**West Penn Township Board of Supervisors**

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**Regular 9AM Monthly Meeting**

**Monday, February 18, 2019**

**Present at the Meeting**

**Tony Prudenti – Chairman Katie Orlick – Secretary**

**Tim Houser – Vice-Chairman Paul Datte – Solicitor**

**Ted Bogosh III – Supervisor Bill Anders– Engineer**

**Karen Wittig – Treasurer**

**I. General**

**A.** Anthony Prudenti called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance & Introductions at 9:00AM.

**B.** Approval of Monthly Bills for January/February

Chairman called for a motion to approve the monthly bills. Tim Houser made the motion. Ted Bogosh III seconded the motion. Motion was carried. 3-0

**C**. Chairman called for a motion to accept the Annual Reorganization meeting minutes from the Auditors’ meeting held on January 9, 2019. Tim Houser made the motion. Ted Bogosh III seconded the motion. Motion was carried. 3-0

**II. Public Comment on Agenda Items –** None

**III. Land Use**

Chairman asked Bill Anders if he had anything for the BOS regarding Land Use. Bill Anders informed the BOS that he attended a FEMA update meeting on Friday representing West Penn Township.

**IV. Executive Session**

Chairman switched the Agenda around for this meeting and called for an executive session early in the meeting for personnel issues. Tim Houser made the motion at 9:05AM. Ted Bogosh III seconded the motion. Motion was carried. 3-0

Chairman called the meeting back to order @ 9:45AM.

**V. Operations** - None

**VI. Old Business**

1. **Water Extraction Meeting** – Chairman asked Paul Datte to discuss the meeting.

Paul Datte feels the water extraction meeting was very helpful and answered the questions that were unclear to the water extraction attorneys. The meeting was on February 8, 2019 and ran about an hour & a half. Paul Datte continued and said the Planning & Steering Committee talked about the zoning ordinance revisions that were focused on water extraction in the excess of 1000gal/day with the potential of creating performance standards for water extraction.

This would involve the Hydrogeologist’s recommendations that we received. There was also discussion of exempting or favorable considering extraction of water used on site for Agricultural Operations. There was discussion of defining uses which include significant truck traffic & the possibility of limiting those to certain zoning districts which will have access to arterial highways. There were discussions about recovery of costs & fees associated with the changes & permits. There were also discussions on further engaging the water extraction attorneys & the hydrogeologist to make the revisions to the zoning ordinance. Attorney Datte has been in touch with Attorney Yeager since the meeting and it is Attorney Datte’s recommendation that we defer formal action to engage them until Attorney Datte gets some additional information he needs before making that decision. Attorney Datte deferred it until the meeting in March.

**B. Comprehensive Plan** - Chairman instructed the secretary to go to the lowest bidder and ask if he

Could supply us with an existing land uses map, paper copy, CD plus a PDF? Chairman stated we will take action at the next meeting.

**C.** Ted Bogosh III requested that the secretary meet with the Chief to discuss the office security

window.

**VII. New Business**

**A.** Scott Soley asked the BOS if the Township can write a letter to PennDOT stating that prior to January 1, 1967, Scott Soley’s lot had 10 or more cars on it. The reason Mr. Soley would like the Township to write the letter, is because PennDOT may be willing to put up a fence on Mr. Soley’s lot.

Attorney Datte said he can draft a letter to PennDOT stating that we have no reason not to believe there were more than ten cars on that lot prior to January 1, 1967. Chairman called for a motion to authorize Paul Datte to write a letter to PennDOT on behalf of Scott Soley & his Towing Company. Tim Houser made the motion. Ted Bogosh III seconded the motion. Motion was carried. 3-0

**VIII. Business from Anyone of Board**

**A.** Ted Bogosh III wanted to discuss the Security Lights at the Annex Building. Mr. Bogosh III said when you turn the lights off at the Annex the security lights come on which then run off the battery.

Chief reached out to the person who installed the lights and he is going to check them out. The installer said it may be in the wiring.

**B.** Zoning Update & Appalachian Trail Grant

The Secretary talked with Brooks Mountcastle on how to go about applying for the grant. The secretary asked Brooks Mountcastle who he would suggest apply for the grant. Brooks said the Township should apply and he will help with the application.

**VIII. Correspondence** - None

**IX. Public Comment on General Items**

Marlin Zehner informed the BOS that the West Penn Park West (Zions Stone) park clean-up will be on April 6, 2019 @ 8AM. Rain Date is April 13, 2019 @ 8AM. Marlin Zehner said we may need some help from the Township. Mr. Zehner reminded the Township that we need to advertise for Mowing & Trimming of the Parks. Marlin Zehner also stated that the West Penn Lions donated & paid for a gas stove for the concession stand at the park. Chairman called for a motion to have the secretary advertise for the mowing & trimming of both parks. Tim Houser made the motion. Ted Bogosh III seconded the motion. Motion was carried. 3-0

**X. Executive Session**

**XI. Adjournment**

Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the meeting @ 10:12AM. Chairman made the motion. Tim Houser seconded the motion. Motion was carried. 3-0

Transcribed By:

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West Penn Township Secretary