

**BETHEL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES
April 24, 2018**

The Bethel Township Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order by Chairman Jacob Meyer at 8:35 p.m. in the Bethel Township Meeting Room, Bethel PA.

Attending the meeting were Jacob Meyer, Mike Graby and Lee Groff. Also, in attendance were Solicitor, Eugene Orlando Jr., Engineer, Gary Kraft, Zoning Officer, Robin Royer and Township Secretary Treasurer, Jayne Seifrit. Several interested residents were in attendance.

Public Comment on Agenda

Hearing of Visitors

NorthPoint – They are looking to move the LERTA request forward. They need to approach the School District also and the timing is critical. Eugene Orlando stated he can get the paperwork ready in short order, but the Board wanted preliminary plan approval prior to committing to the LERTA. He stated the plan is about a month away from preliminary plan approval. Jake Meyer made a motion authorizing Solicitor and Engineer prepare LERTA Ordinance Amendment along with the detailed property location (Klahr properties only) subject to review and approval recommendation by Planning Commission at their May 22, 2018 meeting with the hearing for the LERTA to be June 18, 2018 at 7:00 pm, seconded by Lee Groff. All agreed. Motion carried.

Zoning Officer – Robin Royer

No questions

Supervisors Comments

Lee Groff – Lee Groff stated he met with a Valic representative and has him preparing a proposal for the employees.

Jacob Meyer – nothing at this time

Mike Graby – Merkey Drive – Mike Graby stated we have received a third quote to do section of Merkey Dr. It was discussed Landis Deck and Sons are going further than the other two contractors. Mike Graby made a motion authorizing Landis Deck & Sons do the paving on Merkey Dr for \$19,500.00 for some length of 1625 feet, seconded by Lee Groff. All agreed. Motion carried.

Actions from Planning Commission

Dave Peirce Driveway waiver request – Jake Meyer made a motion to approve recommendation from the Planning Commission to waive driveway standards but instead authorize the placement of 4 inches of 3a stone compacted, 4 inches of 2a stone compacted and a 4 inch binder course with a final 2 inch top coat going on once all compacted and no longer shifting (3 or 4 years) an easement, satisfactory to Township Solicitor, in place for driveway to cross over another property, seconded by Mike Graby. All agreed. Motion carried.

Zoning Ordinance and Map amendments – May meeting

Blatt Subdivision – Mike Graby made a motion to reject plan for failure to comply with the Kraft Engineering review letter dated December 13, 2017 unless a time extension is received prior to the May 19, 2018 deadline, seconded by Lee Groff. Motion carried.

Solicitor – Eugene Orlando Jr

Tiger's Den – It was decided to do an executive session next month for possible litigation.

Engineering – Gary Kraft

Nothing at this time

Recreation Board

Lee Groff stated he would like authorization to apply for a grant from DCED for the GTRP Grant which has a 15% match. Kraft Engineering was asked by the Recreation Board to develop a plan for the Airport Road property. They said they would like a parking area, tot lot, comfort station, pavilion, benches, walking path/ADA compliant sections, and single picnic tables under cover. The plan was shown to the Board. Mike Graby made a motion authorizing Gary Kraft to get pricing for what is on the plan, seconded by Lee Groff. All agreed. Motion carried. Mike Graby made a motion authorizing Lee Groff to do the grant and apply for the grant adopting Resolution 2018-24, seconded by Jake Meyer. All agreed. Motion carried. Mike Graby made a motion authorizing Don Almond to contact Dale Bechtold for pricing for basic excavation work scrub tree removal, seconded by Jake Meyer. All agreed. Motion carried.

Fund raising – Jake Meyer made a motion authorizing the Recreation Board to create an informational /fund raising flyer for residents, seconded by Mike Graby. All agreed. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

TIF Meeting – May 22, 2018 at 6:00 pm Lee Groff made a motion authorizing advertising meeting for May 22, 2018 at 6:00 pm for Transportation Impact amendments, seconded by Mike Graby. All agreed. Motion carried.

Choice Communications – Warranty for an additional 12 months. Jayne Seifrit stated the phones were \$215.00 and \$180.00 in 2013. Mike Graby made a motion to approve and authorize Chairman sign agreement to extend warranty for 12 months for \$775.00, seconded by Jake Meyer. All agreed. Motion carried.

Flags – Jayne Seifrit stated Donald Daub contacted Rep. Barry Jozwiak for a flag that was flown over the Capital. Rep Barry Jozwiak delivered a flag to the Township. A letter of thanks was sent to Rep. Jozwiak.

New Business

Chief Ryan Murphy was not able to attend meeting; however, he provided an incident report for stolen equipment that was borrowed from two townships to run speed. The Board looked over report and determined a claim should be opened for theft. Mike Graby made a motion to submit claim to the insurance company, seconded by Jake Meyer. All agreed. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Randall Haag asked when the banners will be hung up. Mike Graby said they will be put up in May, there could be an issue with the ones in Bethel because of the poles. When the poles were replaced they didn't take down the old poles so some of the banners won't be able to be hung right away.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Mike Graby, seconded by Lee Groff to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Jayne K Seifrit, Township Secretary