

**LOWHILL TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
FEBRUARY 7, 2019  
AGENDA**

The Lowhill Township Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Chairman Richard Hughes. Also present were, Vice Chairman George Wessner, Jr.; Robb Werley, Member; Ryan Christman, Engineer; Brian Carl, Administrator; Keith Strohl, Esq., Solicitor and Secretary Jill Seymour.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Robb Werley made a motion to approve the Reorganization Meeting minutes, as written. George Wessner, Jr. seconded the motion. George Wessner, Jr. made a motion to approve the January 7, 2019 meeting minutes, as written. Robb Werley seconded the motion. Robb Werley made a motion to approve the Auditors minutes. Seconded by George Wessner, Jr. Richard Hughes made a motion to pay the monthly bills, as submitted. Robb Werley seconded the motion. All motions carried.

Richard Hughes made a motion to review the final plan for the East Penn Self Storage land development, final plan dated 10/29/2018 (3178 Route 100). George Wessner, Jr. seconded the motion. Ryan Christman: Applicant has addressed all issues. Leroy Sorenson noted that building D & E will be built during phase 2. Richard Hughes made a motion to approve the final plan for the East Penn Self Storage. Robb Werley seconded the motion. George Wessner, Jr. abstained due to business relationship with the owner. Liberty will coordinate with Brian to get the Planning Commission and the Board to sign the plans.

Robb Werley made a motion to review the sketch plan for Richard & Kristen Stuby dated 1/14/2019 (6476 Warden Road). George Wessner, Jr. seconded the motion. The Stuby's live on lot 2, lot 1a is a 10-acre tract. The end result would be 10.66-acre tract. Planning would like a larger right of way along Warden and Wieand Court. Brian Carl: They would be starting fresh, not from 1995 when this was originally divided. 25' dedication will be shown on the new plan. The easement is good. Would need a 50' cul-de-sac. Mr. Stuby is concerned if the cul-de-sac is too large that it may become a nuisance area with fisherman, etc. taking over. He would like to come to an agreement on the possibility of a smaller cul-de-sac. He is requesting a waiver on the right away as well. Richard Hughes would like to stick with the Saldo. Ryan Christman said a 40' cul-de-sac without parking or a 50' cul-de-sac with parking. Larry Dorsch of the Planning Commission said the road will never go anywhere. Wanted to know if the Township plows. Joe Kalusky said the Township does plow. Larry then asked if the Township would like to abandon the road. Brian Carl said we are not interested in abandoning the road. Ryan Christman: The offset pins on the plan are good, they are offset from the Jordan. Robb Werley made a motion to approve the sketch plan and move right to final. Richard Hughes seconded the motion.

Richard Hughes made a motion to review the Dean & Diane Schaller sketch plan dated 1/12/2019 (3716 Pine Tree Road). Robb Werley seconded the motion. Ryan Christman and Brian Carl had no comments. All is in compliance. Richard Hughes made a motion to approve the sketch plan and move right to final. Robb Werley seconded the motion.

Richard Hughes called a recess for an executive session at 7:55 pm. Richard Hughes called the meeting back to order at 8:10 pm and stated the executive session was to discuss legal litigation.

Richard Hughes made a motion to sign the fee agreement for Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams. George Wessner, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ryan Christman: Cottage Gates, lot line was submitted. There are E & S issues and violations. Brian Carl does not believe any of the issues have been rectified. George Wessner, Jr. said those are county issues, let them handle it, the Township has nothing to do with it. Cottage Gates has asked for an escrow release for the amended soil. Brian and Ryan both approve this release. Richard Hughes made a motion to release \$13,686.72 from the Cottage Gates letter of credit. Robb Werley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ryan Christman will fill out a letter of intent for the Hazard Mitigation Funding. There is a very slim chance we will get anything, but Narris Road might be eligible. Scour repairs are not eligible.

Brian Carl gave the results of the Zoning Hearing as follows:

Moyer banquet/wedding venue in barn was approved 2-1 for 15 events max per month. 10:30 pm curfew, maximum occupancy of 125 guests. The trucking business would need to stop as soon as the building is ready for events. The neighbors were supportive of the proposed use and the Board felt it would be better to have a use like this vs. one with heavy trucks and equipment over the bridge. It will still require land development and building permits.

Adams Outdoor Advertising was denied 3-0. The board decided that the Zoning Ordinance & Comp plan is valid.

KOA Campground additional house for daughter of the owner/campsite manager was approved 3-0, but the house must always be part of the camp site, occupied by manager or family member working at the site and cannot be rented out. This will still require a driveway waiver and septic testing.

Brian submitted for the LVPC funding, route 100 & Bittners Corner Road, Claussville Road, Narris Road and Bear Bridge.

Windy Road and Integrity Auto are still in enforcement. Box alarms are being updated. Lowhill is in Germansville's jurisdiction, they determine what equipment is sent on a call, etc. Brian recommends having a workshop with all 6

fire companies. Make sure all run orders are done, etc. Brian can also reach out to the other fire departments and get it taken care of for us, he has to do Weisenberg as well. The Board would like Brian to handle.

Joe Kalusky: January: 12 days of winter maintenance, repair salt spreader and had some warranty work done. Maintenance on the vehicles, painted the men's room and got safety equipment for tree trimming. February: Winter maintenance, tree trim and paint the ladies room.

Richard Hughes: All information on the Ontelaunee Park Veteran's Memorial will be put on our website.

Vanessa Fenstamacher was present to discuss Rhueton Hill Road. She lives on Whitetail Court. She is concerned about the curves on Rhueton Hill Road. In 2015 George Wessner, Jr. and Joe Kalusky looked into the issue. It was determined a guide rail was not needed. She asked what our guide lines are for guide rail. It was said that we do not have specific guide lines, PennDot is a 4' drop, among other things on a case to case basis. Richard Hughes said that we have no guidelines. George Wessner, Jr. responded with we have no money to put \$100,000 guide rail up. Vanessa asked if we could get PennDot to put cable wire up. George Wessner, Jr. said that PennDot will not do it, grants are extremely hard to get, as we are trying to get one for our failing bridges and roads. Brian Carl: There is no crash history on this road, also it has a very low traffic volume. The Board thanked Ms. Fenstamacher for coming.

Spring Clean-up will be held at the Township Building on Saturday April 13, 2019 from 8 am to noon.

The Board is looking into having safety training for the road crew. Joe and Jill will work with the other Township's and see if they are interested in attending. This will be held at Lowhill Township.

Richard Hughes made a motion to adopt resolution 2019-1, Inspection and User Fees. George Wessner, Jr. seconded the motion.

Richard Hughes opened the floor for public comment. Larry Dorsch wanted to compliment the road crew for outstanding snow and ice removal.

Jan Suddermeister was present to let the Board know they are moving forward with the pool plans; they now have a committee. She asked if we know of anyone in the township that has pervious pavers installed. The Board could not think of anyone at this time. She believes that the onsite sewage will take 6000 gallons per day. George Wessner, Jr. said it would have to be huge to handle that amount and she would be better off coming out to 309 and hooking up to the County lines. She was already informed they cannot hook up to the school. George Wessner, Jr. then recommended she speak to Scott Beiber and Chris Noll.

**Robb Werley made a motion to adjourn. Richard Hughes seconded.**

**The Lowhill Township Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**