

CLAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING MINUTES
September 22, 2020

The Supervisors of Clay Township met on an advertised meeting date of September 22, 2020, at 7:00 a.m. at the Clay Township Municipal Office, 870 Durlach Road, Stevens, Pennsylvania, at a time and place duly established to hold such a meeting and advertised and posted in accordance with the Second-Class Township Code and the Sunshine Law.

Supervisors present were Timothy Lausch, Chairman Keith Martin, Vice-President and Gary Landis, Secretary.

Bruce Leisey, Township Manager and Earl Stauffer, Road Master were present.

Timothy Lausch called the meeting to order at 7:03 a.m.

Meeting Minutes

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Gary Landis to approve the August 25, 2020 meeting minutes. * The motion was approved unanimously.

Executive Session

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Gary Landis to enter into Executive Session at 7:04 AM to discuss Employee Matters and Potential Litigation. * The motion was unanimously approved.

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Gary Landis to exit Executive Session at 7:34 AM. * The motion was unanimously approved.

There was discussion on an employee matter, no decisions were made at this time.

Engineer's Report

1. Marlin and Wanda Martin – Stormwater Management Plan

Steve Martin, Groundwork Construction, reviewed the plan with the Board of Supervisors. The plan proposes to install a 3200 sq ft wet pond on a 10.97-acre tract. The pond will be for recreational use.

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Gary Landis to approve the following modifications as outline in the Hanover Engineering letter dated 9/14/20. * The motion was unanimously approved.

Section 11-307.B.1.b(2) – Maximum side slope of 5:1

The applicant is requesting a modification of the requirement to provide a maximum interior basin side slope of 5:1. The applicant is proposing a side slope of 3:1. The applicant feels the 3:1 side slope will provide a pond much better suited for the combined use as stormwater control and recreation use.

It was noted that the Stormwater Management Agreement will include language stating that the homeowner assumes all liability for posting warning signs and integrity of the steep slope.

Section 11-307.A.2 – Fencing around basins with side slopes steeper than 5:1

The applicant is requesting a modification of the requirement to provide fencing around basins with interior side slopes steeper than 5:1. The applicant is proposing no fencing around the pond. The justification provided is that due to the rural location on private property the applicant feels that makes a fence prohibitive and an unnecessary expense as well as hindering ongoing maintenance to the stormwater facility.

It was noted that the Stormwater Management Agreement will include language stating that the homeowner assumes all liability for posting warning signs regarding the steep slope.

Section 11-302 - Deferral

The designer referenced the PA BMP manual Wet Pond design requirements, after review of the reference section in Chapter 6 notes that the volume that can be counted towards a reduction must be stored between the predicted water level and the lowest outlet elevation and then can be removed from the design storm as that can be credited towards evapotranspiration and possible infiltration. The current design shows the water level at 694.25 which is also the invert for the lowest outlet orifice resulting in no volume reduction.

It was agreed there should be 10% reduction on 2-year storm and 33% on 100-year storm and defer 50% volume reduction requirement until such time that additional impervious is constructed on the site.

Gary Landis made a motion, seconded by Keith Martin to approve the Cost Opinion in the amount of \$38,801.50 with revision to add \$1,000 for As-Built Plans and 5% of total for construction observation and revision to the Stormwater Management Agreement as noted on the modification of Section 11-307.B.1.b(2) and 11-307.A.2. * The motion was unanimously approved.

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Gary Landis to grant conditional approval of the plan contingent on compliance with the Hanover Engineering letter dated 9/14/20. * The motion was unanimously approved.

Old Business

1. Annex Building Project Update

Keith Martin and Bruce Leisey informed the Board of Supervisors that they met with the NLCRPD Commission Building committee to discuss the proposed renovations to the Police Annex (former Township Offices).

After discussion, Gary Landis made a motion, seconded by Keith Martin to authorize Bruce Leisey to execute a proposal with Schillaci Architects to design plans for the proposed renovations with the cost not to exceed \$15,000. * The motion was unanimously approved.

2. Request for Additional Acres to be added to ASA in the Township

There was discussion on Carl & Lena Martin's request to have a 21.7-acre tract located off Pleasant View Road included in the Township's ASA area.

The Clay Township Planning Commission will review at the next meeting and forward their recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.

New Business

1. Road Master Update

There was discussion on seeding, grading and stormwater controls to be completed along Durlach Hill Road.

2. Manager Update

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3. Approve Non-Uniform Pension MOU for 2021

After review, Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Gary Landis to approve the 2021 Non-Uniform Pension MOU in the amount of \$23,011.00. * The motion was unanimously approved.

Bills to be Paid

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Gary Landis to approve General Fund bills totaling \$1,988.50. * The motion was unanimously approved.

Adjournment

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Gary Landis, to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 a.m. ** The motion was approved unanimously.

Clay Township Board of Supervisors

Timothy Lausch, Chairman

Keith Martin, Vice Chairman

Gary Landis, Secretary