

MINUTES OF MEETING OF TOWNSHIP OF PINE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Monday, January 5, 2015

Pine Community Center

REGULAR MEETING

This meeting of the Township of Pine Board of Supervisors was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mr. Dennehy.

Members in attendance were: Michael J. Dennehy, Chair; Philip D. Henry, Vice-Chair; Pat Avolio, Edward J. Holdcroft, and Frank J. Spagnolo. Also in attendance were: Gary J. Gushard, Solicitor; Scott D. Anderson, Township Manager; Amy Pampiks, Administrative Operations & Human Resources Manager; Larry Kurpakus, Director of Code Administration and Land Development; Joni K. Patsko, Director of Parks and Recreation; Jan Kowalski, Financial Administrator & Business Tax Collector; and Tony Barbarino, Director of Public Works.

There were approximately 15 visitors present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF 2015

Motion was made by Mr. Spagnolo and seconded by Mr. Holdcroft to Appoint Michael Dennehy as Chair of the Board of Supervisors for 2015, to Appoint Phil Henry as Vice-Chair of the Board of Supervisors for 2015, and to appoint Scott Anderson as Township Manager for 2015. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Spagnolo to appoint the following individuals/firms for 2015:

- Township Solicitor
Gary Gushard, Tucker Arensberg P.C.
- Township Engineer
Lennon, Smith, Souleret Engineering, Inc. – General Engineering.
Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc. – Transportation Engineering.
K.L.H. Engineers – Consulting Engineering.
- Emergency Management Coordinator
Scott D. Anderson

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Spagnolo and seconded by Mr. Henry to appoint the Supervisors to serve on the following committees:

- Supervisor Members to the Northern Regional Police Department.
Michael Dennehy, Philip Henry, and Frank Spagnolo with Edward Holdcroft and Pat Avolio as alternates.
- Supervisor Representative to the North Hills Council of Governments
Frank Spagnolo representative and Pat Avolio as alternate.
- Supervisor Liaison to the Wexford Volunteer Fire Company
Pat Avolio and Edward Holdcroft representatives.

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- Supervisor Liaison to the Pine-Richland School District.
Philip Henry liaison and Pat Avolio as alternate.
- Supervisor Representative to the Police Pension Trust Committee
Michael Dennehy representative and Pat Avolio as alternate.
- Supervisor Representatives to PENNDOT
Edward Holdcroft and Frank Spagnolo representatives.
- Supervisor Representative to the McCandless Industrial Development
Pat Avolio representative.
- Supervisor Representative to the North Pittsburgh Community Development Corporation
Michael Dennehy representative and Frank Spagnolo as alternate.
- Chief Administrative Officer of the Township Non-Uniform Pension Plan
Pat Avolio Chief Administrative Officer and Michael Dennehy as alternate.
- Supervisor Representative to Friends of Pine Community Parks
Edward Holdcroft and Pat Avolio representatives.
- Two Supervisor Representatives to the Audit Committee.
Michael Dennehy and Pat Avolio representatives.
- Supervisor Representative to the Allegheny County Association of Township Officials
Michael Dennehy as Director to the ACATO Board and Phil Henry as alternate.

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Spagnolo to appoint the following to serve on the following Boards, Commissions, and Councils:

- Zoning Hearing Board
Michael Pfeifer for a three-year term to expire December 31, 2017.
- Planning Commission
*Mike Hansen, Joel Dennison, John Lombardo, Renee Evans
for three-year terms to expire December 31, 2017.*
- Environmental Advisory Council
*Bill Campbell, David Chavara
for three-year terms to expire December 31, 2017.*
- Park & Recreation Commission
*John Gill, Richard Miller, Don Keys
for three-year terms to expire December 31, 2017.*

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

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RESOLUTION 912

Motion was made by Mr. Spagnolo and seconded by Mr. Henry to enact Resolution 912, appointing certain persons and/or firms or entities to various Township positions and making certain professional appointments for the Township of Pine and setting the official holidays to be observed by the Township of Pine for calendar year 2015. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 913

Motion was made by Mr. Spagnolo and seconded by Mr. Avolio to enact Resolution 913, establishing dates, times, and location of the regular meetings of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Pine for calendar year 2015. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE TO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Mr. Anderson reported there was no correspondence other than that included in the meeting information.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no requests to address the Board of Supervisors at this time.

