

June 21, 2023

The Board of Supervisors of Pennsbury Township held a regular meeting on Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at 7 p.m. in the township building. Present were Supervisors McIntyre, Fenton, Boyle, Solicitor Oeste and Manager Kathleen Howley. The minutes of May 17, 2023 were approved as submitted.

Manager Kathleen Howley reported the following:

1. Mr. Oeste reported the Parking Ordinance amendment draft addressing the “no parking” signs along Constitution Drive in Chadds Ford Knoll being taken down and snow emergency signs erected is ready for advertising. It will be on the July 19th supervisor’s agenda for adoption.
2. Michael Hochhaus, Emergency Management Coordinator, is stepping down from his position as of the end of this month. Ms. Howley will be talking to him about possible replacements as well as checking with Birmingham Township to see if they have any candidates in mind since Mr. Hochhaus is also their EMC.
3. The Board of Supervisors unanimously voted to send a letter to Chester County Water Resources supporting their application for a Growing Greener grant. The money will help to support the County’s ongoing revisions to Act 167.

Road Department Report – Dave Allen submitted a report updating the Board on the completion of summer road work by Asphalt Industries. The Public Works Department has a new employee, Ethan Houston. A property owner at 7 Apple Row has planted trees and shrubs in the right of way as well as the drainage easement. A letter has been sent to them requesting removal with no reply to date.

Township Engineer Matt Houtmann reported on the request for approval of Phase 2 of Windmill Hollow. He is reviewing the plans and stated a covenant will have to be recorded when approval is given for this phase of the development. Revised plans for the **Atkins Subdivision** were received. There has been a reduction of lots from 4 to 3. The Planning Commission will have a review letter for their July 25th meeting. The revised plan was sent to the Longwood Fire Company for their comments.

Supervisor McIntyre reported that he met with Dave Allen and Matt Houtmann regarding McFadden Road to discuss ongoing issues with drainage and structures in the right of way. A wall was recently rebuilt in the right of way after the township advised that the wall should not be rebuilt at that spot. Supervisor McIntyre will be meeting with Vince Moro and Wes Atkins sometime next week to go over the road issues with them.

Ms. Howley reported that a Zoning Hearing Board application for 851 Fairville Road requesting variances for steep slope and a pool in front of the house is scheduled for July 20th at 7 p.m. in the township building. Another hearing for 157 McFadden Road is scheduled for August 3, 2023 at 7 p.m. That application is requesting a variance for impervious coverage. The School District ZHB application for a special exception to erect an outdoor classroom was approved with conditions.

Chairman Dennis Smith reported members met May 30th and discussed the CU application for 1301 Brintons Bridge Rd – Bed and Breakfast. The presentation by the applicant’s attorney was helpful in
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understanding the plan but did not add anything for the decision-making process. The applicant has hired a new attorney who has granted the township an extension for the CU hearing to September 30, 2023. The applicant did meet with the Historic Commission on 6/7/23. The next Planning Commission meeting will be June 27th at which time they will review ZHB applications for 851 Fairville Road as well as 157 McFadden Road.

Ms. Phelps, a resident on McFadden Road was present and asked what the township plans are for the improvement of McFadden Road. Supervisor McIntyre stated there are no plans to widen the road but the township is dealing with stormwater issues as well as structures in the right of way which need to be addressed. Supervisor McIntyre has had discussion with Matt Houtmann and Dave Allen about the road and will be meeting with residents Wes Atkins and Vince Moro sometime next week.

Bill list dated June 21, 2023 numbering 1671-1705 was submitted and approved for payment by the Board. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathleen Howley
Township Manager