

TOWNSHIP OF STROUD
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING, January 18, 2022 7:00 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the Stroud Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairwoman & Secretary, Christine A. Wilkins at 7:00 P.M. and was conducted for an in-person meeting of the Board. Also attending were Vice Chairwoman & Ass't Secretary, Jennifer Shukaitis; Supervisor/Ass't Treasurer Edward C. Cramer; Township Manager, Daryl A. Eppley; Township Solicitor, Todd Weitzmann; Township Engineer, Donna Alker; and Recording Secretary, Janice Willey. Mrs. Wilkins began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments: (Non-Agenda Items) There were no Public Comments.

Approve Special Meeting Minutes: December 29, 2021. Mr. Cramer made a motion to **approve Special Meeting Minutes: December 29, 2021.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

Approve Reorganization Meeting Minutes: January 3, 2022. Ms. Shukaitis made a motion to **approve Reorganization Meeting Minutes: January 3, 2022.** Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

Approve Regular Meeting Minutes: January 3, 2022. Mr. Cramer made a motion to **approve Regular Meeting Minutes: January 3, 2022.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

Approve Payment Of Bills: General Fund: \$111,985.95. Ms. Shukaitis made a motion to **approve Payment Of Bills: General Fund: \$111,985.95.** Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

Approve Payment Of Bills: Golf Course Fund: \$2,400.60. Mr. Cramer made a motion to **approve Payment Of Bills: Golf Course Fund: \$2,400.60.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

Treasurer's Report: Month of December, 2021. Mr. Eppley read the report aloud. Ms. Shukaitis made a motion to **approve Treasurer's Report: Month of December, 2021.** Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

Manager's Report: The new permanent Mervine Road bridge was delivered to Gaunt Road for storage until installation scheduled for April. The new temporary bridge is scheduled for delivery at the work site January 26. The consultant for the HSPS Comprehensive Plan Update has been delayed in finishing the draft plan and presentation due to personal reasons. The replacement of signal pre-emption equipment on Route 611 has been completed. We have provided about 150 Christmas trees dropped-off for re-cycling for use by The Nature Conservancy. The streetlight conversion to LEDs has been approved by PPL which will be paying for approximately 88 of the 96 streetlight conversions in the township.

Public Works Dept. Report: Mr. Eppley read from Douglas Walker's report. The Road Crew has been working on the following, they are preparing for the Winter Season. Still cutting brush back off the roads and focused on salting and snow removal the past few weeks. They have received the Mervine Bridge at Gaunt Road last week and prepping for the temporary bridge delivery at the end of January. And as always they are working hard on the "Request for Action" forms as they come in.

Police Report: The monthly report was received, and Corporal Petrosino represented the Police Department at tonight's meeting.

Solicitor's Report: Mr. Weitzmann reported he was working on a draft ordinance for the Dunkelberger property. The rest of his report is for Executive Session.

Engineer's Report: Mrs. Alker reported she will be attending a MS4 Roundtable sponsored by the MCPC and Brodhead Watershed Association on 1/19/2022. There is nothing new to report on Zoning Ordinance Amendments and Brushy Mt Road & Rt. 447 Drainage. Regarding Act 167, a draft copy of the plan is expected this month. There are some ongoing SALDO Projects still being worked on.

Fire Department Report: Brian McCartney read from the report that was submitted by Patrick Bull, the Fire Department Relief Association has increased the life insurance from \$15,000.00 to \$25,000.00. The 2021 Christmas

tree sales went well. The net proceeds were just over \$7,000.00. The department is still receiving mailers. The total 2021 fire calls is 476. They are still seeking several avenues for the financing of the radio upgrades.

Old Business:

- 1. Planning Commission Recommendation - Buccino Petition For Zoning Map Amendment Changing 1444 & 1450 N. Ninth Street From C-4 To C-2.** Mr. Eppley gave an update stating three letters went out to property owners who are not involved in Mr. Buccino's re-zone request. One responded stating they would prefer to remain commercial and not go back to R-1. He did discuss this with Marc Wolfe and Mr. Wolfe will attend the BOS Meeting on 2/1/2022 for further discussion. This will give the other two property owners time to respond.
- 2. Planning Commission Recommendation - ETK Ventures Minor Subdivision, 1856 W. Main Street – Action Deadline: 2/15/2022.** Jack Simpkins, PLS was representing the property owner. A new plan was submitted, it was the first time being reviewed. There were discussions with the Board and Mrs. Alker regarding the requirements for the driveway from the Township, the Zoning Ordinance and PennDOT. Mr. Cramer made a motion to **refer ETK Ventures Minor Subdivision back to the Township Planning Commission for them to take a look and make comments on new plan.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

