

TILDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Wednesday, February 9, 2022
Regular Meeting

The Tilden Township Board of Supervisors met in the Township Municipal Building with the following present: Supervisors Gene Schappell, Fred Herman and Richard DeLong, Township Solicitor Joan London, Township Road Master Michael Quick, Township Police Chief William McEllroy, Township Manager/Secretary/Treasurer Monica Flower, Township Assistant Secretary Lorraine Ramirez and local residents. A copy of the roster is on file with the secretary.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gene Schappell at 7:14 P. M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD ON FEBRUARY 9, 2022 AT 6:30 P.M. IN REGARDS TO PERSONNEL.

Meeting recessed at 7:15 P.M. for the Northern Berks Joint Comprehensive Plan Hearing.

Meeting reconvened at 7:27 P.M.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Resident Bob Hein asked if we had a trash burning ordinance, specifically with tires or plastics. After discussion Supervisor Schappell requested that he give the Township Manager an address for the township to send letter to that resident.
- Mr. Hein also mentioned there are tires piled up again at Mavis Tire building located at Tilden Ridge Drive. Chief McEllroy will communicate this to the fire chief for review.
- Resident Ronnie Arndt was concerned about residents in the township not having house numbers properly posted or visible from the road, especially Mountain Road. He referred to an ordinance that was passed regarding requirements for building numbers. Supervisor Schappell instructed Police Chief McEllroy to have police department drive by area of Mountain Road specifically to see which houses do not have numbers.
- Supervisor Schappell asked Ronnie Arndt about the tractor trailers that he mentioned in last months meeting, regarding trailers parked at Aloe 9-5/Edge Self-Storage area. Township will have Zoning Officer review the Certification of Order from the Zoning Hearing Board and address any issues.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Richard DeLong to pay the following bills for December 2021. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to pay the following bills for January 2022 and accept the debt service. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

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PAYMENT OF BILLS - December 2021

General Fund - Ck# 4598 - 4638 in the amount of \$30,733.94
Auto deductions in the amount of \$21,630.16
Payroll - Ck# 13533 and EFT in the amount of \$45,316.41
Building & Zoning - Ck# 358 - 369 in the amount of \$9,226.92
Sewer Fund - Ck# 3264 - 3269 in the amount of \$86,430.01
Auto deductions in the amount of \$736.53
Water System - Ck# 1062 - 1068 in the amount of \$8,167.00
Auto deductions in the amount of \$521.10
Cabela Traffic Light - Ck# 2054 - 2055 in the amount of \$745.00
Auto deductions in the amount of \$46.88
Tilden Ridge Traffic Light Fund - Ck# 133 - 134 in the amount of \$670.00
Auto deductions in the amount of \$107.08
TIP Traffic Light - Ck# 2018 in the amount of \$215.00
Auto deductions in the amount of \$57.19
TIP Street Light Fund - Auto deduction in the amount of \$741.49
West Hamburg Street Light - Auto deduction in the amount of \$227.30
Traffic Impact Fund - Ck# 1040 in the amount of \$294.75
Stormwater Control Fund - Ck# 138 in the amount of 220.75

PAYMENT OF BILLS - January 2022

General Fund - Ck# 4639 - 4666 in the amount of \$35,633.98
Auto deductions in the amount of \$14,525.57
Payroll - Ck# 13534 - 13538 & EFT in the amount of \$54,691.64
Building & Zoning - Ck# 370 - 371 in the amount of \$2,410.20
Auto deductions in the amount of \$13.63
Sewer Fund - Ck# 3270 in the amount of \$11,156.63
Auto deductions in the amount of \$985.73
Water System - Ck# 1062 - 1068 in the amount of \$2,043.00
Auto deductions in the amount of \$644.06
Cabela Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$51.81
Tilden Ridge Traffic Light Fund - Auto deductions in the amount of \$117.65
TIP Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$62.48
TIP Street Light Fund - Auto deduction in the amount of \$741.49
West Hamburg Street Light - Auto deduction in the amount of \$227.30

DEBT SERVICE

Tilden Collection System - \$1,407,466.51
HMA sewer expansion - \$2,710,346.28

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Richard DeLong to approve the January 19, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

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SOLICITOR

A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to approve the Smith Bukowski Representation agreement for the PennDOT Bridge Tolling Litigation with a one-time fee of \$100.00. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Richard DeLong to adopt Resolution 2022-12 for the Northern Berks Joint Comprehensive Plan. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

Police

A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to accept Jose Quinones' resignation effective February 9, 2022. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

- The report for January 2022 was given by Chief McEllroy.

ZONING/BUILDING

- The Report for January 2022 was received.

ROADMASTER/DRIVEWAY

- The Report for January 2022 was given by Michael Quick.

SEWER

- None

WATER SYSTEM

- Discussion regarding the DEP permit application that David Gettle still needs to completed. Elite Water Ops. is looking into the possibility of turning in the application to DEP as is.

PARK & RECREATION

A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to purchase equipment for the Tilden Park, baseball field fence and basketball court at the Senator Rhoades Park in the amount of \$11,459.74 from the \$15,000.00 grant generously given to the Township by Kelly Auto Group. The remainder of the funds will be used for related purchases and maintenance. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

SECRETARY

- The secretary's report for January 2022 was given by Monica Flower.
- The outdoor message board has been delivered and will be installed when the ground thaws.

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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Richard DeLong to designate Gene Schappell to represent the supervisors in a meeting with Jarrod Emes, the Chief of Police and Township Manager to review the draft of the Emergency Operations Plan. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

OLD BUSINESS

A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to correct the Re-organization minutes to read Fred Herman as Assistant Treasurer. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to approve corrected 2022 MMO for the Police Pension. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to Adopt Resolution 2022-13 Employee wage for 2022. Upon roll call Schappell and Herman voted yes, DeLong voted no.

- Supervisor Schappell, Manager Monica Flower and Solicitor Joan London will meet to review the Rental Inspection Ordinance Plan in more detail.

SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT

A Motion was made by Richard DeLong and seconded by Fred Herman to accept letter of withdrawal for the Long Subdivision Plan. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Richard DeLong to approve Stormwater Controls & Best Management Practices Operations & Maintenance Agreement for Pleasant Hills Mobile Home Park; Lot #42. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Richard DeLong to approve Final Subdivision/Land Development Improvements and Financial Security Agreement for Pleasant Hills Mobile; Lot #42. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to grant Final Plan approval for Pleasant Hills Mobile Home Park; Lot #42. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

NEW BUSINESS

A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to send a letter to the Zoning Hearing Board supporting the request for the Cabela's Parking Variance. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

- Discussion regarding the Zoning Hearing Board Appeal for Joseph Tetz at 525 Mountain View Drive. The Supervisors have no recommendation at this time.

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MISCELLANEOUS

- None

ADJOURNMENT

A Motion was made by Richard DeLong and seconded by Fred Herman to adjourn the meeting @ 9:13 P.M. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

ATTEST:

Lorraine Ramirez
Assistant Secretary