

LOWER SALFORD TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES
WORK SESSION

June 19, 2024

Chairman Bergman called the Lower Salford Township Board of Supervisor's meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. Present were Supervisors Kevin Shelly, Dave Scheuren and Kent Krauss. Also present were Joseph Czajkowski, Township Manager; Mike Beuke, Director of Building and Zoning; Doug Jones, Public Works Director; and Chief Tom Medwid, Lower Salford Township Police Department.

Chairman Bergman led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment – Danniell Ingalls, Roberts Road, asked when will the guiderail at the corner of Fretz and Cassel Roads be fixed. Public Works Director Jones explained that the guiderail is PennDOT's responsibility and that they have been notified. He hopes that it will be fixed soon She also inquired about the removal of the bridge on Roberts Road. It was explained that the bridge removal will be discussed during the Public Works Director's report, and she could ask questions at that time.

Supervisor Krauss moved to approve the minutes from the May 15 and June 4, 2024, Work Sessions. Supervisor Scheuren seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Jones introduced the new Public Works employees, Brad Knechel and Justin Taylor. The Board welcomed both gentlemen to the Township. Doug reported that he was working through the final closeout paperwork for the streetlight upgrade program. He also said that the final issues with the garage lease had been completed and that they will be moving items in for storage. Mr. Jones said that the costs for the Bergey Mill bridge/park trail project came in and are higher than anticipated. He said that the overall cost will be about \$10,000 more than the original estimate. He said that they will review items to see if there are any additional savings.

Doug said that the County has forwarded their plans for the removal of the Roberts Road bridge and turnaround. Mrs. Ingalls said that they are concerned with the layout provided by the County. Mr. Jones said that he will meet with the Ingalls to see if their request can be accommodated.

Doug updated the Board on the 2024 Road Program, noting that the Cape Seal will begin the 3rd week of July and that the Nova Chip/base repairs will begin the end of July/first of August.

Mr. Jones informed the Board that the ARLE grant for the upgrade to the school flashers did not qualify for funding. He said that PennDOT indicated that the application did not provide enough of a benefit.

Doug said that we were waiting on PECO for the completion of the electric install at Alderfer Park. Once completed, we will be able to get the park camera's installed and operational.

Doug said that the crews will be replacing a storm pipe near the intersection of Yoder Road and Kulp Road.

Chief Medwid reported that the Solicitation ordinance was ready to go from the department's perspective. He also said that the department had submitted a grant application to Senator Pennycuik's office, for 10 additional body cameras for the patrol officers.

Mr. Beuke reported that the Building and Zoning Department had received 28 building permits thus far in the month of June. He said that the Planning Commission will be discussing 392 Oak Drive application for a two-lot subdivision. He noted that 488 Harleysville Pike will be back before the PC with an updated sketch plan. Mike said that there will be an application before the Zoning Hearing Board for 193 Kinsey Road for a side yard setback variance for a two-car garage. Mr. Beuke said that the Planning Commission is continuing discussion on the VC ordinance amendments.

Township Manager Czajkowski reviewed the firefighter tax credit ordinance with the Board. Mr. Czajkowski said that it should be ready for authorization to advertise at the Board's August meeting.

Mr. Czajkowski said that Skippack Township had requested Fire Police Assistance for the annual 4th of July parade. Chairman Bergman made a motion to approve

assistance for the parade. Supervisor Scheuren seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Manager updated the Board on the Special Projects Coordinator search, noting that they were performing a second round of interviews with a number of candidates. He said that an offer could be made in the near future.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:21 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph Czajkowski
Township Manager