

**SKIPPACK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**February 13, 2019**

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**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Franco D'Angelo-Chairman	Present
Paul Fox-Vice Chair	Present
William Parkins, Jr.	Absent
Jeanene Michener	Present
Nicholas Fountain	Present

**TOWNSHIP STAFF**

Christopher Heleniak, Manager	Present
Barry Miller, Esq.	Present
Joseph Zadlo, AICP	Absent
Tim Woodrow, PE	Present
Joseph Clement, Esq.	Present

**7:30PM**

**I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. D'Angelo announced that the Board met prior to the meeting in Executive Session to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

**II. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Clint Buckwalter - Creamery Road — Would like to meet with Mr. Woodrow to discuss issues on his property with stormwater runoff. Mr. Woodrow stated he would reach out to Mr. Buckwalter to schedule a meeting.

**III. APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 7, 2019 MINUTES:**

MOTION MADE BY MS. MICHENER TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 7, 2019 MINUTES.

MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOUNTAIN. VOTE 4-0, MOTION CARRIED.

**IV. CORRESPONDENCE**

**A. Letter from Blue Comet Motorcycle Club Giving Notice of 2019 Event Schedule**

**V. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS:**

**A. Treasurer's Report as of January 31, 2019:**

MOTION MADE BY MR. D'ANGELO TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOX. VOTE 4-0, MOTION CARRIED.

**B. Interim Bills Paid on January 25, 2019:**

General Fund = \$ 97,236.22

Sewer Fund = \$ 1,139.06

Open Space Fund = \$ 7,824.04

MOTION MADE BY MS. MICHENER TO APPROVE THE INTERIM BILLS PAID ON JANUARY 25, 2019. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOX. VOTE 4-0, MOTION CARRIED.

**C. Bills for Payment on February 13, 2019:**

General Fund = \$ 38,412.75

Sewer Fund = \$ 98,115.19

Open Space Fund = \$ 10,288.16

MOTION MADE BY MS. MICHENER TO APPROVE THE BILLS PAID ON FEBRUARY 13, 2019. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOX. VOTE 4-0, MOTION CARRIED.

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**VI. REPORTS:**

**A. Engineer**

- 1. Authorization to Award Pedestrian Walking Trail Bid:** Mr. Woodrow stated we received 7 bids. He stated that the Township has to work out a few details for the portion along the Airport property, so he recommended the Board award only the Mt. Airy Road and Conway Open Space portions to JNS Paving and Excavating.

MOTION MADE BY MR. D'ANGELO TO APPROVE AWARDING THE CONTRACT FOR THE MT. AIRY AND CONWAY OPEN SPACE PEDESTRIAN WALKING TRAIL TO JNS PAVING AND EXCAVATING. MOTION SECONDED BY MS. MICHENER. VOTE 4-0, MOTION CARRIED.

- 2. Authorization to Seek Bids for the 2019 Road Improvement Project-** Heckler Road (from Collegeville Road to Route 113; Cedars Road (from Stump Hall Road to Route 73); Perkiomen Creek Road (from Prison Road to Creekwood Village)

MOTION MADE BY MR. FOX TO SEEK BIDS FOR THE 2019 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. MOTION SECONDED BY MS. MICHENER. VOTE 4-0, MOTION CARRIED.

- 3. 2061 Bridge Road – Escrow Release #1 in the amount of \$32,730.00**

MOTION MADE BY MR. FOX TO APPROVE. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOUNTAIN. VOTE 4-0, MOTION CARRIED.

- 4. Authorization to Apply for Schuylkill River Restoration Fund Grant for Project at Cholet Property In Conjunction With the Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy**

MOTION MADE BY MS. MICHENER TO AUTHORIZE MR. WOODROW AND MR. HELENIK TO APPLY FOR A SCHUYLKILL RIVER RESTORATION FUND GRANT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PERKIOMEN WATERSHED CONSERVANCY. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOX. VOTE 4-0, MOTION CARRIED.

**B. Solicitor**

- 1. Consider Resolution 2019-15: Authorization to Loan \$300,000 to Skippack Fire Company:** Mr. Miller stated that the Fire Company has requested at \$300,000 loan to help in the purchase of a new 107ft ladder truck. The loan is at 2% interest to be repaid over 5 years.

MOTION MADE BY MR. FOX TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2019-15 AUTHORIZING A \$300,000 LOAN TO SKIPPACK FIRE COMPANY. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOUNTAIN. VOTE 4-0, MOTION CARRIED.

**C. Planner**

**D. Manager**

- 1. Certification of Qualifying Volunteers of the Skippack Fire Company**

MOTION MADE BY MR. D'ANGELO TO CERTIFY QUALIFYING VOLUNTEERS OF THE SKIPPACK FIRE COMPANY FOR THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOX. VOTE 4-0, MOTION CARRIED.

