WOODWARD TOWNSHIP BOARD of SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING

June 14, 2023 – Minutes

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Woodward Township Board of Supervisors was held on Wednesday, June 14, at the Township Building. Chairman Jeff Stroehmann called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Others present were Joseph Bertin, III, Wayne Robinson, Marc Drier, Charles Blanchard, Brad Gordner, Gary Knarr, William Michaels, and Pamela Musser.

Recording the Meeting: No one is recording the minutes.

Minutes & Treasurer's Report: The minutes of May 10 meeting were presented and approved with three corrections, on a motion by Mr. Bertin, III and seconded by Mr. Robinson and unanimously approved. The Treasurer's Report was approved on a motion by Mr. Bertin, III, and seconded by Mr. Robinson and unanimously approved.

Planning Commission Report: Gary Knarr - no planning.

Zoning Report: Gary Knarr – There were a total of 10 seasonal permits (River Lots) issued, no subdivisions, and no land development permits. 3 zoning permits Jeff Marshall a new roof, John Metzger a new garage, and Carla Mitcheltree for a fence were issued this month. Zoning Violations were as follows: Bennett and Kohler properties are all continuing to work towards compliance. Two letters (Rooker and Flanigan) sent - correction action by 6/26/2023. If no corrective action then will proceed with paperwork to the District Court. It was discussed about the payments (checks) that will need to go with the filing for these. The Supervisors stated that they were ok with proceeding prior to the next meeting. Gary Knarr asked about ordering business cards. The enforcement notice was discussed, Mr. Knarr stated that there are several notices that need to go out. Mr. Knarr asked about door knockers, if someone is not home to let them know they are in violation and they will be getting a notice in the mail. Mr. Stroehmann asked for a report of new homes in the last 5 years.

<u>Solicitor Report</u>: Marc Drier – An attorney from Wilkes-Barre/Scranton area contacted Attorney Drier asking about solar farms in Woodward Township. Attorney Drier stated that a solar farm must go through a land development process and only allowed in the industrial district.

Road Superintendent Report: Wayne Robinson – Passed out estimates for roadwork for this year, and would like to put these out for bid. There was some discussion as to not being on the agenda and the Road Superintendent stated that he thought it was part of his report. Mr. Stroehmann asked about where the money was coming from it was stated the American Rescue Plan fund and also State fund. Solicitor Drier stated that the Supervisors can allow it to be put it on the agenda, Mr. Bertin, III made a motion to add the roadwork projects to the agenda, seconded by Mr. Robinson, Mr. Stroehmann voted no. The agenda will be changed and re posted on the door. The projects were discussed and where the money is going to come from. The American Rescue Plan, the State Fund, Act 13 money and the Access money that was transferred to the general fund in January are all places where the projects money can be taken from.

A separate discussion regarding the drainage on Youngs Road. Mr. Robinson stated that boxes and pipes could be installed separately from the projects for around \$10,000.

Mr. Robinson made a motion to put the road projects out for bid, Mr. Bertin, III seconded, Mr. Stroehmann voted no.

Citizens Comments: None

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Unfinished Business:

Smokes Liquor License request- Gary stated he did receive a preliminary request which he forwarded on to Code Inspections, as they will be the ones that come out to do the inspection for occupancy. Gary will do a site visit for the parking; the use of the property is a permitted use as a nonconforming use. Solicitor Drier stated that we have a resolution for the Smokes business. After a lengthy discussion, on a motion by Mr. Stroehmann, seconded by Mr. Bertin, III to not sign the resolution. Mr. Robinson asked about any way in which to protect Mr. Michaels. Mr. Stroehmann stated he will have to abstain as he helped with the lease. Mr. Michaels, owner of the property and lessee, Brad Gordner discussed their lease. Mr. Michaels and Mr. Gordner decided that the lease will be amended that no alcohol will be consumed on the property. A copy of the amended portion of the lease will be gotten to the Township. On a motion by Mr. Stroehmann, seconded by Mr. Bertin, III the resolution will be signed with the stipulation that the lease states that there will be no alcohol consumed on the property. This condition will be typed into the resolution. The Supervisors agreed upon this being added to the resolution.

Received a letter from PennDOT regarding the drainage problem from Queneshaque Rd to former Mountain View Deli. The letter stated that the existing drainage and the new drainage installed have been field viewed and are functioning properly.

Received an email from Sal Vitko from Lycoming County Planning and Community Development regarding the US 220 Corridor Safety Study. On a motion by Mr. Bertin, III seconded by Mr. Robinson the study on the corridor was approved unanimously.

New Business:

- Email regarding signage at the Browns Lane and Antlers Railroad crossings. The signs have been ordered. Mr. Robinson has to get the paint.
- Received a letter from DCNR regarding the Little Pine Emergency Action Plan. The notice was posted on the bulletin board and a copy was given to the Emergency Management Coordinator.
- Letter received from PLCB regarding the liquor license change of name for the bowling alley from Four B Corporation to Doc's Side of the Moon, LLC. All three Supervisors are in favor of the notice for the change of the name.
- Email from Greg Dibble RE: PennDot jug handle at Youngs Road and road behind barrier in East Linden. The email stated that the jug handle at Youngs Road will be the taken care of by the State and the road behind the barrier in East Linden will be the Township's.
- Lycoming County Taxing District Repository Sale for 135 and 144 Harvest Moon Park. On a motion by Mr. Stroehmann and seconded by Mr. Bertin, III, these were approved and signed.
- Excessive Maintenance Agreement for Wagner Hardwoods, LLC for 1st, Glosser and Grandview Rds.was signed. This agreement/permit is for excessive weight and traffic for the mentioned roads.
- **Registration of Property:** William J. and Dorsalee Fuller to Brooke Cohick, Timothy W. & Camela Mahaffey to Max & Lene Persun, M & J Investments Properties, LLC to Jarrett A. Jones and Laura A. Moff, Graffus G. Johnston, Jr. to Graffus G. Johnston, Jr. as Trustee of the Graffus G. Johnston, Jr Real Estate Protector Trust.

Correspondences were reviewed. Pending bills were reviewed and approved for payment. With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amela Musser