BUSINESS MEETING

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Mr. Holdcroft and seconded by Mr. Spagnolo to approve the minutes of the Business Meeting of December 1, 2014. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT - November 2014

Motion was made by Mr. Avolio and seconded by Mr. Holdcroft to accept the Financial Report for the month of November 2014 and ratify the payment of bills to those vendors listed thereon. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MARRA SUBDIVISION

Mr. Kurpakus reported that Ampleton Group, L.P. is proposing a 17 lot residential subdivision on property located between the Cloverdale and Tanglewood Plans. The developer has shown access from Cloverdale Court in Cloverdale Estates and Miller Drive in Tanglewood. The plan as submitted complies with Township Code with exception to the waivers requested and the minor outstanding items noted on the LSSE review letter dated 11/24/14. The Planning Commission recommended approval of this plan on September 8, 2014.

Mr. Kurpakus added that the Township's environmental advisory council (EAC) recommended the developer to provide payment in lieu of tree planting, and the Parks and Recreation Commission recommended approval of a payment in lieu of recreation facilities within the plan.

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Mr. Kurpakus also reported that a review of Marrwood Drive, a private road, was completed by the Township traffic engineer. The review states that the existing conditions and site distances cannot meet Township or Penn DOT standards for a public road. Marrwood is an existing private road. Therefore, no access to the development is proposed from Marrwood Drive.

Steven Victor of Victor-Wetzel Associates stated that subdivision plans were updated to meet all requirements. The plans have been reviewed and recommended by the Planning Commission. Victor-Wetzel seeking the Board's approval for their clients.

Mr. Spagnolo asked if stormwater runoff had been adequately considered.

Mr. Victor stated that Lots 1-6 have individual stormwater sumps in the rear yard and the remainder of the homes will have piping conveyed to the detention pond.

Mr. Avolio asked if public water and/or well protection have been provided for Monte Meyer.

Mr. Victor affirmed that public water access will be available for the Meyer property. He also stated that at this time Mr. Meyer is not sure if he wants to connect to the water.

Mr. Avolio requested that a provision addressing the public water access to the Meyer property be incorporated into the developer's agreement. Mr. Victor asked that the provision for water testing be waived if Mr. Meyer decides to tap into the water.

Mr. Avolio asked if driveway relocation and pavement was included for Mr. Meyer's property. Mr. Victor stated that it is in the agreement with Mr. Meyer.

Mr. Spagnolo asked if the new fire truck would be able to navigate the cul-de-sac. Mr. Kurpakus stated that it does and that that was confirmed with Mr. Flaherty the Fire Chief.

Robert Hutchinson of 150 Tanglewood Drive, representing the Tanglewood Estates HOA, stated that there are still concerns for the children's safety due to the additional traffic. He also explained that the Cloverdale and Tanglewood communities were working together on a single access, but due to the Board of Supervisors challenges, Mr. Wetzel, went back to planning the connection to both developments. The residents of Tanglewood have declined easements and the park enhancements.

Mr. Hutchinson asked if Mr. Kurpakus spoke with PennDot. Mr. Kurpakus stated that a review was done by the Township traffic engineer and they use the standard established by Penn DOT; therefore, the result would not change.

Mr. Hutchinson requested that Mr. Kurpakus still speak with Penn DOT to view the site.

Mr. Hutchinson stated that his property overlooks a detention pond. If another pond is installed as proposed, he believes that it will reduce his property value. The developer is putting trees on Tanglewoods' property and the pond should be moved further onto the Marra property for maintenance by that community.

