

**LOWHILL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MARCH 7, 2019
MEETING MINUTES**

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

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

Dean & Diane Schaller: Lot line adjustment: Final plan dated February 11, 2019 (3716 Pine Tree Rd). Robb Werley made a motion to accept the final plan for review. George Wessner, Jr. seconded the motion. Ryan Christman: Final was submitted to include all recommendations. Lehigh Valley Planning Commission still needs to send a letter and the \$1500 recreation fee needs to be paid. Brian Carl: All is good on his end. Richard Hughes made a motion to approve the final plan, contingent upon the letter from the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission and the \$1500 recreation fee paid. Robb Werley seconded the motion.

Richard & Kristin Stuby: Lot line adjustment: Final Plan dated February 11, 2019 (6476 Warden Road). George Wessner, Jr. made a motion to accept the final plan for review. Robb Werley seconded the motion. Ryan Christman: Two waivers have been requested, planning approves of the waivers. All of his recommendations have been addressed. Richard Hughes made a motion to approve the waivers for contours at vertical intervals not greater than 5 feet and show building setbacks or front yard lines. Robb Werley seconded the motion. Motion carried. George Wessner, Jr. made a motion to approve the final plan. Robb Werley seconded the motion.

Solicitor comments: None.

Engineer Comments: Ryan Christman: Nothing has been heard of on the Bear Road Bridge. Robb Werley stated that we put a request in to the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission for long term assistance. He would like to know if there are any other grants, etc. that we could try to secure. Ryan Christman spoke with FEMA about this and Narris Road. It doesn't look as good as it originally did in the beginning. The majority of the money will go to flood damaged areas. Ryan will submit an application. George Wessner, Jr.: This is an erosion issue. Can we contact the county for help? Brian Carl will contact Bill McFadden from dirt and gravel and check if there is a program available to assist us with getting Narris

Road repaired. We have 8 years to replace Bear Road Bridge, however, we must do the scour job to keep the integrity of the bridge intact until we have a final plan for replacement. George Wessner, Jr. suggested we contact Gary Day's office and find out if there is any help available for the bridge. Brian Carl will contact Gary's office.

Cottage Gates: Nothing has been heard yet. There is a hold on building permits. Conservation wants permits for each lot.

Windy Road Cars: There are 6 cars back on the property again. Brian Carl will take a ride over and do a drive by to confirm the cars are still there and contact the owner to remove them. The Board agreed to postpone the hearing for 6 months.

Lehigh Valley Planning Commission funding: Brian hasn't heard anything lately, could hear as soon as April.

Integrity Auto: Brian will stop in tomorrow to count cars. It looks like there is more than the 29 cars that are allowed on the lot. The hearing is scheduled for March 20, 2019.

Joe Kalusky: February there was 17 days of weather related maintenance, they widened roads, repaired the salt spreaders, did maintenance on vehicles, got the tree trimming basket ready to use and started working on the ladies' room. March they will perform winter maintenance, trim trees, recycle and tiger mow.

Kristofik: still in a holding pattern. The tenant is now attending county meetings saying the house needs repairs. It's in need of a holding intervention. Lowhill has a lien on this property. The tenant is squatting and the owner can't get her out. This will come off of the agenda until Brian has some type of update.

Wassum: Went to court, the Township was awarded judgement. Mr. Wassum has 60 days to obtain a permit, tear out the concrete driveway and replace it with black top.

Warden Road: A pipe rotted through and caused a sink hole. The road is closed at this time. Ryan Christman got us a permit to repair the road. It is good for 120 days. We will replace the pipe as soon as the weather breaks.

NYAA walking trail: Brian Carl said they received \$60,000 from the DCED and \$20,000 from Nestle Waters to fund the walking trail. Richard Hughes is on the Recreation Commission Board; they are looking at getting the foreman from each Township to work together to install the walking trail. We need to help out in some way, as this benefits our residents as well as the other Township's. There is a walk around scheduled for March 16th. Jill will advertise as a special meeting so the Supervisors can attend this walk around and gather more information on what

they would need from each Township. This will be on March 16 @ 8 am. The Townships can dig out and then the commission can hire someone to do the paving.

Richard Hughes opened the floor for public comment. Jan Suddermeister was present to give an update on the status of the community pool. There is a meeting on March 15 to obtain their nonprofit status, this will then allow them to collect donations. Northwestern Swim and Fitness is what they would like to call this project. She is not sure of the exact size of the pool yet, they are looking at possibly 8 lanes in the competition pool and also having a warm water exercise pool along with exercise rooms. This would be situated on 13 acres of land located behind the Northwestern Lehigh School.

Brian Carl: There was a Zoning Hearing Board meeting in February and there was a variance issued for a swimming pool on Aspen Court. 40' was required, they could only come up with 32' and the variance was given.

Jill Seymour reminded everyone that Spring Clean-up will be held on Saturday April 13, 2019 from 8 am to noon at the Township building.

Richard Hughes mentioned that the information for the Veterans Memorial at Ontelaunee Park is all on the website.

George Wessner, Jr. said that resident Willard Kressley asked about the old Strohl property on route 100. He would like it cleaned up. Brian Carl said that there is a permit issued for a modular to be built on the property.

Robb Werley made a motion to adjourn. George Wessner, Jr. seconded.

The Lowhill Township Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,