

**LITTLE BRITAIN TOWNSHIP  
FEBRUARY 11, 2020**

The Little Britain Township Board of Supervisors held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at the Municipal Building, 323 Green Lane, Quarryville, Pennsylvania. Prior notice of the meeting was given.

Chairman, Jerry Emling, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A moment of silence was followed by the salute to the Flag.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Jerry Emling	Jeff Ainsle	Josh Martin
	Clark Coates	Jay Burkholder	Felicia Newman
	Richard Brenneman	Christopher Colletti	George Osborn
	Shawn Reimold	Trisha Colletti	Marcella Peyre-Ferry
	Pat Wood	Dan Grinestaff	Dan Risk
	Christine Jackson	Stephen Malone	Daryl Sensenig
	Margaret DeCarolis	Brian Masterson	Tim Trostle

**MINUTES:** Motion made by Mr. Brenneman, seconded by Mr. Coates and carried to adopt the minutes of the January 6th meeting as printed.

**SANITATION:** It was reported that Mr. Stoner collected \$525.00 in Sanitation fees during the month of January. No well permits were issued.

**ZONING:** Zoning Officer, Christine Jackson reported issuing 2 zoning, 6 occupancy, 1 driveway and 2 demolition permits during the month of January along with the acceptance of 4 Zoning Hearing Applications. Ms. Jackson also advised the Board on the following:

- Zoning Hearing Application of James Kreider of Green Lane who is requesting a special exception and variance to allow him to add on to a previously approved converted apartment. He is looking to enclose a screened in porch to provide for year-round living space. He would also like to add a laundry and mud room. Following a review of the application, the Board noted it without comment.
- Zoning Hearing Application of Ivan and Brenda Zimmerman of Kirks Mill Road who are seeking a special exception of sections 201.3B of the zoning ordinance and variances of sections 440.4, 440.5 and 607.4. They are proposing to relocate a barn on their property which is currently only 8 feet off the roadway. The proposed location does not meet the 100-foot setback required but would be 25 feet off the roadway. They are also seeking approval for the keeping of livestock on the property and plan to fence the entire back yards of his adjoining properties. The proposed barn to be built will be 60 by 48 feet. Following a review of the application, the Board noted they were in favor of the application as the moving of the barn on the property would improve a bad situation due to its current location.
- Zoning Hearing Application of Four Corners Properties located on Puseyville Rd. Ms. Jackson introduced Jeff Ainsle of Red Barn Consulting to present the application. Mr. Ainsle advised the property on Puseyville Rd was previously approved for a pine bark mulch facility. They would now like to modify the operation to include the mixing of

organic material with the pine bark mulch. The organic material will be composted and stabilized off site, no raw materials will be brought to the site. Felicia Newman presented samples of the completed compost and perlite material to be mixed with the pine bark mulch. It was noted that a majority of this property is located within East Drumore Township, with only 4.5 acres of property in Little Britain. The company is not looking to increase or add to the structure already within the Township. Stephen Malone of Coast of Maine, which merged with Frey Brother's indicated the company has been in business for 22 years and this site, if approved would be the 2<sup>nd</sup> to mix the completed compost with pine bark mulch. Mr. Brenneman indicated he has visited the site and believes the operation to be well run and maintained. Following a review of the plan, the Board noted the application without comment.

- Resident Jay Burkholder addressed the Board advising of his goal to establish a middle ground between the wants of the school and the township to allow this matter to be completed. He provided an overview of details from his prospective and stated his belief that the school had always worked well with the zoning regulations in the past. Mr. Emling thanked Mr. Burkholder for addressing the Board with his viewpoint but advised that the Board did not wish to discuss the legal strategy by having a detailed discussion in public. Mr. Brenneman then questioned the process of the Board of Supervisors appealing a decision of the Zoning Hearing Board. Ms. Jackson provided a brief overview of the process of filing an appeal. Mr. Coates then motioned the Solicitor be authorized to appeal the decision of the Little Britain Township Zoning Hearing Board granting a variance to Weaverland Mennonite and Aaron Stoltzfus to house 4 horses on the property. Mr. Reimold seconded the motion, which carried. Mr. Brenneman opposed the motion.

