

DERRY TOWNSHIP REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

The Derry Township Board of Supervisors held its Regular Monthly Meeting, Monday, March 1, 2021 at 5:30 p.m., Township Municipal Building, 73 Reserve Lane, Lewistown.

Present:

Chairman	Ronald E. Napikoski, Jr.	Manager	Kelly J. Shutes
Vice-Chairman	Donald R Warntz, II	Solicitor	Jeffrey L. Snook
Supervisor	John T. Sipe	Roadmaster	Justin Allen

R. Napikoski called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

J. Sipe made a motion to approve the Minutes of the February 15, 2021 Mid-Month Township Meeting. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

SOLICITOR:

Atty. Snook had a conversation with Atty. Colby, legal counsel for Berks Homes/Blossom Hill Development concerning an encroachment by the owners of Lot #47 who constructed a pool that is several feet over the property line of Lot # 55 and extends into a stormwater swale. According to Atty. Colby, Berks Homes is working with the homeowner and is hoping that an easement will be granted on the lands of Lot # 55 to Lot # 47 rather than a conveyance. ELA will work with the Township Engineer to work out the best way to address the stormwater encroachment. Atty. Snook indicated to Atty. Colby that Derry Township is not interested in financing any costs related to this issue. Berks Homes is aware of stormwater issues reviewed last year and hope to address them in the spring of 2021.

D. Warntz made a motion to finalize a draft of an RFP for a solicitor and advertise as soon as possible. J. Sipe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0. Atty. Snook said he is willing to wrap up any outstanding business near his retirement date of June 1, 2021 at the request of the Supervisors.

ROAD REPORT:

The Roadmaster reported that he had a variety of mechanical problems with the trucks during the month of February and the multiple snowstorms. Most were minor, but we are waiting on a new transmission for one of the trucks. It is under warranty. The Road Dept. has begun filling potholes and street sweeping areas where there are large amounts of cinders.

VISITORS:

Laura Simonetti was present to bring the Supervisors up to date on renaming street addresses that utilize a Rear of property designation. The new Next Generation 911 software the County EMS is using provides for much more accurate addressing by using GIS data. To get a better location address, 17 properties in Derry Township will need to be re-addressed. This includes naming alleys that have residences fronting on the alley. A Resolution must be prepared to name the alleys. Ron suggested holding a public hearing to notify people about the new changes. He also asked the Sentinel to help promote the information. J. Sipe made a motion to authorize the Solicitor to draft a Resolution with direction from M. C. GIS Dept. to name the appropriate alleys in Derry Township. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None given

OLD BUSINESS:

D. Warntz made a motion to award the bids for UMP stockpatch to Hei-Way, Inc., and G O Hawbaker for remainder of items as follows:

Glenn O Hawbaker, Inc.			Hei-way, LLC		
	PLANT	DELIVERED		PLANT	DELIVERED
9.5 mm	69.00	n/a	9.5 mm		
19 mm	57.00	n/a	19 mm		
25 mm	67.00	n/a	25 mm		
UPM			UPM	86.00	108.00
2RC	8.70	12.53	2RC		
2B	12.25	16.08	2B		
1B	15.00	18.83	1B		
ANTI-SKID/Type AS1	12.00	15.83	ANTI-SKID/Type AS1		
2A STONE	9.00	12.83	2A STONE		
GABION STONE	12.50	16.33	GABION STONE		

J. Sipe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

D. Warntz made a motion to award the bids for pipe as follows, noting the fact that even though there was minimal lower pricing for the 10" and 12" pipe/ft. from Core & Main, L B Water had better overall pricing and was awarded the entire bid:

LB Water	
10" plastic	5.34
12" plastic	6.20
15" plastic	8.39
18" plastic	11.41
24" plastic	18.45
connecting bands 10"	6.70
connecting bands 12"	7.55
connecting bands 15"	12.50
connecting bands 18"	21.35
connecting bands 24"	31.00

J. Sipe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

R. Napikoski stepped from the chair and made a motion to award the quote for heating oil and off-road diesel to Nittany Energy for 2021. J. Sipe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

Three quotes were obtained for installation of security cameras throughout Kish Park as follows:

Quotes for Park Security Cameras (*see proposals for details*)

- 1) One Stop Communications - \$17,865
- 2) KIT-Communications - \$18,987 + 3 options at \$1,444 each (COSTARS)
- 3) TWG Security - \$55,965.65 (COSTARS)

After discussion on the three submissions, R. Napikoski stepped from the chair and made a motion to award the contract to KIT Communications in the amount of \$18,987 + all three optional items and with the understanding that the Township would possibly like to add more cameras to the contract in areas that may need surveillance. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0. This contract will also accommodate public Wi-Fi service at the park.

Discussion held on the Pond Improvement Project at Kish Park. The Township Engineer has prepared an estimate of work necessary to dredge the pond and to install gabion baskets along the pond near the walking trail, as well as perform concrete work for areas of the bridge and for removal/repairs of the wire fencing around the pond. His initial estimate is \$104,625, including some labor and materials that will be provided in-house. D. Warntz made a motion to authorize the Township Manager to advertise the Kish Park Pond Rehabilitation Project for bids. J. Sipe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0. Jim Zubler suggested grants may be available for other areas of the park with a Keystone Communities Grant.

NEW BUSINESS:

D. Warntz made a motion to approve the Park Use Application for a Girl Scout "Drive-Thru" Cookie Sale on March 12 – 14, March 19 – 21 and March 27 & 28, 2021 on condition of receipt of the appropriate fees and Certificate of Insurance. J. Sipe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

Discussion held on how a dissolution of the Derry Township Fire Police Association would be handled and how any existing funds would be distributed. Atty. Snook will investigate the laws relating to this. The Derry Township Fire Police Association has had declining numbers of members for years and is mostly inactive.

The Western PA Conservancy (WPC) is planning to submit a grant application to the PA DCNR to update the Juniata Watershed Management Plan. WPC requests the Township's support for their application. Trevor Weaver, M. C. Conservation District, explained that the Juniata Watershed Management Plan is an inventory of the regional resources to the Juniata River Watershed, resource improvements, resource concerns and projects/actions to address those concerns. He explained that the plan was initiated in 2000 but is being brought up to date. D. Warntz made a motion to direct the Manager to prepare a Letter of Support for the Juniata Watershed Management Plan. J. Sipe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

FYI

Thomas Torquato, Esq. has announced his retirement and his position as attorney representing the Derry Township Zoning Hearing Board. Jeffrey Davies, Esq., of Torquato Law Offices, has agreed to represent the D. T. Zoning Hearing Board.

The 2021 Paving Project has been advertised for bid opening on March 15, 2021.

The 2021 Liquid Fuels allocation has been received in the amount of \$280,096.10.

There being no further business, J. Sipe made a motion to adjourn at 6:15 p.m. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 – 0.

DERRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Kelly J. Shutes,
Township Manager