WORCESTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING WORCESTER TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY HALL FAIRVIEW VILLAGE, WORCESTER, PA WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2020 – 7:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER by Chair DeLello at 7:30 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT:	RICK DELELLO	[X]
	STEVE QUIGLEY	[X]
	SUSAN CAUGHLAN	[X] – via speakerphone

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Tommy Ryan, Township Manager, announced this evening's Business Meeting was being video-recorded for rebroadcast.
- Chair DeLello commented on the Business Meeting agenda and on efforts to provide COVID-19 protections.
- Mr. Ryan commented on daily updates regarding COVID-19 that are posted to the Township website, event cancellation status, and park and trail status.

PUBLIC COMMENT

• Jim Mollick, Worcester, commented on influenza mortality rates, media coverage of COVID-19, the potential open space referendum, the impact of tax increases on Township residents, Pennsylvania State Ethics Commission review of previous open space preservation projects, and the procedure employed to select properties to be preserved.

OFFICIAL ACTION ITEMS

a) <u>Consent Agenda</u> – Chair DeLello asked if any Member wished to remove an item from the consent agenda. There were no requests to remove an item from the consent agenda.

Supervisor Quigley made a motion to approve a consent agenda that includes (a) the Treasurer's Report and other Monthly Reports for February 2020, (b) bill payment for February 2020 in the amount of \$509,733.76; (c) the February 19, 2020 Work Session minutes; and, (d), the February 19, 2020 Business Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Caughlan.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the Board adopted the motion to approve.

b) <u>Resolution 2020-09</u> – Mr. Ryan provided an overview of a two-lot single-family detached subdivision at 2578 Morris Road.

Supervisor Caughlan commented on the status of the existing dwelling. Dean Mazzota, Applicant, commented on the status of the existing dwelling.

Mr. Mazzota stated he is agreeable to all conditions included in the proposed resolution.

Supervisor Quigley made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-09, to grant Preliminary/Final Plan Approval for Mazz Properties LLC, LD 2019-04, a two-lot subdivision at 2578 Morris Road. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Caughlan.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the Board adopted the motion to approve.

c) <u>Resolution 2020-10</u> – Mr. Ryan provided an overview of a grant application for funding to design and construct an approximate one-mile extension to the Zacharias Trail, to connect with the existing trail network at Evansburg State Park.

Supervisor Caughlan commented on the municipal match. Mr. Ryan noted the required 50% municipal match.

Supervisor Quigley made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-10, to authorize submission of a grant application for the Zacharias Trail Extension Project to the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Community Conservation Partnerships Program. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Caughlan.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the Board adopted the motion to approve.

d) <u>waiver</u> – Mr. Ryan provided an overview of a waiver request to install an on-lot septic system in a setback at 3275 Mill Road.

Supervisor Caughlan commented on impact to property grading. Mr. Ryan commented on CKS review and recommended approval.

Supervisor Quigley made a motion to approve a waiver request to install an on-lot septic system in a setback at 3275 Mill Road. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Caughlan.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the Board adopted the motion to approve.

e) <u>agreement</u> – Mr. Ryan provided an overview of a proposed lease agreement extension with American Tower for an existing communications tower at Township-owned property, at 1721 Valley Forge Road.

Bob Brant, Township Solicitor, confirmed his office had reviewed the agreement, and had found all to be in good order.

Supervisor Quigley made a motion to approve a lease agreement extension with American Tower for an existing communications tower at Township-owned property, at 1721 Valley Forge Road. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Caughlan.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the Board adopted the motion to approve.

f) <u>settlement</u> – Mr. Brant provided an overview of a proposed assessment appeal Settlement Stipulation for property at Doe Brook.

Supervisor Caughlan commented on assessment appeal fiscal impact to the Methacton School District.

Supervisor Quigley made a motion to approve a Settlement Stipulation for Vandris and Bibila v. Montgomery County Board of Assessment Appeals, et al., Montgomery County Court of Common Pleas Docket No. 2018-20678. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Caughlan.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the Board adopted the motion to approve.

g) <u>Proclamation 2020-01</u> – Mr. Ryan provided an overview of a proclamation to recognize April 2020 as Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month.

Supervisor Quigley made a motion to approve Proclamation 2020-01, to recognize April 2020 as Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Caughlan.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the Board adopted the motion to approve.

OTHER BUSINESS

• The Members discussed potential video conferencing options for public meetings in order to provide COVID-19 protections.

PUBLIC COMMENT

• George Hilton, Worcester, commented on the Valley Forge Road Corridor Improvement Project. Mr. Ryan commented on the project status, and on potential improvements.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business brought before the Board, Chair DeLello adjourned the Business Meeting at 8:08 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Tommy Ryan Township Manager