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**SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**APRIL 4, 2023**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Present:** Supervisors Tim Stiffy, Marcus Kohan and Joe Mattace. Also present Jim Naret (Gateway Engineers), Road Foreman Jim Knight and Township Administrator Lucinda G. Lipko.

**Also Present:** Bill Finley Jr. (Commissioner candidate), Bob Greene, Daniel Hutchins, Micha Swartz, Pete Dickson, James Kyle, and Cameron Hutchins.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Tim Stiffy, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Agenda Additions or Deletions:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**Fire Department:**

Chief Hutchins reported a total of 22 calls for the month of March with 140 man hours and 149 hours of training with an average of 7 personnel per call. Quarterly they have responded to 65 total calls, 308 hours of training and 471 man hours.

The engine truck dropped a low pressure fuel pump which will be repaired.

Micha Swartz reported they met with BearCom to discuss their early warning system. There would be one tone for fire and one tone for weather warnings. They are reviewing the area to find the best placement of the sirens.

Jim Knight was also thanked for his help the past two weekends with the storms that came through the township.

**Administration and Finance:**

A motion was made by Marcus Kohan to waive the Springfield Township Capacity Fee when connecting into an existing sewer lateral in the amount of $ 2,000.00. Seconded by Joe Mattace, motion carried.

A motion was made by Joe Mattace to approve the Final Consolidation and Subdivision Application submitted by Tim Stiffy, conditioned upon the recommended administrative or third-party permits. The application proposes the consolidation of adjoining Tax Parcels 29-216-158 (20.73 acres) and 29-216-159 (20.29 acres) and then subdivide the property into the following five lots: Lot A (9.98 acres), Lot B (8.53 acres) Lot C (2.00 acres), Lot D (9.51 acres) and Lot E (10.99 acres) contingent upon the review letter from Gateway Engineers dated March 6, 2023. Seconded by Marcus Kohan, motion carried with Tim Stiffy abstaining.

A motion was made by Marcus Kohan to approve Resolution # 11- 2023 – Adopting the Mercer County 2023 Hazard Mitigation Plan. Seconded by Joe Mattace, motion carried.

A motion was made by Joe Mattace to approve Resolution # 12- 2023 – Intermunicipal Agreement with Wilmington Township. Seconded by Marcus Kohan, motion carried.

A motion was made by Joe Mattace to approve the Indian Run Road Project. Seconded by Marcus Kohan. After discussion, a motion was made by Joe Mattace to table the motion until we have the cost. Seconded by Marcus Kohan, motion carried.

A motion was made by Joe Mattace to approve the 2023 paving of Lee Road, School Road and Veterans Road. Seconded by Marcus Kohan. After discussion concerning the money available in the 2023 budgets, a motion was made by Joe Mattace to approve the 2023 paving of Lee Road. Seconded by Marcus Kohan, motion carried.

**Discussion items:**

The Supervisors discussed the list of proposed resolutions that will be voted on at the annual PSATS Conference in April in Hershey, PA. Supervisor Stiffy request the other Supervisors review the remaining resolutions and let him know if they have any comments.

**Zoning and Land Development:**

In March there were 2 building permits, 2 occupancy permits, and 1 zoning permit issued.

**Sewer and Water:** Jim Knight had nothing to report.

**Roads and Bridges:** Jim Knight had nothing to report.

**Engineer’s Report:**

Jim Naret reported the following:

* The Stiffy Consolidation and Subdivision Plan was recommended for approval at the March Planning Commission Meeting.
* Has had no communication from Paul Chiappetta from PennDOT on the status of the property acquisitions that were mailed out.
* Gateway had intended to submit the 90% construction documents to the Conversation District last week but Shawn Hedglin continues to have comment revisions. They had a conference call this week and hope to resubmit the plans by the end of this week. Shawn continues to have more questions each time the plan is submitted and is putting the township overbudget. The Supervisors want him to be invited to the next meeting if he comes back with more questions after this latest resubmission.
* Jim Naret will contact Jim Knight about setting up a meeting next week for the ARLE Grant funding the township received.

**Public Works Report:**

Jim Knight reported that they have been working on the damage created by the recent storms and fill the generators every 5 hours to keep the traffic lights working. The lift station has not had any problems. He was just notified that Pine Road should reopen by midnight on April 6th.

**Reports:**

Supervisor Kohan reported they are close to completing the agreement with Superior Ambulance. A few changes to the agreement needed to be removed because they are against business law.

**Correspondence:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**Executive Session:** None

**Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Marcus Kohan to adjourn. Seconded by Joe Mattace, motion carried.

The Springfield Township Board of Supervisors Meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

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Lucinda G. Lipko

Secretary