

September 15, 2021

The Board of Supervisors of Pennsbury Township held a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at 7 p.m. in the township building. Present were Supervisors McIntyre, Fenton, Boyle, Solicitor Tom Oeste, Manager Kathleen Howley and Code Enforcement Officer Russell Drumheller. The minutes of August 18, 2021 were approved as submitted.

Manager Kathleen Howley reported the following:

1. State Trooper Lt. Steele is the new commander of the Avondale Barracks and was present to update the Board on activity in the township and introduce himself. He stated the Township has very little crime and a trooper is assigned to each township they cover 24/7. There are continued vehicle accidents reported along state highways that run through the township and speeding is always a problem. Ms. Howley confirmed that the township does have a speed board that collects data. Trooper Steele stated this information is always helpful with incidents. It is important to make sure all roads are posted properly for speed limits. Unposted roads are assumed to be 55 MPH. They are operating at a full complement at the barracks and every 6 months get new recruits. Ms. Howley welcomed any information they might want to include in our newsletter. The Board thanked him for his presentation and welcomed him to the area.
2. Simon Hjaltason presented his Eagle Scout Project to the Board. He proposes to build two areas with benches on pavers in the East parcel of land along Rt. 1 that the township cleared and seeded a few years ago. Dave Allen has been mowing a path and the benches will be designed and installed by Simon. Of the three designs Simon submitted, the Board agreed on #1 and #2, gray color and designed similar to the bench in the park. Simon stated design #3 could possibly be done by another Eagle Scout candidate in his troop if the township wanted it, in the future. Simon hopes to start and finish the project this year. Ms. Howley was authorized to sign any papers needed for this project. The Board thanked Simon for his good work and we look forward to seeing the finished product. Lynn Luft suggested that the bench have a plaque on it with his name and that it was an Eagle Scout project.
3. The Budget Workshop date will be Tuesday, October 13 at 8:30 a.m. in the township building. This will be advertised.
4. The Township Minimum Municipal Obligation for the pension plan for 2022 will be \$8605. This number will be included in the 2022 budget.
5. The township is in receipt of a conditional use request from Hill Girt Farm for special events. This hearing will be scheduled for October 20, 2021 at 6 p.m. in the township building.

Road Master Dave Allen submitted a written report which was read by Ms. Howley. The Hickory Hill Road project needs one more cross pipe and inlet box as well as waiting on PECO to move a gas line to finish up. There was no major road damage in the township by Tropical Storm Ida but anyone living along the Brandywine Creek had major floods. The federal government has declared Chester County a major disaster area and federal as well as state money will be made available to those in need. Road bank mowing is being done and intersections cleaned.

A request for an extension to October 31, 2021 for the **Centreville School Subdivision** was received by the township. A motion was made to accept the extension request and seconded. A vote was taken and all members were in favor. Motion carried.

Parker Preserve One Lot Subdivision – this subdivision was received December, 2018 to add one lot to the subdivision, access for the lot being over open space area onto Penn Drive. The township started the review of the subdivision and Mr. Houtman wrote one review letter. No further action has been taken. The Township requested the applicant obtain HOA approvals before continuing the review. Eight extensions have been given over the past 2 years with no information from the applicant. A motion to deny the application of Anthony B. Dambro, Jr to revise the final Subdivision Plan of Parker Preserve to add an additional lot known as 2000 West Street Road, UPI #64-1-15, as depicted on a revised subdivision plan prepared by Regester Assoc., dated December 14, 2018, for the following reasons:

1. Failure to comply with the comments and recommendations of set forth in correspondence of G.D. Houtman and Son, Township Engineer, dated January 17, 2019.
2. Failure to demonstrate that the property can legally be accessed from Penn Drive.
3. Failure to demonstrate that a valid easement has been granted to the property to cross the Parker Preserve open space to access Penn Drive.
4. Failure to demonstrate that the Parker Preserve Homeowners Assn. has consented to the adding an additional lot to the Parker Preserve development.

The motion was seconded. With no further discussion a vote was taken and all were in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Oeste stated that the Shape solar panel CU hearing scheduled for tonight at 6 p.m. was opened and will be continued on October 20, 2021. Applicant will be redesigning for a ground mount system. He will submit new plans to the township for the PC review on 9/28/21.

Dennis Smith reported the Planning Commission met on August 24th and reviewed the following:

1. A final review of the Centreville School subdivision plan. Members recommended approval of the plans subject to conditions and satisfying all outstanding items in Mr. Houtmann' review letter dated August 17, 2021.
2. They review the Shape CU request for roof mount solar panels. The design showed panels on the front and back of the house. Members suggested to the applicant's representative they reconsider a ground mount because front roof was not allowed. The representative said he would go back to the owner and make suggestions and appear at the 9/28 Planning Commission meeting.
3. The Petrik ZHB application was reviewed and member voted unanimously to recommend remaining neutral.

The upcoming Planning Commission meeting will cover the CU application for Hill Girt Farm, Gables Restaurant Zoning Hearing Board application and the Shape new ground mount design for solar panels.

A bill list dated September 15, 2021 numbering 20008-20045, State Fund #487 was submitted and approved for payment by the Board. With no further comments the meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Kathleen Howley, Township Manager