New Business:

- 1. Appoint Cramer, Swetz, McManus & Jordan, P.C. As Alternate Township Solicitor, Alternate Stroud Township Sewer Authority Solicitor, Building Code Board of Appeals Solicitor, And Zoning And SEO Solicitor.** Ms. Shukaitis made a motion to **appoint Cramer, Swetz, McManus & Jordan, P.C. As Alternate Township Solicitor, Alternate Stroud Township Sewer Authority Solicitor, Building Code Board of Appeals Solicitor, And Zoning And SEO Solicitor.** Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.
- 2. Adopt Resolution No. 2022-30 Regarding Endorsement Of Proposed Amtrak Corridor.** Mr. Cramer made a motion to **adopt Resolution No. 2022-30 Regarding Endorsement Of Proposed Amtrak Corridor.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.
- 3. Approve Registering To Purchase 1500 Tons Of Sodium Chloride Road Salt Through CoStars Program For 2022-2023 Winter Season.** Ms. Shukaitis made a motion to **approve Registering To Purchase 1500 Tons Of Sodium Chloride Road Salt Through CoStars Program For 2022-2023 Winter Season.** Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.
- 4. Approve Signing And Entering Into Agreement With Manter Inspection Company LLC For Building Code Inspection, Zoning And Code Enforcement Services.** Mr. Cramer made a motion to **approve Signing And Entering Into Agreement With Manter Inspection Company LLC For Building Code Inspection, Zoning And Code Enforcement Services.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.
- 5. Authorize Solicitor To Prepare Ordinance Amendment Expanding EP-2 Zone Overlay District To 505 Fawn Road.** Ms. Shukaitis made a motion to **authorize Solicitor To Prepare Ordinance Amendment Expanding EP-2 Zone Overlay District To 505 Fawn Road.** Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.
- 6. Ratify Purchase & Installation Of Gutter & Downspouts At Glen Brook Clubhouse By Overmyer Construction LLC At A Cost Of \$1,050.00 – Golf Course Budget Line Item #409.232.** Mr. Cramer made a motion to **ratify Purchase & Installation Of Gutter & Downspouts At Glen Brook Clubhouse By Overmyer Construction LLC At A Cost Of \$1,050.00 – Golf Course Budget Line Item #409.232.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.
- 7. Approve Payment In The Amount Of \$11,679.00 To Signal Service, Inc. For Route 611 Traffic Signals Pre-emption Equipment Repairs – Budget Line Item #433.452.** Ms. Shukaitis made a motion to **approve Payment In The Amount Of \$11,679.00 To Signal Service, Inc. For Route 611 Traffic Signals Pre-emption Equipment Repairs – Budget Line Item #433.452.** Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

8. **Authorize Advertising and Bidding Miller Street Curb & Sidewalk Replacement Project.** Mr. Cramer made a motion to authorize Advertising and Bidding Miller Street Curb & Sidewalk Replacement Project. Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.
9. **Authorize Scheduling, Advertising And Bidding For Annual Spring Clean-up From April 27 To April 30.** Ms. Shukaitis made a motion to authorize Scheduling, Advertising And Bidding For Annual Spring Clean-up From April 27 To April 30. Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.
10. **Approve Use Of Township Meeting Room For Girl Scout Meetings On The Second & Fourth Fridays In January, February and March From 6 PM To 7:30 PM.** Mr. Cramer made a motion to approve Use Of Township Meeting Room For Girl Scout Meetings On The Second & Fourth Fridays In January, February and March From 6 PM To 7:30 PM. Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.
11. **Discuss, and Take Action If In Order, On Reilly Associates' Recommendations Pertaining To Wedgewood Lake Drive and Norton Road & Creekwood Drive Intersection.** The discussion included the need for signage posting, sight distances, parking and plowing issues. Mr. Cramer made a motion to authorize Township solicitor prepare ordinances based on Reilly Associates' Recommendations Pertaining To Wedgewood Lake Drive and Norton Road & Creekwood Drive Intersection.

Executive Session: Ms. Shukaitis made a motion to go into executive session at 7:54 P.M. to discuss litigation, real property, personnel and security matters. Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0. Ms. Shukaitis made a motion to return to regular session at 9:11 P.M. Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0. Mrs. Wilkins said that the Board discussed personnel and litigation matters in executive session and she asked if there were any motions. Mr. Cramer made a motion to authorize solicitor to advertise for a Joint Meeting with Stroud Township Sewer Authority on Monday 1/24/2022 at 7:00 P.M. Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

There being no further business, Ms. Shukaitis made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 P.M. Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Janice Willey
Administrative and Recording Secretary