Mr. Hutchinson stated that another concern is construction traffic. He asked how the heavy equipment will be brought onsite. Mr. Victor stated that during the first phase of initial construction Marrwood Drive could be used. If approved by PennDot with flaggers present.

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Travis Coulter of 539 Cloverdale Court, representing Cloverdale Estates, asked if the Board was aware that Mr. Hansen & Mr. Welter from the Planning Commission voted against this plan. He wanted to know if the Board was interested in the reasons why they voted nay.

Mr. Gushard, the Township's Solicitor, stated that Marra Subdivision plan recommended for approval with a majority of the Planning Commission voting yes. The Board relies on their expertise and recommendations.

Mr. Coulter stated that was a fair answer. He also stated that both Tanglewood Estates and Cloverdale Estates were in agreement with a single entrance plan and wanted to know why this option wasn't pursued.

Mr. Spagnolo stated that the vision for that property was formulated with the prior Board. The current Board is to see it through to development. He also stated that the connections work and are there for a reason.

Mr. Gushard reiterated that all plans are reviewed by the Planning Commission and they make their recommendations to the Board based on compliance with the adopted codes and ordinances.

Mr. Avolio confirmed that the previous listed items of concern have been addressed by Victor-Wetzel and the Planning Commission and now meet all ordinances.

Mr. Coulter asked again about construction traffic and how construction vehicles are going to enter the property.

Mr. Victor said that Marrwood Drive would be used initially with a flagman present.

Mr. Avolio noted that the use of Marrwood Drive should be incorporated into the developer's agreement.

Don Lovre of 509 Cloverdale Court, said he would like to see Marrwood Drive used throughout the entire construction of the plan. Mr. Hutchinson from Tanglewood Estates agreed.

Mr. Hutchinson stated he would like to see the current plan that shows where the trees will be located. Mr. Victor explained the tree location.

Mr. Spagnolo asked if the pond encroaches on the Tanglewood property and if it can be moved away.

Mr. Victor said that the existing slope will be utilized. Mr. Victor stated that the contractor can work on the slope inside the Marra property and if Tanglewood Estate allows an easement the buffering can be relocated then planting can occur on the upper slope. If that is agreeable to all, it can be added.

Gary Campbell of 131 Tanglewood Drive asked for someone to clarify if the connectivity is a vision of the prior Board or a safety issue.

Mr. Avolio stated that it is required by code, based on the fact that initially more lots were allowed based on connectivity. The Board has no grounds to deny a development if code is met.

Mr. Avolio summarized additional conditions to be incorporated into the approval.

Mr. Gushard asked Mr. Victor if he was in agreement with all added conditions. Mr. Victor stated that he was in agreement with all added conditions.

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Motion was made by Mr. Avolio and seconded by Mr. Holdcroft to grant preliminary and final approval of the Marra Property Subdivision Plan sheets 1, 2, 3, 6, 13 and 14 of 17 dated 6/19/14, revised on 11/14/14 and prepared by Victor-Wetzel Associates; sheets 4, 5, 7, 8, 11 and 12 of 17 dated 6/19/14, revised on 11/14/14 and prepared by Tait Engineering, Inc.; sheets 9A and 9B of 17 dated 6/18/14 and prepared by Tait Engineering, Inc.; sheet 10 of 17 dated 6/19/14, revised on 8/29/14 and prepared by Tait Engineering, Inc.; and sheets 15, 16 and 17 of 17 dated 6/18/14 and prepared by Tait Engineering, Inc. conditioned on the Planning Commission recommendations of December 8, 2014 including the granting of the applicable waivers summarized in the developer's correspondence dated November 14, 2014 and the following additional conditions:

1. Heavy equipment access for the initial plan development to be from Marrwood Drive.
2. Detention pond slope to be modified to provide buffer planting area between Marra property and Tanglewood open space.
3. Conservation Easements to be provided on lot # 15 & 16.
4. Well protection for Monte property to be provided in the developer's agreement.
5. Construction access for home building to be specified in the developer's agreement.

