

The **meeting of the Earl Township Board of Supervisors**, held on **Tuesday September 7, 2021**, was called to order by Chairman Rick Kochel, at 7 p.m. The following Supervisors were present: Rick Kochel, Ray Martin and Tom Plitt. Also, present was Lee Zimmerman, Road Master.

Tom made a **motion to approve the August 2, 2021 meeting minutes**, Rick seconded and the motion carried.

Rick made a **motion to approve the August 19, 2021 meeting minutes**, Ray seconded and the motion carried.

Public Comment:

Paul Marshall, 501 Lavender Lane, requested approval to close Lavender Lane and Sunflower Street to Daisy Drive. Rick made a **motion to grant the road closure of Lavender Lane and Sunflower Street to Daisy Drive for the community block party on October 3, 2021 between 12:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.** Ray seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Charles Naylis, 17 Runway Avenue, requested that a stop sign be erected on Airport Road at Runway Avenue, due to the clear-site being impaired by shrubbery and speeding vehicles, which are causing a safety hazard for those pulling out of Runway Avenue. After further discussion, Lee was directed to complete a new clear-site study and if deemed necessary to send a letter notifying the property owner of any violations. The New Holland Police will also be asked to conduct a speed detail on Airport Road.

Police Report:

The New Holland Police August 2021 report was reviewed.

Martindale Fire Co. Report:

The August 2021 fire activity report was reviewed.

Garden Spot Fire Rescue:

The August 2, 2021 fire activity report was reviewed.

ELANCO Library:

The July 2021 activity report was reviewed.

Subdivision and Land Development Plans:

Aaron M Horning, 412 East Farmersville Road, New Holland, presented the Major Stormwater Management Plan and requested the following:

- a. Waiver request of SWMO Section 17-307.3.E.3.a.3 – Minimum Vegetated Swale Slope requirement. Tom made a **motion to grant conditional approval of waiving the Minimum Vegetated Swale Slope requirement, contingent upon the review comments of the Township’s Engineer.** Ray seconded the motion and all voted yes.
- b. Rick made a **motion to execute the Stormwater Management Ownership and Maintenance Agreement**, Ray seconded and all voted yes.
- c. Conditional Major Stormwater Management Plan approval. Tom made a **motion to grant conditional approval of the Major Stormwater Management Plan, contingent upon the review comments of the Township’s Engineer and Road Master.** Ray seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Mark Will presented the Revised Plan for the SOCO Single Family Home development located on the southside of Airport Road, New Holland, and requested approval of the modification to the Emergency Access Easement. After much discussion, Rick made a **motion to table action on the request to modify the Emergency and Pedestrian Access Easement, to allow a site visit and further review by the Board of Supervisors**, Tom seconded and all voted yes.

Ray made a **motion to approve deferring the land development planning process to West Earl Township, for the Mahlon Z and Arlene B Martin, 307 Goods Road, Ephrata, Subdivision, due to fact that the proposed lot and proposed improvements are all within the West Earl Township boundaries. There are no improvements proposed within the Earl Township portion of the site.** Tom seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Rick made a **motion to approve the ninety (90) day, time extension for the Daryl L Martin, 942 West Main Street, New Holland, Preliminary/Final Land Development, to meet the condition to record the Plan.** Ray seconded the motion and all voted yes. The Plan will now expire on December 6, 2021.

Tom made a **motion to approve and execute the Amos and Fannie Smucker, 211 Tabor Road, Ephrata, Echo Housing Agreement, to allow a family Elder to temporarily reside on the property.** Ray seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Ray made a **motion to approve executing the Kurtz Family Homestead, 358 Kurtz Road, Ephrata, Land Development Plan, Developer's Agreement,** Tom seconded and all voted yes.

Ray made a **motion to approve the partial release of the Jonathan Martin, 450 Kurtz Road, Ephrata, Improvement Guarantee funds in the amount of Fifty Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Eight Dollars and Forty One Cents (\$50,788.41),** per ELA Group's recommendation. Tom seconded the motion and all voted yes. (Balance remaining shall be (\$2,500.00).

Road Master's Report:

Lee reported that Comcast Cable has provided in writing that the charges for damages to their equipment at Commerce Drive will not be pursued against the Township.

Ray made a **motion to approve purchasing a 2022 F550 Chassis at the estimated cost of Forty One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty One Dollars (\$41,751.00), as a 2022 expense,** Tom seconded and all voted yes.

Lee reported that he currently has the 2018 and 2020 Peterbilt trucks out of commission indefinitely, due to a failure in the Diesel Exhaust Fluid (DEF) system and it is unknown when the parts will become available. The equipment being down may become a critical issue if not fixed prior to winter storms.

An Executive Session was called at 8:35 p.m., regarding personnel matters.

The Regular session reconvened at 8:45 p.m.

Ray made a **motion to approve advertising for a position with the road department,** Tom seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Zoning Officer's Report:

The Supervisors reviewed the Zoning Officer's August 2021 report.

Sewage Enforcement Officer's Report:

The Supervisors reviewed the Sewage Enforcement Officer's August 2021 report.

Ray made a **motion to approve the 2022 Earl Township's Pension Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) in the amount of Fifty Two Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Six Dollars (\$52,536.00)**, Rick seconded and all voted yes.

Ray made a **motion to approve and execute the Employee Leasing Agreement for Alex Bauder, Spencer Beck and Joy Oberholtzer with the Earl Township Sewer Authority and the Western Heights Water Authority.** Tom seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Rick made a **motion to appoint Tom Plitt as the voting delegate for the 2021 PSATS Business meeting being held on October 15, 2021**, Ray seconded and all voted yes.

Rick reported that he has reviewed and discussed the Emergency Management Coordinator (EMC) position with Jamie Weir and he will contact Brian Bowers as a regional EMC for the ELANCO area.

The L.C.C.D. & ELA Group Inc., earthmoving inspection reports were reviewed.

Receipts received in August were \$294,008.65 in the General Fund and \$3,111.23 in the Waste and Recycling Fund.

Tom made a **motion** to pay the expenses in the General and the Payroll Funds (Checks #4441 – 4486 and #9325 - 9343) in the amount of \$220,880.82, and the payroll taxes electronically transferred in the amount of \$10,500.66. The Street Light (Check #467) in the amount of \$1,011.84, and the Waste and Recycling (Check #360 - 361) in the amount of \$27,088.24. Ray seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda S Becker, Secretary