

February 16, 2022

The Board of Supervisors of Pennsbury Township held a regular meeting on Wednesday, February 16, 2022 starting at 8:00 p.m. Present were Supervisors McIntyre, Fenton, Boyle, Solicitor Tom Oeste and Manager Kathleen Howley. The minutes of the organizational meeting as well as the regular meeting held on Monday, January 3, 2022 were approved as submitted.

Manager Kathleen Howley reported the following:

1. Tom Oeste submitted to Board members a draft of the CU decision subject to conditions for **McCloskey installation of rooftop solar panels**. The Board reviewed the decision and a motion was made to approve it. A vote was taken and all were in favor. The motion passed. Mr. Oeste will send the decision to Mr. McCloskey.
2. **Judi Wilson and Lynn Luft from the Historic Commission** were present to discuss the deteriorating conditions of several historic structures in the township; Sharpless House, Maui Meadow house and Reyburn's Tavern. They are concerned that no action has been taken to secure the structures and asked what recourse the township has to stop the structure from falling down. It has been a couple of years since the township last sent letters to the owners. The Board agreed that Mr. Oeste will send out letters to the owners of these property giving them 30 days to show movement towards boarding up and securing the structures preventing further deterioration. A copy of the draft letter will be sent to Judi Wilson for review.
3. The Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the motion to appoint **Kay Ellsworth** to the Township **Planning Commission**.
4. The Board of Supervisor unanimously approved the motion to appoint Amanda Sandquist as the Alternate Zoning Hearing Board Attorney.
5. **Neilson Conservation Easement** – The Board of Supervisors moved to expend **\$248,333.75** of open space money for the purchase of an easement being placed on the Neilson property, 39.43 acres on Brintons Bridge Road. The Township is partnering with Chester County. The township's portion of the expense represents 45% and the County portions is 55% of the total cost. With no further discussion the Board unanimously moved to expend the money. Motion passed. Settlement with Mr. Neilson and the County/Township will be by mid-March.

Road Master Dave Allen submitted a written report. Ms. Howley stated that there have been 7 storms so far this year that required salting/plowing. Between storms the road crew have been servicing equipment, clean storm inlets, trimming trees back and clearing the park fence line of vines.

Heinle Zoning Hearing Board application for a swimming pool – Mr. Heinle and his attorney, Mr. Tupitza were present to explain to the Board why his client applied for variances dealing with steep slope and backyard setback lines. The proposed pool will disturb some moderate slopes as well as being placed 10 ft from the backyard property line. The topography of the backyard is restrictive and this is the only place they can install a pool. The Planning Commission voted to recommend support of the application to the ZHB. The plans do show a secondary septic area and his abutting neighbors did submit letters of support for the application. With no further discussion the Board unanimously voted to stay neutral subject to approval by the Anderson's who own the open space along the backyard

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property line and Mr. Heinle installing landscaping. Motion passed and Ms. Howley will notify Mr. Foley, attorney for the Zoning Hearing Board of their decision. The hearing is scheduled for March 3rd at 7 p.m. in the township building.

Dennis Smith, Planning Commission Chairperson, was not in attendance but submitted a written report of their meeting in January to the Board for their review.

A bill list dated February 16, 2022 numbering 1074-1137, State Fund #490, 491, Open Space #123-126 was submitted and approved for payment by the Board. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathleen Howley
Township Manager