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

PINE PARK IMPROVEMENT CONTRACT FOR PAVING OF ACCESSIBLE WALKWAYS

Ms. Patsko stated that the bids are for Park improvement projects and funded in part by a DCNR Grant. Ms. Patsko stated that she would like to reject the paving bid at this time due to the bids received being higher than estimated.

Motion was made by Mr. Spagnolo and seconded by Mr. Henry to reject all bids received for the Paving of Accessible Walkways. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

PINE PARK IMPROVEMENT CONTRACT FOR FENCE AND BACKSTOP REPLACEMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Spagnolo and seconded by Mr. Holdcroft to award the Contract for Fence and Backstop Replacement to Redrock Fence, Inc. in the amount of \$29,469. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

PINE PARK IMPROVEMENT CONTRACT FOR PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Spagnolo and seconded by Mr. Holdcroft to award the Contract for Playground Equipment to Snider Recreation, Inc. in the amount of \$90,599. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

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ENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH MAHER DUSSEL

Mr. Anderson reported that the existing server is outdated and an update is needed for both working and security purposes.

Motion was made by Mr. Spagnolo and seconded by Mr. Avolio to execute the engagement agreement with Maher Dussel for labor and installation and purchase from PA Co-Stars hardware and software for a new Township Server in the amount of \$27,035.22. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

MTSA ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Avolio and seconded by Mr. Holdcroft to grant authorization to sign the MTSA Assignment and Assumption Agreement. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous Mr. Spagnolo abstained. Motion carried.

ADVERTISE HIRING OF LABORER FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Mr. Barbarino stated that as the Township is adopting responsibility for more Township roads, response times are slower, and is therefore requesting permission to advertise for an additional full time public works employee.

Motion was made by Mr. Spagnolo and seconded by Mr. Holdcroft to authorize advertisement for the hiring of a laborer in the Public Works Department. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

PURCHASE OF TAILGATE SPREADER

Motion was made by Mr. Spagnolo and seconded by Mr. Henry to authorize the purchase of a tailgate spreader for truck #79 from A&H Equipment in the amount of \$3,200. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion Carried.

PURCHASE OF DUMP BODY AND ANCILLARY EQUIPMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Spagnolo and seconded by Mr. Avolio to authorize the purchase of the dump body and ancillary equipment from A&H Equipment in the amount of \$28,992 through PA Co-Stars Contract #025-044. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

PURCHASE OF FORD F-550 CAB AND CHASSIS

Mr. Barbarino noted that this truck would replace the truck that was recently sold.

Motion was made by Mr. Spagnolo and seconded by Mr. Holdcroft to authorize the purchase of the Ford F-550 cab and chassis from Bairel Ford in the amount of \$43,445 through Co-Stars Contract #025-125. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

ADVERTISE WIND TURBINE

Motion was made by Mr. Spagnolo and seconded by Mr. Henry to re-list the Wind Turbine on govdeals.com. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

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ALLEGHENY COUNTY BOROUGH ASSOCIATION BANQUET

Motion was made by Mr. Holdcroft and seconded by Mr. Spagnolo to authorize Supervisors to attend the Allegheny County Boroughs Association Banquet, February 1, 2015. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

ALLEGHENY LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES CONFERENCE

Motion was made by Mr. Spagnolo and seconded by Mr. Holdcroft to authorize Supervisors to attend the Allegheny League of Municipalities Conference, April 9-12, 2015. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 914

Motion was made by Mr. Avolio and seconded by Mr. Spagnolo to adopt Resolution 914 regarding Act 44 Pension Professional Services Policy. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

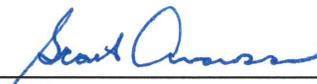
ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Spagnolo and seconded by Mr. Avolio to adjourn. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.



Recording Secretary



Township Manager