The Bethel Township Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order by Chairman Jacob Meyer at 7:00 p.m. in the Bethel Township Meeting Room, Bethel PA.

Attending the meeting were Jacob Meyer and Michael Graby. Also, in attendance were Solicitor Stephen Price; Engineer, Jeffrey Steckbeck and Township Secretary Treasurer Jayne Seifrit. Several interested residents were in attendance.

Public Comment on Agenda

Hearing of Visitors

Census 2020 – Donna Daub was present to share information about hiring for the 2020 census. She stated each person in the Township equals about $2100.00 of funding. When people are missed the funds are not received. Information is on the Township website.

Approval of Minutes

Michael Graby made a motion to approve minutes from October 21, 2019, seconded by Jake Meyer. All agreed. Motion carried.

Jake Meyer made a motion to approve minutes from October 22, 2019, seconded by Mike Graby. All agreed. Motion carried.

Mike Graby made a motion to approve minutes from First Responder meeting November 7, 2019, seconded by Jake Meyer. All agreed. Motion carried.

Mike Graby made a motion to approve minutes from Budget meeting November 12, 2019, seconded by Jake Meyer. Jake Meyer made a motion to approve minutes from Budget meeting November 13, 2019, seconded by Mike Graby. All agreed. Motion carried.

Supervisors Comments

Lee Groff –

Jake Meyer – Jake Meyer stated the Township received a resignation letter from Lee Groff resigning as a Supervisor and Planning Commission member. The Board accepted the resignation letter. Jake Meyer made a motion to appoint Robbi Lane, seconded by Mike Graby. All agreed. Motion carried.

Jake Meyer stated he and Mike Graby attended the Timber Harvest workshop and found it informative. Timber Harvesting is looked at as an Agricultural activity.

Michael Graby – Nothing at this time.

Police Department Report – Chief Ryan Murphy

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2838 mileage was noted with 183 activities. Full copy of the report will be filed with the official minutes.

Full Time Officers – Chief Murphy stated two of the part time officers will be going full time January 1, 2020 as discussed as part of the budget process. Chief Murphy asked the Board to authorize advertising for three part time officers to start January 1, 2020. Jake Meyer made a motion authorizing the advertisement for three part time officers, seconded by Mike Graby. All agreed. Motion carried. Chief Murphy will get an advertisement to Jayne Seifrit.

Contract – The bargaining unit is looking for a three-year contract not a five year. The Board asked Chief Murphy to split the difference and do a four-year contract.

**Emergency Management Coordinator** - Randy Behney
Randy Behney handed in his resignation. The Board accepted Randy Behney’s resignation.

**Road Master Report** – Pete Davis
Pete Davis stated there is an 8:30 am meeting with the bridge engineer for Bashore Street Bridge.
Garage Doors – Two garage doors need to be replaced. Two quotes were received. Shank door cost was $7,240.00 and Cornwell was $5,827.00 and better door was quoted. Mike Graby made a motion to have Cornwell replace doors $5,827.00, seconded by Jake Meyer. All agreed. Motion carried. Cornwell fixed the door opener.
Skid Steer – Pete Davis said Zimmerman’s Farm Service has a Case skid steer they would like the Township to purchase. We would need to become a member of Sourcewell then can get member pricing and it works similar to Costars. Jake Meyer made a motion to purchase for price on paperwork and becoming a member of Sourcewell, seconded by Mike Graby. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Solicitor** – Stephen Price
Littering Ordinance – Steve Price stated he wasn’t clear if the Board wanted a stand-alone ordinance and enforceable by police. The Board stated that is their wish.
Daub Rd and Bashore Street short sections – Steve Price suggests a quick claim deed will be prepared.
Zoning Ordinance and Map amendment – Hearing is scheduled for December 16, 2019 at 6:00 pm.
Deed of Dedication for Central Blvd and portion of Fort Motel Drive – Stephen Price said it’s in the hands of the Duke solicitor.
Mandatory Connection Ordinance – Mike Graby made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-02, seconded by Jake Meyer. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Engineering** – Jeffrey Steckbeck
Jeffrey Steckbeck stated his office has inspected Midway South, West Run Lot 1 and Horning’s projects.
Jeffrey Steckbeck stated Leonard Martin, Adam Martin and MAIT Storage Facility Plans are waiting to see what happens with the zoning next month.

**Municipal Authority** – Mike Graby
Michael Graby didn’t have anything to report.

**Library Board** –
Jake Meyer stated the renovations would likely start August or September 2020. Jake Meyer stated he has met with or will be meeting with State Government officials, Barry Jozwiak, Dan Meuser and David Argall.

