

Eden Township Board of Supervisors
Minutes of the February 10, 2020 Meeting
489 Stony Hill Road, Quarryville, PA 17566

Call-to-Order: Supervisor Joseph Rineer called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance: Supervisors Joseph Rineer, David Rineer and Lawrence Stoltzfus; Mark Rudy, Gerry Parker and Szilvia Troutman. Also the following members of the public: Bill Swiernik, Melvin B. Stoltzfus, David F. Stoltzfus, Omar F. Esh, Melvin Beiler, Daniel Stoltzfus, Amos Ebersol, David Fisher, Ben K. King, Jesse L. Lapp, John S. Stoltzfus, Rick McEvoy, Tom Spring, Christian S. Esh, Roy Fisher, Michael Lapp Jr., Simeon Lapp, Alvin Lapp, Lois Skiles and Dayton Kreider.

Public Participation:

Bill Swiernik (David Miller Assoc.) was in attendance to present the driveway plan prepared for Howard E. Groff, Jr. at 108 Groff Rd. On a motion by Joseph Rineer and seconded by David Rineer, the Supervisors approved signing the driveway plan. Motion passed unanimously.

Omar F. Esh (353 Camargo Rd): An executive session was held on January 24, 2020 to discuss settlement options and Mr. Esh's potential appeal against the District Justice's decision. Prior to tonight's meeting, a settlement agreement was provided by Mr. Esh's advocate, Duane Bennetch (not present). Joseph Rineer explained to Mr. Esh why the agreement was not satisfactory to the Township. Mr. Esh agreed to consider the Township's terms and to let the Township know whether he would accept them.

Daniel Stoltzfus (1166 May Post Office Rd) inquired about the permitting process for tearing down an existing greenhouse and building a new one. Gerry Parker explained that the Zoning Hearing Board's approval would be needed as the property is zoned Rural Residential, and the new structure will be bigger, in a different location and used for a different purpose than the variance originally granted for the old greenhouse.

Supervisors Meeting Minutes: The minutes of the January 13, 2020 Supervisors meeting were reviewed. Joseph Rineer motioned, David Rineer seconded to approve the minutes; motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report for January 2020, in the amount of \$352,750.07 (attached), was approved on a motion by Joseph Rineer and seconded by Lawrence Stoltzfus; motion carried unanimously.

Payment of Bills: The list of bills to be paid in February 2020, in the amount of \$22,731.49 (attached), was approved on a motion by Joseph Rineer and seconded by David Rineer; motion carried unanimously.

SEO Report: The SEO report listed activity of \$200.00 for the month of January 2020.

Tax Collector's Report: None.

Zoning Officer's Report: The Zoning Officer's report listed activity in the amount of \$32,966.68 for the month of January 2020.

At their meeting on January 13, 2020, the Supervisors approved releasing \$30,000 of the escrow held in a letter of credit for Alvin K. Esh (139 Bushong Rd) and holding approx. \$7,000 until an as-built plan is submitted.

However, the total escrow is only \$33,229.90, so no funds were released. In addition, Mr. Esh has added approx. 2,200 sq ft of impervious surface, causing the existing stormwater basin to be too small and necessary to be redesigned. On a motion by Joseph Rineer and seconded by David Rineer, the Supervisors approved releasing \$20,000 of the escrow held in a letter of credit. Motion carried unanimously.

Road Master's Report: The Road Master's report of activity in January 2020 was reviewed. Part-time help will be needed for skin patching season.

Solanco Public Safety Committee: No report.

Emergency Management: No report.

Southern Lancaster County Inter-Municipal Council: No report.

Correspondence: Received correspondence was reviewed and disseminated. The Supervisors approved Mark and Szilvi attending the Lancaster County Conservation District's annual banquet.

Old Business:

Federal Surplus Property Program Eligibility: The application will be re-submitted with a more detailed description of the Township's operations and updated signatures. The forms will be signed after the meeting.

Truck Purchase: The Supervisors approved spending up to \$10,000 for a utility truck. They also asked Mark to get quotes for a dump truck and/or loader.

New Business:

Solanco School District Escrow Release: On a motion by Joseph Rineer and seconded by David Rineer, the Supervisors approved releasing the School District from their obligations under the bond without surety in the amount of \$12,113,375.00, provided for additions and renovations to Smith Middle School, and returning the \$3,500 held in land development escrow. Motion passed unanimously. The \$10,000 stormwater escrow held in a separate PLGIT account will be returned once an as-built plan and the NPDES permit closeout documents are provided to the Township.

Return of Eng. Escrow – Mt Pleasant Mennonite Church: On a motion by Joseph Rineer and seconded by David Rineer, the Supervisors approved releasing the \$500.00 engineering escrow held to Mt Pleasant Mennonite Church after subtracting applicable engineering fees. Motion passed unanimously.

U.S. Census Bureau Initial Boundary Validation: The Supervisors approved signing the boundary validation form without making any changes.

Enola Rail Trail Update: The meeting held by Quarryville Borough was very informational. Mark notified the game warden and State Police about people riding four-wheelers on the Trail.

Tree Removal along Rail Trail: John S. Fisher (25 Hess Rd) wants to cut some trees down along the Rail Trail on Twp property. The Supervisors agreed to allow Mr. Fisher to remove the trees if they are dead, the roots stay intact and a swale is installed. Lawrence Stoltzfus will go with Mark to verify that the trees are not alive.

Public Participation:

Tom Spring (217 Stony Hill Rd) inquired whether the Township has a Noise Ordinance. He was told that Eden Township does not.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Joseph Rineer and seconded by Lawrence Stoltzfus; motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Szilvia Troutman

Joseph L. Rineer

David G. Rineer

Lawrence M. Stoltzfus