**TAXES:** It was reported that Tax Collector, Agnes Reeder reporting collecting \$1,812.04 in Real Estate tax and \$138.34 in Interim tax during the month of December 2018. It was further noted that Ms. Reeder had completed her end of year reconciliation with the County, turned over all unpaid tax statements for collections and was awaiting the arrival of 2020 tax statements.

**ROADS:** The Board was advised of the following activities of the road crew for January as follows:

- Worked on dirt roads.
- Cleaned shop area.
- Worked on equipment.
- Checked roads.
- Filled in potholes on dirt roads.
- Performed routine equipment maintenance.
- Treated roads for snow and ice.
- Picked up motors for salt spreaders.
- Mixed salt and anti-skid materials.
- Worked on snow equipment.
- Cleaned equipment following snow.
- Picked up cold patch and filled potholes.
- Checked roads following rainstorm
- Hauled stone for stockpiling.

- Checked driveway permit sites.

Mr. Emling questioned if there was any major damage following the recent storms. Mr. Risk indicated only minor problems were incurred. It was noted that a repeated problem is being incurred with the blowing of recyclables. Following a discussion on the matter, Mr. Risk indicated he will try placing the recycling dumpster into the empty bay of the salt shed to rectify the matter. The Board was also advised that Lori Hillman has taken responsibility for the recycling program since Ms. Latham is unable to oversee the program.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:** Motion made by Mr. Coates, seconded by Mr. Brenneman and carried authorizing the payment of General Fund checks 11650 through 11697 in the amount of \$40,614.89. Motion made by Mr. Brenneman, seconded by Mr. Reimold and carried authorizing the payment of State Fund check 2032 in the amount of \$4,136.56.

**STATE POLICE:** Lt. Vincent D'Angelo of the State Police advised that Board that crime within the Township remains low. He indicated there had been a slight increase in accidents from 2018 to 2019. Ms. Wood questioned if any roads were more prone to accidents than others. Lt. D'Angelo advised that a majority of accidents, as well as traffic stops occur on Little Britain and Nottingham Roads as those roads are the most heavily traveled. Mr. Brenneman questioned if there had been an increase in accidents involving buggies. He was advised no noticeable change was evident in crash figures. Ms. Wood then questioned if there was any new information on Amish vehicles needing to be registered and if Amish are ticketed for children not being restrained within car seats. Lt. D'Angelo stated he was unaware of any pending legislation regarding the registering of buggies and that Amish are not ticketed for non-use of car seats as they are not required in buggies. Mr. Emling expressed dismay that laws forbidding the use of steel wheels on roadways were not enforced and advised of a ticket issued years ago that was rescinded following pressure from legislatures. Zoning Officer, Ms. Jackson advised of her desire for buggies to be licensed/tagged so they can be identified in the event of an accident if the buggy leaves the scene of the incident prior to the arrival of police. Resident, George Osborn agreed that steel wheels on vehicles create hazards on the road.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Supervisor, Pat Wood indicated that a representative from Penn Medicine attended a recent Inter-Municipal Council (IMC) meeting seeking input from residents pertaining to the services they provide. She noted that Penn Medicine had been considering adding a facility in the Buck area but that all financial resources at this time were being utilized to expand the emergency room at the hospital. She further indicated that these representatives would be present again at the March 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of the IMC and encouraged residents to attend to express their desires and concerns about health care. The meeting will be held at the East Drumore Township building at 7 p.m.

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** Motion made by Mr. Coates, seconded by Ms. Wood and carried to adopt the minutes of the January 14<sup>th</sup> and January 28<sup>th</sup> Township Planning Commission meetings as printed.

**Aaron Stoltzfus:** Tim Trostle of Strausser Surveying presented the plan for the doubling of a house on which he will be requesting a waiver of plan processing. As there are still

corrections to be made to the plan, it will be presented again in March for approval. Mr. Trostle also presented the planning module – Resolution #1-20 for the plan requesting its approval. Following a review of the information presented, Mr. Reimold motioned the approval of the planning module – Resolution #1-20. Ms. Wood seconded the motion, which carried.

