

TOWNSHIP OF STROUD
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING, April 6, 2021, 7:00 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the Stroud Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Vice Chairwoman & Ass't Secretary, Jennifer Shukaitis at 7:00 P.M. and was conducted remotely by internet utilizing Zoom.us. Also attending Supervisor/Ass't Treasurer Edward C. Cramer; Township Manager, Daryl A. Eppley; Township Solicitor, Todd Weitzmann; and Recording Secretary, Janice Willey. Chairwoman & Secretary, Mrs. Wilkins was absent. Ms. Shukaitis began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. (On April 5, a public notice was posted on Township website and Facebook page inviting remote public participation by email, phone and/or Zoom.us.)

Public Comments: (Non-Agenda Items) There were none.

Approve Regular Meeting Minutes: March 2, 2021. Mr. Cramer made a motion to **approve Regular Meeting Minutes: March 2, 2021.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

Approve Regular Meeting Minutes: March 16, 2021. Mr. Cramer made a motion to **approve Regular Meeting Minutes: March 16, 2021.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

Approve Payment Of Bills: General Fund: \$32,280.95. Mr. Cramer made a motion to **approve Payment Of Bills: General Fund: \$32,280.95.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

Approve Payment Of Bills: Golf Course Fund: \$3,806.68. Mr. Cramer made a motion to **approve Payment Of Bills: Golf Course Fund: \$3,806.68.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

Old Business:

1. Discuss Revised Parking Reduction Plan And Request By Freeland & Kauffman, Inc. On Behalf Of Lowe's For Outdoor Sales/Storage/Product Display. Mr. Eppley suggested using Township Engineer, Mrs. Alker's review letter as a guide for the discussion. Also attending the meeting representing Lowe's was Todd Simmons. Most of the discussion was the concern of the display area against the building and the fire lane usage and should the fire lane be restriped or changed in any way to accommodate a designated walk path. Mr. Simmons was to take the Board's comments and Mrs. Alker's review letter and plan revision to Lowe's representatives for further review and property owner's approval. There was no action taken by the Board.

2. Discuss Revisions To Geothermal Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Refer To County And Township Planning Commissions For Review And Recommendation; Schedule Hearing. Mr. Eppley explained Mrs. Alker made some changes in language on specs and inspections. Mr. Cramer suggested getting the Ordinance in final form first. Mr. Cramer made a motion **to have our Solicitor make changes and revisions to the Geothermal Zoning Ordinance and get in final form for us to refer to County and Township planning Commissions at our next meeting on 4/27/2021.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

3. Discuss And Act On Draft Temporary Construction Easement Agreement With The H & K Group, Inc. Regarding Use Of Township Property On Glenbrook Road. Mr. Eppley explained he spoke to the engineer from the H & K Group, Joe Murray and discussed the work that would take place. There would not be a need for bonding and they would commit to use 2A modified stone in the parking area (Exhibit A) and PennDOT would not be part of this Easement Agreement. Mr. Cramer made a motion **to allow our Solicitor make changes to the Easement Agreement with The H & K Group, Inc. which includes striking the bonding agreement in paragraph 3.2 and add in paragraph 3.5c there**

would be 2A modified stone installed prior to closing out the project. Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

4. Adopt Resolution No. 2021-32 Regarding Amended Fee Schedule For The Year 2021. Mr. Cramer made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2021-32 Regarding Amended Fee Schedule For The Year 2021. Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

5. Award Quarry Stone And Road Construction Materials Bids. Mr. Eppley read the low bids aloud. Mr. Cramer made a motion to accept low bids (see attached result sheet). Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

New Business:

1. Planning Commissions' Recommendations - Petition Of Suburban Realty, L.P. For Zoning Map Amendment To Expand C-2 Zoning District On Applegate Road; Schedule Hearing. Mr. Cramer asked for a more specific map showing the exact properties requesting the changes prior to setting a hearing date. Mr. Cramer made a motion stating we need more information from the applicant showing specifically what areas they are focusing on and a more definitive zoning map change. Is the applicant going to continue with their plan or resubmit based on the Planning Commission's recommendation. Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

