

MINUTES

**SOUTH MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
520 PARK DRIVE
BOILING SPRINGS, PA. 17007**

MAY 13, 2021

PRESENT: BRYAN GEMBUSIA, RICK REIGHARD, DUFF MANWEILER, RON HAMILTON, SHELLY CAPOZZI – SUPERVISORS, Cory Adams – Manager, Jarrett Sweeney – Assistant Manager, Tim Duerr – Zoning Officer, Sandy Quickel – Recording Secretary, Kurt Williams – Acting Solicitor, Carol Shetter, Doug Gale, Gerald & Velma Miller, John Snyder, Rick Rovegno, Mike Meredith, John & Darlene Benoit.

NOTE: This meeting was simulcasted via Zoom. Those observing the meeting from the public remotely will not be included in the minutes unless they make a comment during the meeting.

Chairman Gembusia called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Gembusia led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

A moment of silence was observed.

OPENING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Chairman Gembusia announced that the meeting is recorded. There was an Executive Session held from 5:00 – 6:00 pm to discuss personnel, real estate, and pending litigation.

MINUTES: 04/29/21 (Regular Meeting):

Ron made a motion to approve the minutes. Duff seconded, and the vote in favor was unanimous.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Doug Gale, Derbyshire Drive, discussed Waste Management's terrible service. He stated that his trash was not picked up again on Wednesday. He called Waste Management and was on hold for 30 minutes or more. Mr. Gale questioned if Waste Management wants to break their contract. Bryan G. said the Township's Solicitor is looking into options to deal with this issue.

Carol Shetter, Gutshall Road, commented on a notice she received discussing four questions on the primary ballot.

Rick Rovegno, Spring Farm Circle, discussed the issue of Cumberland County selling Claremont Nursing and Rehabilitation Home to a private entity. He noted that this decision was made during the pandemic when County meetings were not occurring. In October of 2020, Mr. Rovegno claimed that the Cumberland County Commissioners announced that they hired Susquehanna Group Advisors to help sell Claremont because it was projected to operate at a deficit in 2020. There are no minutes discussing this issue. Mr. Rovegno stated that 77% of the residents are on Medicaid, and if it was sold to a privately owned entity, he does not know where

those residents would go to. He feels the process is being rushed and wants to slow down the process. He said there is a petition on-line for people to sign

#2021-0001 STARBUCKS – Final Land Development:

This plan was tabled.

#2021-0009 LAUREL FORGE PHASE 1 – Final Subdivision & Land Development:

John Snyder was present to discuss the plan. Mr. Snyder stated this is a 27 lot subdivision. The applicant is requesting final approval for Phase 1 of the approved preliminary plan of 43 single family residential lots. Tim said there are no modifications – they were previously addressed at the preliminary plan stage. Brian O. said the applicant had received conditional use approval and preliminary plan approval.

Rick made a motion to approve plan #2021-0009, subject to staff comments. Shelly seconded, and the vote in favor was unanimous.

SOLICITOR REPORT:

No report was given.

ENGINEER REPORT:

Brian O. reported on the speed limit on Forge Road from Karns heading towards Carlisle. The speed limit from Karns to Lindsey Road is 50 mph. The rest of the speed limit after that point is 35 mph. Since time has passed since Penn DOT reviewed this issue, phases of Forgedale Crossing and Olde Forge Station have been built. Also, more people are walking and biking along Forge Road. Duff made a motion to authorize the Township Engineer to request a speed limit reduction on Forge Road as outlined. Rick seconded, and the vote in favor was unanimous.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT:

Tim stated that he is looking to make a zoning text amendment change in the Village District. The changes may include outdoor seating/sales and shared parking. He will present an amendment to the Board in a few weeks.

The decision for the Cumberland Crossing Apartments Conditional Use is ready for signing.

MANAGER REPORT:

Cory informed the Board on the substandard service Waste Management has been providing the past few weeks. He said it is very frustrating. Ali Wood has done a tremendous job fielding complaints for the Township.

Ron made a motion to approve Resolution #2021-11 expressing commitment to file an application to the Greenways, Trails and Recreation program requesting grant funding for the construction of two tennis courts, two pickleball courts, and a ADA walking trail. Duff seconded, and the vote in favor was unanimous.

Cory reported that the Township will be receiving a \$3 million grant that will be applied to the purchase of the Carlisle Airport. He thanked GMS, Attorney Salzman, Senator Regan, Representative Ecker, and the Governor's office for their assistance with this grant.

PUBLIC INPUT:

There was no public input.

SUPERVISOR’S DISCUSSION:

Rick commented on the terrific volunteer fire company members. He witnessed three members rescuing 9 ducklings from a grate in The Oaks development. He commended them on a great job.

Duff stated that there is a change in the meeting date for the Boiling Springs group to meet. The new date will be June 2, 2021 instead of May 19, 2021.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT:

Shelly made a motion to pay the bills. Ron seconded, and the vote in favor was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

Rick made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 pm. Shelly seconded, and the vote in favor was unanimous.

ATTEST:

**SOUTH MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

Sandra A. Quickel, Secretary

Bryan A Gembusia, Chairman

Shelly L. Capozzi, Vice Chairwoman

Walter G. Reighard, Member

R. Duff Manweiler, Member

Ronald P. Hamilton, Member