**Recreation Board** –
No report

**Environmental Advisory Council** – Jake Meyer
Jake Meyer stated it was a very short meeting. Spotted Lantern flies was a topic discussed.

**Unfinished Business**
Welcome Sign – nothing new
Policy revisions – Jake Meyer stated Jayne Seifrit attended a webinar concerning medical marijuana, may need to insert language in the policy.
   Jake Meyer made a motion authorizing the paperwork be forwarded to PSATS for disability Option C, seconded by Mike Graby. All agreed. Motion carried.
Zoning Hearing Board Alternate – Jacob Meyer asked if anybody has a second person. Not at this time, it was stated they will keep looking.
Bank Signature Cards for Zimmerman Holding Tank – Jayne Seifrit stated we have the signature card for the account. We will sign at the end of the meeting.
Budget – Jayne Seifrit stated the budget is ready to be advertised for inspection. The amount is $1,610,667.00 for 2020. Jake Meyer made a motion authorizing the advertising of the budget for inspection with plan to adopt at the meeting on December 16, 2019, seconded by Mike Graby. All agreed. Motion carried.
BCIDA land – The Township received an email stating the asking price for the land across from Martha Drive is $50,000.00. The Township is not interested. Jayne Seifrit will send an email to BCIDA that we are not interested. Lisa Hassler stated it would be irresponsible to spend tax payers money on that property, that is her personal and professional opinion.
Pension admin and investing – One response was received; it is from Pennsylvania Municipalities Pension Trust. The committee will look over.

**New Business**
Letter from Berks County concerning street light billing – They are asking about flat rate instead of per road frontage foot. Jayne Seifrit stated she needs to do the math to see what that would mean for the taxpayers. Mike Graby made a motion authorizing Chairman sign the form for taxes and Jayne Seifrit do the calculations, seconded by Jake Meyer. All agreed. Motion carried.
Rec Fee Amish Parochial School – Per our regulations they would not have to pay because they are a school. Jake Meyer made a motion to refund the fee, seconded by Mike Graby. All agreed. Motion carried.

Proclamation School Choice Week – No action taken
Terms ending 2019:
- Planning Commission – Brian Bauer and Betsy Bowman
- Zoning Hearing Board – Robert Stockholm, also looking for a second alternate
- BTMA – Kevin Stupp handed in his resignation effective December 31, 2019. Board accepted.
- Recreation Board – Donald Almond Bonnie Behney handed in her resignation effective November 6, 2019. Board accepted.
- EAC – Mike Najarian
  2 auditors will be needed depending on results of write-ins.
- Wreaths Across America – It was decided the Township would be a small business sponsor which equates to 10 wreaths for a total of $150.00 for the event. Several residents spoke about it being a good event.

Payment of Bills
Payment of bills from the general fund from check 32990 – 33020, open space 187 and street light 207.
Mike Graby made a motion to approve payment of the bills, seconded by Jake Meyer. All agreed. Motion carried.

Zoning Officer – Robin Royer
- 124 Dove Rd – Robin stated the first 50 feet are paved.
- 200 Dove Rd – Robin Royer asked Pete Davis and Mike Graby if there are any issues. They stated not at this time.
- 8391 Old Route 22 – Robin Royer stated there are still logs on the property, she was told they are for firewood to be burned. Robin Royer also stated she received a call concerning weekend employee still operating business. She contacted Mr. Strauser and was told the truck is leased on the weekends.

Board of Supervisors suspended their meeting at 7:45 pm
Board reconvened at 8:25 pm

Actions form Planning Commission
Mike Graby made a motion to approve all Planning Commission’s recommended extensions, seconded by Jake Meyer. All agreed. Motion carried.

Public Comment
Larry Schmehl stated the microphones need to be used. Perhaps they need to purchase four more so everyone has one.
Larry Schmehl stated the trash at Samsung is out of control again. A board member should visit again.
Larry Schmehl stated Daub Road should be brought up to Penn DOT specs by the developer, additionally he believes if they need to put in improvements it could keep developers from coming to
Bethel Township. Farm land would then be preserved. He also commented about the Musselman plan, removing from IC.

Larry Schmehl stated Blue Mountain Truck and Trailer is a mess and doesn’t appear to be improving. Wetland abuse is still happening.

Steve Burkhart restated his thoughts on preserving farm land and not allow the Daub Road project.

**Adjourn**

A motion was made by Mike Graby, seconded by Jake Meyer to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Jayne K Seifrit, Secretary Treasurer