**Dana Eldreth & Diana Chute:** Brian Masterson of Register Associates presented the lot add-on plan requesting a waiver of land development. It was noted the property is zoned residential and that the approval received previously on the property allowed for the creation and sale of pottery only, not any other commercial business. Following a review of the plan, a motion was made Mr. Reimold, seconded by Ms. Wood and carried authorizing conditional approval of the plan contingent upon approval from the County Planning Commission, receipt of an easement agreement and a corrected plan on file.

**Elam & Fanny Stoltzfus:** Brian Masterson of Register Associates presented the plan for the doubling of a home requesting a waiver of land development and approval of the Planning module – Resolution #2-20. It was noted the property had a failing septic system which has been rectified. Ms. Jackson confirmed the property owner was aware that stormwater regulations would apply to this project. Following a review of the plan, Ms. Wood motioned the approval of the plan, a waiver of land development and approval of the planning module – Resolution #2-20. The motion was seconded by Mr. Reimold and carried.

**Elaine & Charles Craig:** Brian Masterson of Register Associates presented the plan for the installation of a farm employee housing unit. He requested a waiver of land development and approval of the planning module. Following a review of the plan, a motion was made by Ms. Wood, seconded by Mr. Reimold and carried authorizing the requests as presented.

**STORMWATER PLANS:** Zoning Officer, Ms. Jackson presented the stormwater plan for the Charles and Connie Grinestaff on Kirks Mill Road. Ms. Jackson noted that all concerns of the Township Engineer had been addressed. Following a review of the plan, Mr. Reimold motioned the plan be accepted as presented. Mr. Brenneman seconded the motion, which carried.

**WAKEFIELD AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION:** The Board was advised that per Ann Weller from the Lancaster County 911 Center that the Board can request whatever ambulance provider they prefer in writing. Following a brief discussion on the matter, a motion was made by Ms. Wood, seconded by Mr. Brenneman and carried appointing the Wakefield Ambulance Association to serve as the primary/first responder to all ambulance calls within the Township.

**LANCASTER COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE:** The Board discussed the donation request from the county Drug Task Force. Following a discussion on the matter, Mr. Coates motioned the Board maintain the \$1,000.00 donation they have made in previous years. Mr. Brenneman seconded the motion, which carried.

Supervisor, Ms. Wood left the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

**GARAGE LIGHTING:** Roadmaster, Mr. Risk presented an estimate received from Harnish Electrical Service for the replacement of lights in the shop area. The proposal is for the removal of the current lighting and the installation of 21 LED high bay fixtures. The proposed rate of the project is \$6,887.26, following rebates offered through PP&L. The Township would be responsible for the rental of a scissor lift. Following a review of the proposal, a motion was made by Mr. Reimold, seconded by Mr. Brenneman and carried authorizing the purchase and installation of the new light.

**2013 PETERBILT:** Mr. Risk advised the Board that Salisbury Township will be accepting sealed bids on a 2013 Peterbilt truck through March 17. The truck currently has 14,000 miles and a 14ft Hewey aluminum dump body. He noted his belief that this could be a good truck to replace one of the 2000 Peterbilt trucks. Mr. Emling agreed this could be a smart move for the Township if we want to continue updating our equipment in a timely manner. He requested that Mr. Risk obtain pricing on similarly outfitted new trucks for comparison purposes.

**CLEANING SERVICES:** The Board was presented with price quotes from 4 various cleaning services. The prices ranged from \$85.00 to \$350.00 per cleaning. Following a review and discussion of the estimates, Mr. Emling motioned that Merry Maids of Lancaster be appointed as the cleaning service for 2020. Mr. Reimold seconded the motion, which carried.

**AGRICULTURAL SECURITY AREA:** The Board was advised that Jerry and Laurie O'Donnell are requesting to add 30.73 acres of property located on Quail Road into the Agricultural Security area. A motion was made by Mr. Emling, seconded by Mr. Reimold and carried to acknowledge receipt of the application.

**RELEASE OF ESCROW:** Per the recommendation of Township Engineer, a motion was made by Mr. Coates authorizing the release of escrow funds for Isaac Stoltzfus on his Pine Grove Road project. Mr. Reimold seconded the motion, which carried.

**TRAINING/SEMINARS:** Upcoming training and seminars were reviewed.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 9:16 p.m., being no further business, motion was made by Mr. Reimold, seconded by Mr. Brenneman and carried to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret D. DeCarolis  
Secretary/Treasurer