2. Approve Partial Payment #3 In The Amount Of \$22,050.28 To Gannett Fleming For Professional Services Towards Hamilton-Stroud-Pocono-Stroudsburg Regional Comprehensive Plan Update - Budget Line Item #414.317; Authorize Reimbursement Request Under DCED Grant. Mr. Cramer made a motion to approve Partial Payment #3 In The Amount Of \$22,050.28 To Gannett Fleming For Professional Services Towards Hamilton-Stroud-Pocono-Stroudsburg Regional Comprehensive Plan Update - Budget Line Item #414.317; Authorize Reimbursement Request Under DCED Grant. Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

3. Ratify Payment In The Sum Of \$5,876.67 To Vermeer For Four Replacement Metal Screens And Related Parts For Gaunt Road Screener - Budget Line Item #426.251. Mr. Cramer made a motion to Ratify Payment In The Sum Of \$5,876.67 To Vermeer For Four Replacement Metal Screens And Related Parts For Gaunt Road Screener - Budget Line Item #426.251. Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

4. Approve Signing And Entering Into Agreement With JDM Consultants, LLC For State Multi-Modal Grant Writing Services In The Amount Of \$15,000.00 – Budget Line Item #414.317. Mr. Cramer made a motion to approve Signing And Entering Into Agreement With JDM Consultants, LLC For State Multi-Modal Grant Writing Services In The Amount Of \$15,000.00 – Budget Line Item #414.317. Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

5. Authorize Township Manager To Mail Letter To West Main Street Property Owners Whose Properties Are In, And Adjoin, R-2 District Where Certain Properties Could Be Rezoned To C-2. Mr. Cramer made a motion to authorize Township Manager To Mail Letter To West Main Street Property Owners Whose Properties Are In, And Adjoin, R-2 District Where Certain Properties Could Be Rezoned To C-2. Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

6. Approve Purchase Of Installed Snow Plow For 2020 Ford F550 From West End Equipment In The Amount Of \$6,759.00 - Budget Line Item #430.741. Mr. Cramer made a motion to approve Purchase Of Installed Snow Plow For 2020 Ford F550 From West End Equipment In The Amount Of \$6,759.00 - Budget Line Item #430.741. Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

7. Discuss Installing Temporary Or Permanent Speed Humps On Powerhouse Lane. Mr. Cramer made a motion to allow our Township Manager to discuss this issue with the Township Traffic

Engineer and our Public Works Superintendent for some feedback. Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

8. Support BCRA Allowing Sanofi To Discharge Wastewater Within A pH Range Between 6.0 and 9.0, Consistent With Sewer Treatment Agreements As Recommended By Stroud Township Sewer Authority Engineer. Mr. Cramer made a motion to support the intent of the BCRA in accordance with their 4/1/2021 letter to the Waste Water Municipalities allowing Sanofi to discharge waste water within a range from 6.0 and 9.0, which is consistence with the Sewer Treatment Agreements. Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

Executive Session: Ms. Shukaitis made a motion to go into executive session at 8:36 P.M. to discuss litigation, real property, personnel and security matters. Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. Ms. Shukaitis and Mr. Cramer voted aye, motion carried 2-0. Mr. Cramer made a motion to return to regular session at 8:49 P.M. Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0. Ms. Shukaitis said that the Board discussed personnel and litigation matters in executive session and she asked if there were any motions. Ms. Shukaitis made a motion to regulate the Gaunt Road screened dirt distribution to residents and/or employees to a 1 yard limit at \$25/yard per year. Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. Ms. Shukaitis and Mr. Cramer voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

There being no further business, Mr. Cramer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 P.M. Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Janice Willey
Administrative and Recording Secretary