# WORCESTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING WORCESTER TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY HALL FAIRVIEW VILLAGE, WORCESTER, PA WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 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]

#### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

• Tommy Ryan, Township Manager, announced this evening's Business Meeting was being video-recorded for rebroadcast.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Jim Mollick, Worcester, commented on a Federal Court ruling on State business closures and public gathering limitations, litigation as to protective masks, discussions had with Supervisor Caughlan at a previous Board of Supervisors meeting, communications between Supervisor Caughlan and certain members of the Friends of Worcester regarding a proposed development at Germantown Pike, the deletion of e-mails from the Township server, and record retention requirements.
- Wini Hayes, Worcester, commented public comment made at a previous Board of Supervisors meeting.

Supervisor Caughlan commented on public comment policy, minutes of a previous Board of Supervisors meeting, and Friends of Worcester activities.

Chair DeLello commented on the allowance of public comment at public meetings, public comment period policy, and individual recourse regarding comments made during the public comment period.

Supervisor Caughlan commented on the allowance of public comment at public meetings, and public comment case law.

Supervisor Quigley commented on the allowance of public comment at public meetings, and constitutional protection to speak at public meetings.

Supervisor Quigley commented on alleged communications between Members of the Board of Supervisors and Members of the Zoning Hearing Board. Mr. Ryan was directed to review this matter.

## **OFFICIAL ACTION ITEMS**

a) <u>Consent Agenda</u> – Chair DeLello asked if any Member wished to remove an item from the consent agenda. Supervisor Caughlan requested the August 19 Business Meeting minutes be removed 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 August 2020, (b) bill payment for August 2020 in the amount of \$230,562.93; and, (c) the August 19, 2020 Work Session Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Caughlan.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the Board adopted the motion to approve.

As to the August 19 Business Meeting minutes, Supervisor Caughlan commented on the accurate inclusion of certain public comments in the meeting minutes. There was general discussion regarding public comments made at the meeting, and the meeting minutes reflection of same.

Ms. Hayes commented on the accuracy of the public comments, and public comment inclusion in meeting minutes. Dr. Mollick commented on the accuracy of the public comments, and meeting minute preparation.

Supervisor Quigley made a motion to approve the August 19 Business Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Chair DeLello Caughlan.

The motion was approved 2-1, with Supervisor Caughlan voting no.

 b) <u>Public Hearing</u> – The Members conducted a Public Hearing to consider Conditional Use Application 2020-01, Meadowood, Skippack Pike, to construct a pedestrian bridge in a Riparian Corridor Conservation District Zone One and Riparian Corridor Conservation District Zone Two.

The Public Hearing was opened at 8:04pm. A transcript of the proceedings was prepared by a court reporter.

The Public Hearing was closed at 8:35pm.

c) <u>motion</u> – Bob Brant, Township Solicitor, presented recommended conditions for a motion to approve Conditional Use Application 2020-01, Meadowood, Skippack Pike, for construction

of a pedestrian bridge in a Riparian Corridor Conservation District Zone One and Riparian Corridor Conservation District Zone Two.

Supervisor Quigley made a motion to approve Conditional Use Application 2020-01, Meadowood, Skippack Pike, subject to the following conditions: (1) the Applicant obtaining all required permits; (2) the Applicant providing hydraulic calculations for review and approval by the Township Engineer; (3) the Applicant providing an erosion and sediment control plan for review and approval by the Township Engineer; (4) Township Engineer inspection of all improvements to be made; and, (5) all proposed plantings be submitted for Township Engineer review and approval. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Caughlan.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the Board adopted the motion to approve.

d) <u>Resolution 2020-17</u> – Kate Harper, Counsel for the Applicant, provided an overview of a preliminary plan to construct a memory care facility at Meadowood, Skippack Pike.

Tim Woodrow, Engineer for the Applicant, commented on the Meadowood Master Plan, and on the proposed memory care facility's proximity to existing facilities.

Mr. Woodrow commented on proposed stormwater management facilities, landscaping and parking lot.

Mr. Woodrow commented on the extension of public sewer to two properties at Skippack Pike recently purchased by Meadowood.

Mr. Woodrow commented on memory care facility use and layout.

Chair DeLello commented on the requested waivers. Mr. Woodrow commented on several waivers pertaining to stormwater management, and noted rationale for same. Joe Nolan, Township Engineer, commented on requested waivers, and on waivers granted for past projects at the property.

Supervisor Quigley commented on stormwater management. Supervisor Quigley commented on services provided, and services available to spouses.

Supervisor Caughlan commented on stormwater management, and on building and impervious coverages at the property.

There was general discussion as to the requested waivers. The Applicant agreed to prepare additional information to support the relief requested, and to submit same for consideration at the October 21 Business Meeting.

e) <u>bid ratification</u> – Mr. Ryan provided an overview of bids received for the purchase of winter materials from the Montgomery County Winter Materials Consortium.

Supervisor Caughlan commented on materials used to produce brine solution.

Supervisor Caughlan made a motion to ratify a bid award for winter materials to Morton Salt, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, in the amount of \$51.00 per ton F.O.B., and \$51.05 per ton delivered, as awarded by the Upper Dublin Township Board of Commissioners, and to approve Worcester Township participation in the Montgomery County Winter Materials Consortium for the 2010/21 winter season. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Quigley.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the Board adopted the motion to approve.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

• No other business was discussed at this evening's Business Meeting.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

• Dr. Mollick commented on defamation and slander, the discovery process, Meadowood plan consideration, the number of dwelling units proposed at the Meadowood and Palmer developments, and impacts of development at Meadowood. Supervisor Caughlan commented on discovery for previous litigation.

# ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business brought before the Board, Chair DeLello adjourned the Business Meeting at 9:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Tommy Ryan Township Manager