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**2. Special Event Permit – MDI Management – Skippack Village Carnival – May 14-19, 2019**

MOTION MADE BY MS. MICHENER TO APPROVE SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR MDI MANAGEMENT FOR SKIPPACK VILLAGE CARNIVAL MAY 14-19, 2019. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOUNTAIN. VOTE 4-0, MOTION CARRIED.

**3. Special Event Permit – Skippack Lions Club – Diabetes Awareness 5k & 1 Mile Fun Run – June 22, 2019**

MOTION MADE BY MS. MICHENER TO APPROVE SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR SKIPPACK LIONS CLUB DIABETES AWARENESS 5K & 1 MILE JUNE 22, 2019. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOX. VOTE 4-0, MOTION CARRIED.

**4. Parade and Procession Permit – MDI Management – 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade**

MOTION MADE BY MR. D'ANGELO TO APPROVE THE PARADE AND PROCESSION PERMIT FOR MDI MANAGEMENT FOR 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY PARADE. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOUNTAIN. VOTE 4-0, MOTION CARRIED.

**VII. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Marino Holdings, LLC – 4097 Mill Road – Preliminary/Final Subdivision/Land Development**

David Wagoner - Rosewood Circle — Thanked the Township Staff for taking the time to meet with the residents on the street and the work they did to look at the development and access. Mr. Wagoner stated that he knew the right of way was there when he bought his house, however didn't know if or when that would happen. Mr. Wagoner expressed his concern with how the road construction will affect his property. Mr. Wagoner stated that they learned that the airport property is going to be for sale and requested the Township wait on this plan until that happens. He also stated it is his belief that the 21 year limit has run. Mr. D'Angelo stated the Board relies on the staff for their guidance and recommendations in these areas. Mr. Wagoner questioned who approves things such as street lights. Mr. Woodrow explained that his review letter addressed that issue. Mr. Clement stated that the approval resolution and conditional use order address these types of issues and the final plans will be approved by the township prior to recording. Mr. Clement also explained the requirements under the Municipalities Planning Code and the deadlines for approvals and the need to follow the Code. Mr. Fox explained that the airport property has been for sale on and off for years and developers have approached the township previously, so the Township does not know if or when anything will happen with the airport property and the Township cannot delay this development to wait for something to happen with that property.

Daryl Adams - Rosewood Circle — Questioned the interpretation of the statute for dedication of right of ways. Mr. Clement explained the statute and the difference between public and private rights of access. Mr. Adams questioned Mr. Dougherty about the recommendation in his letter regarding the emergency access and review by the emergency services. Mr. Heleniak and Mr. Clement explained the process for the emergency services to review the emergency access to the development. Mr. Adams requested that a provision be

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made that heavy construction equipment not be able to go through onto Rosewood Circle during construction. Mr. Clement stated he will write into the land development agreement.

Justin Glennon - Rosewood Circle — Questioned the statute governing the dedication of highways and streets. Mr. Clement explained the statute and his interpretation of the statute. Mr. Glennon stated he feels the ability to access Mill Road needs to be definitively ruled out and not just the recommendation of feasibility by TPD. Mr. Dougherty explained that TPD did have a conversation with PennDOT and their concerns with the limitations on sight distance on Mill Road and the conditions creating the limitations being outside of the control of the applicant. He also stated they expressed concerns with the effect of a Mill Road access on other area roads, including the intersection of Mill Road and Route 113. Mr. Clement stated the environmentally sensitive areas along Mill Road are not being considered and the fact that the Army Corps of Engineers and DEP will look for alternative options rather than allow disturbing these areas.

Dale Bentley - Rosewood Circle — Questioned how many developments have been approved in the township that extended existing cul-de-sacs. Mr. D'Angelo stated that that is not relevant in this case and that legally the township cannot deny the developer the right to develop the property. Mr. Bentley also questioned whether the traffic evaluation considered the presence of bus stops at the Landis Road and Rosewood Circle and the fact that Skippack Elementary is right around the corner. Mr. Dougherty stated the evaluation considered the safety and sight distances at the intersection.

Lisa Adams - Rosewood Circle — Questioned the zoning for the airport property and the process for that going forward. Also questioned the notification process. Mr. Heleniak explained that any proposed development will have a sign indicating it is subject to development and that it will be in front of the township planning commission first and they meet the 3rd Monday of each month. Mr. Clement explained that the airport property is zoned RA, however it is subject to the Cluster Development Option, subject to conditional use approval.

**MOTION MADE BY MR. FOX TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2019-16, GRANTING PRELIMINARY/FINAL SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL FOR MARINO HOLDINGS, LLC – 4097 MILL ROAD. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOUNTAIN. VOTE 4-0, MOTION CARRIED.**

### **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

### **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:48PM.