

March 5, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Foster Township Supervisors was held at the Municipal Building.

Members present: Chairman Sterling, Carr, Solicitor Brennan.

Copies of the previous meeting minutes were given to supervisors there were no corrections the minutes stand approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Richard Burmeister questions if heating oil will be put out for bid for 2019- 2020 year.

Mr Burmeister also question the internet survey sent out by the Township, was an invoice received from Gateway Consulting, Mr. Brennan states no invoice was received yet.

ENGINEER REPORT

2019 MISC. Questions>>> Penndot District 5 in Allentown has contacted Benesch on several potential driveway permit violations.

The US Census Boundary and Annexations Survey has been completed.

Grant opportunities for Police Grant have been worked on with Chief Nettles.

Schuylkill County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update>>>>The Schuylkill County Hazard Mitigation plan has been submitted to PEMA who will need to sign-off on the plan's delivery to FEMA.

Hazard Mitigation Grant Opportunity Meeting>>>>>Benesch attended the Schuylkill County Office of Planning Grant Opportunity Meeting and Floodplain Management and the National Floodplain Insurance Program Update. The current floodplain ordinance will be reviewed to comply with the federal and state regulations.

USDA Reconnect Program>>>>>Benesch attended the Reconnect webinar, the program outlined the three types of grant program that will open tentatively in March 2019. M. Hill of Consulting Gateway states the township may not have enough information to complete a grant this year

PEMA 2018 Floodplain Management Report>>> the 2018 Foster Township Floodplain Management Activates Annual Report has been completed and sent to PEMA.

Township Building Paving Project>>>>>the creation of the bid packet has begun.

2019 Comprehensive Plan>>>. Mr. Michael Burda was contacted from Blythe Township to obtain mapping and to request Hydrant flows. BTMA anticipates the collection of the data once the weather breaks and their flushing program restarts in the spring.

Last month's meeting was cancelled due to weather, the next meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Foster Township Planning Commission>>>>>BBZ Research Haugh Minor Subdivision The applicant has requested a 90-day extension due to the Penndot Highway Occupancy Permit still pending review.

A Motion was made by Carr second by Sterling to grant the extension due to the HOP permit pending.

PENNDOT Green Light Go>>>>the contractor has submitted shop drawings for approval. Benesch has approved these shop drawings and the equipment has been ordered. Since the project bids were under the grant received, SEDCO has requested a change order to replace additional signage as well as electrical service. Anticipated completion spring 2019.

SOLICITOR REPORT

Update Reading Anthracite Appeals>>> Reading agrees to demolition of 2 homes per year.

Motion by Sterling second by Carr to agree to settlement with Reading Anthracite of demolition of 2 homes per year.

Solicitor Brennan reports Gateway Consulting will be in attendance for the March 20, 2019 Comprehensive Plan Meeting.

Mr. Brennan reviews on foreclosed properties. A Motion was made to appoint Bill Burke as lawyer to petition orphan Court to service administrator of the foreclosed or dilapidated properties, by Sterling second by Carr.

Mr. Brennan holds a discussion on George Davies property, motion was made to give Mr. Brennan the authority for conservatorship to rehabilitate the Davies property by Sterling second by Carr.

ROADMASTER REPORT

Plowing went well, truckload of salt delivered, Truck is set for delivery from Kovach when plow is installed.

PILICE REPORT

15 incidents

Discussion on Grants available for Police equipment, a motion was made to authorize Chief Nettles or Dan Cook to contact Karen Parrish on JAG Application if needed, By Carr second by Sterling.

Motion to adjourn by Carr second by Sterling.

ATTEST:

Janet Mitchell

Secretary

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