerard Hetman – Public meetings to address vacant and abandoned properties in our community. The next meeting is June 11 at the 911 Center in Jessup.

Lackawanna County is asking for historical items for a time capsule that will serve as a cornerstone in the Lackawanna County Government Center at The Globe. Submission deadline is June 21st.

A Bike Safety Fair scheduled for June 23 at McDade Park from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Summer activities: Family Fun Days, Arts in the Parks and special events at the Electric City Trolley Museum.

MINUTES & TREASURERS REPORT

- A **MOTION to accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 3, 2018** as presented, was made by Farischon and seconded by Schield. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION to accept the Accounts Payable and Payroll of June 7, 2018** as presented, was made by Farischon and seconded by Schield. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION to accept the Treasurer's Report of June 7, 2018** as presented, was made by Schield, and seconded by Farischon. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Lackawanna County Planning Commission recommendation of approval of the Shiffer Lot Consolidation in Windsor Hill.
- PA Department of General Services letter informing the Township's eligibility application to participate in the PA Federal Surplus Property Program is approved and will expire on June 4, 2021.
- PSATS announcing Youth Awards Program contest.
- Comcast new premium channel launch.
- Letter from Lackawanna County Conservation District inspection report assessing sediment control plan implementation for the Rehabilitation of Lake Scranton site in Roaring Brook Township
- .A letter from Jan Guzior of Overlook Lane offering to purchase the vacant lot next to her home from the Township at a price of \$1.00.
- Third quarter report from Lackawanna County Solid Waste Advisory Committee on the status of the Municipal Waste Plan.
- A letter from Geological and Environmental Associates notifying the Township a Notice of Intent to Remediate and Final Report to PA DEP for the Leonard Ross property. The report indicates that the remediation performed has attained compliance with the statewide Health Cleanup Standard.
- Comcast franchise fee of \$8640.11 for January – March 2018.
- A letter of resignation from Officer Patrick Chelland to Chief Hickey.
- A refund check in the amount of \$840.37 for the Liquid Fuels Tax.
- Notice of State Police Fines payment in the amount of \$1132.50.

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- PA Dept. of Transportation reporting a monitoring review of the Township's Liquid Fuels Tax Fund balance and Equipment Fund balance are accurate. A comment noted expenditures should be recorded in the correct budget item.
- Notification from Verizon of renewal of one year agreement for phone services has been automatically renewed.
- North Pocono Public Library Flag Day ceremony will be held June 14 at 3:30 p.m.
- Notice from Comcast informing changes to their bill design.
- Roaring Brook Township Planning Commission recommending approval of Shiffer lot unification.

ACTION ON CORRESPONDENCE

- Jordan said the Overlook Lane lot sale for the price of \$1.00 would not be fair. If the Supervisors decide to sell the lot as surplus property they would have to follow the 2nd Class Township Code and put it out for bid, probably establishing a minimum bid.. Township accepted the lot when a property owner had two lots one with an EDU connection and another without. The EDU connection was transferred to a different property and the owner give the lot on Overlook to the Township.
- Jordan reported a renewal contract was signed with Comcast in 2017 and the Township's franchise fee was increased.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon was seconded by Schield to **accept with regret the resignation of Officer Patrick Chelland**. Motion carried.
- Jordan commented there have been numerous calls about the fallen tree on the Verizon line by the ponds on Blue Shutters Road. The Township has made several attempts to notify Verizon. Jordan and Schield met with representatives from PennDot and inquired if the line is in PennDot's right of way.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- Nothing to report.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

- Report read. Township will participate in the County's Electronic Recycling on Monday, June 18th from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Maintenance Building on Elmhurst Blvd. Paving on Gardner Road should be in July.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Report read and on file.

RECYCLING

- 5.74 ton for May 2018, 32.76 ton YTD that is a difference of 4.60 ton less than 2017at this time. Shred day was June 1st and contractor reported there was more tonnage than last year.

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- None.

BUILDING PERMITS

- None

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

- None.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Schield to **approve the subdivision of lots 42 and 43 land of Donald Shiffer to consolidate the two lots into one.** Motion carried.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon and seconded by Schield to **approve the amendment to the existing Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map, Ordinance #1-2018.** Motion carried
- A **MOTION** by Schield and seconded by Schield to **approve the changes to the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance, Ordinance 2-2018.** Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- None

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Ross Property Oil Leak – Mrs. Walls hopes the retention area of the oil leak is closed up properly. Zoning Officer Kozik said he will remind DEP if there is another oil leak after the area has been closed up that the case will be reopened.
- Mr. & Mrs. Mizerak and Mrs Quinn and Robert Quinn, Jr. of Mosswood Road have concerns about the noise, ATVs and nuisance behavior of some of the children in their neighborhood and the water company's land. Chief Hickey said the police were patrolling the area more frequently and they tried contacting the water company via the Communication Center with no response from the water company.

Jordan said the Supervisors are reviewing a maintenance Ordinance that would include noise. Also, there is going to be a meeting between our Roadmaster, our engineers and the PA American Water Company about the poor paving job done last year by the work company and ATVs on the water company will be mentioned.

ADJOURNMENT

- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Schield was made **to adjourn at 9:45 PM.** Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Farischon, Secretary