

SKIPPACK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

October 6, 2021

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Franco D'Angelo-Chairman	Present
Paul Fox-Vice Chair	Present
Jeanene Michener	Absent
Nicholas Fountain	Present

TOWNSHIP STAFF

Christopher Heleniak, Manager	Present
Barry Miller, Esq.	Present
Joseph Zadlo, AICP	Absent
Tim Woodrow, PE	Present
Joseph Clement, Esq.	Present

7:30 PM

I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. D'Angelo announced that the prior to the meeting the Board met in Executive Session to discuss potential litigation and personnel matters.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A.** Clint Buckwalter - Creamery Road - Thanked the PW Dept for fixing the fence next to his property. Questioned if a dog park could be added to the park and if a crosswalk could be added at entrance. Questioned if the culvert on Rt. 113 could be cleaned.
- B.** Karen Lynch - Serenity Street - Asked about the virtual option for meetings. Mr. Heleniak stated he is waiting on a new laptop to be able begin streaming the meetings again.
- C.** Cindi Veverka- Landis Rd - Thanked the Board for fixing the roads. Questioned the airport and Gypsy Rose. Mr. Heleniak gave an update on the airport application. Mr. D'Angelo stated Mr. Heleniak is meeting with Mr. Markel's people this week to get an update on the Gypsy Rose property.
- D.** Tanya Katueusz- Landis Road - Stated this is her first meeting and that she is high risk and requested the video taping of the meetings. Mr. Heleniak stated that once the laptop is received, we should be able to start streaming the meetings. Mr. Clement stated that the bigger townships received money from cable providers to fund TV channels in the past. He further stated the pandemic changed some rules for meetings, however those are no longer in place and that Mr. Heleniak is working on getting the technology in place. Stated that the storm drain in front of her property was backing up during the storm. Mr. D'Angelo asked Mr. Heleniak to have the drain checked and that stormwater runoff will be addressed as part of the review process for the airport.

III. APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 MINUTES

MOTION MADE BY MR. FOUNTAIN TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 MINUTES.
MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOX. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

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IV. CORRESPONDENCE

V. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

A. Treasurer's Report as of September 30 , 2021

MOTION MADE BY MR. FOUNTAIN TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2021. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOX. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

B. Interim Bills Paid on September 25, 2021

General Fund	= \$ 46,924.15
Sewer Fund	= \$ 514.13
Parks/Open Space	= \$ 21,697.46

MOTION MADE BY MR. D'ANGELO TO APPROVE THE INTERIM BILLS PAID ON SEPTEMBER 25, 2021. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOX. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Bills for Payment on October 6, 2021

General Fund	= \$ 20,996.66
Sewer Fund	= \$ 111,609.31
Parks/Open Space	= \$ 543.68

MOTION MADE BY MR. D'ANGELO TO APPROVE THE BILLS FOR PAYMENT ON OCTOBER 6, 2021. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOX. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

VI. REPORTS

A. Engineer

1. Fair Hills Community – Sewer Lateral Repair Project – Change Order #4

MOTION MADE BY MR. FOX TO APPROVE THE FAIR HILLS COMMUNITY – SEWER LATERAL REPAIR PROJECT – CHANGE ORDER #4 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,210.00. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOUNTAIN. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

2. Fair Hills Community – Sewer Lateral Repair Project – Payment Request #4

MOTION MADE BY MR. D'ANGELO TO APPROVE THE FAIR HILLS COMMUNITY – SEWER LATERAL REPAIR PROJECT – PAYMENT REQUEST #4 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$102,232.02. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOUNTAIN. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

3. Fair Hills Community Paving Project Update

Mr. Woodrow gave an update on the paving project. He stated that the curb ramp and extra drainage work will begin next week and that the Township hopes to begin paving by the end of the month.

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4. Palmer Park Tennis & Pickleball Court Project – Payment Request

MOTION MADE BY MR. FOUNTAIN TO APPROVE THE PALMER PARK TENNIS & PICKLEBALL COURT PROJECT – PAYMENT REQUEST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$222,870.00. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOX. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

B. Solicitor

1. Authorization to Advertise Zoning Ordinance Cleanup Ordinance

MOTION MADE BY MR. FOX TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT OF A ZONING ORDINANCE CLEANUP ORDINANCE. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOUNTAIN. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

C. Planner

1. Lenape Park Observation Update

Mr. Woodrow gave an update on Lenape Park on Mr. Zadlo's behalf. He stated that there is still a few minor items to be completed including some additional paving work at the entrance off Skippack Pike and a few repairs to the pavilion from Hurricane Ida. He stated that the observation deck at the top of the hill is now completed and is a great location to look down at the valley and creek below. He also gave an update on the stepping stone project and stated the planning with the Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy has commenced and we hope to construct the stones in 2022.

D. Manager

1. Hurricane Ida

Mr. Heleniak gave an update on the recovery efforts. He stated that a major federal disaster has been declared for Montgomery County and that federal resources are now available for residents and business impacted by the flooding. He shared the resources that are currently available to residents and where they can find additional information and resources through Montgomery County and FEMA.

2. Authorization to Seek Bids for the 2021-2022 Snow and Ice Removal Contract

MOTION MADE BY MR. FOX TO AUTHORIZE SEEKING BIDS FOR THE 2021-2022 SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL CONTRACT. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOUNTAIN. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

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3. Authorization to Advertise Budget Workshop – 7:00 PM, November 10, 2021

MOTION MADE BY MR. D'ANGELO TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISE THE BUDGET WORKSHOP – 7:00 PM, NOVEMBER 10, 2021. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOUNTAIN. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider Appointment to Fill Vacancy on Board of Supervisors

Mr. Clement discussed the process for filling a vacancy on the Board of Supervisors. He called for nominations for the position of Supervisor and turned it over to Mr. D'Angelo.

MOTION MADE BY MR. D'ANGELO TO NOMINATE BENJAMIN WEBB TO FILL THE VACANT POSITION ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MR. D'ANGELO GAVE AN OVERVIEW OF MR. WEBB'S COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, INCLUDING HIS SERVICE TO THE PARK AND RECREATION BOARD AND THE SKIPPACK HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

MOTION MADE BY MR. FOX TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS FOR THE VACANT POSITION ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOUNTAIN. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY MR. D'ANGELO TO APPOINT MR. BENJAMIN WEBB TO FILL THE VACANT POSITION ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MOTION SECONDED BY MR. FOX. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Webb took the oath of office before a notary public.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 P.M.