

**West Penn Township Board of Supervisors  
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**Regular 10AM Monthly Meeting  
Monday, March 21, 2022**

**Present at the Meeting**

**Tony Prudenti – Chairman**

**Katie Orlick - Secretary**

**Tim Houser – Supervisor**

**Paul Datte – Solicitor**

**Glenn Hummel – Vice Chairman**

**Mike Begis – ARRO Consulting, Inc.**

**Karen Wittig – Treasurer**

**I. General**

**A.** Anthony Prudenti called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance & Introductions at 10:00AM.

**B. Approval of Monthly Bills**

Chairman called for a motion to approve our monthly bills. Tim Houser made the motion. Glenn Hummel seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

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

**III. Land Use**

**A.** Modification request from SALDOs on Land Development. Dean & Andrea Arner is requesting a modification to a Land Development Plan in reference to relocatable storage units he would like to put on his property, at the old Andreas Fire Station House. Mike Begis from ARRO Consulting said the Arnerns are requesting exemption from the Land Development Plan to put in these storage units. Mr. Begis said they are removable not permanent structures. Chairman read Arner's letter dated March 17, 2022. The letter is requesting that the Land Development Plan be waived because the units are not for Commercial Use, they are using them for storage for their Auction Company and Auction Customers as they prepare for their Auctions. Mr. Arner may be storing some Agricultural equipment there from time to time. Glenn Hummel asked Dean Arner if the units were going to be strictly for his Auction Business. Mr. Arner said, yes. Glenn Hummel said so it would be like a staging area for your Auction. Mr. Arner said, yes. Tim Houser's concern is where two different entities are being conducting out of one property. Tim Houser said he would like some kind of guarantee that it will only be used for the Auction Business and not as a Commercial Storage Unit Business where anyone can rent space and store anything. Chairman recommends the Township Solicitor write an agreement with two conditions. 1. The Storage Units need to be used in conjunction with his Auction Business. 2. Storm water, if he has water runoff to neighboring properties, Mr. Arner would need to have it corrected. Chairman called for a motion to waive the technicality of the SALDOs with two conditions listed above. Glenn Hummel made the motion. Tim Houser seconded the motion as long as the conditions are met and if he puts additional units up for a different business he would be required to do the Land Development Plan. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

**IV. Old Business**

**A. Morgan Park** – Mike Begis from ARRO Consulting said he attended two other bid openings on Thursday and the amounts of the costs for a pavilion were very similar. Chairman asked the BOS what they would like to do. Glenn Hummel said we should move forward with it. Attorney Datte recommends the BOS make a motion with the intent to award the contract with the change orders as described and let the Engineering Firm prepare the documentation. Glenn Hummel said the only thing he feels the

contractor will be doing is the pavilion, restroom & whatever excavating they need to do for that work. The Township would be responsible for parking lot, line painting, well and holding tank. Tim Houser expressed he was not happy with the bid proposal and prevailing wage. Glenn Hummel made the motion with the intent to award with the accepted change orders. Tim Houser seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

**B. Zoning/Comp. Plan – No Update** – Attorney Datte said he is going to request a meeting with Charlie Schmehl from URDC.

**C. Municibid** - Secretary stated that the Township had a 2006 Chevy Colorado up for bid on Municibid. The bidding started at \$500. The highest bid came in at \$6500. Chairman called for a motion to accept the highest bid of \$6500 for the 2006 Chevy Colorado. Glenn Hummel made the motion. Tim Houser seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

#### **V. New Business**

**A. Chairman** called for a motion to adopt Resolution # 15 of 2022 for Fire Company Grant. The Resolution is approving Glenn Hummel & Jeff Bradford to execute all documentation for the LSA grant that the Township applied for on behalf of the Fire Company retroactive March 15, 2022. The grant is for a CV Mini Pumper with Wilburt Lights. Glenn Hummel clarified that the LSA grant opened up statewide this year. The money for this grant comes from gambling proceeds and permits for gambling the state receives. Glenn Hummel made the motion. Tim Houser seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

**B. Lighting for the Annex** – Chairman said he received two phone calls about the lighting up at the Annex Building. Chairman said the lighting up at the Annex Building at night needs to be address. People are having difficulty seeing at night. The Chairman asked the BOS if he could get a quote for lighting up at the Annex.

#### **VI. Business from anyone on the Board**

**A.** Chairman read a resignation letter from Connor Evans. April 1, 2022 will be Connor Evans last day of employment with the West Penn Township Road Dept. Chairman called for a motion to accept Connor Evans Resignation. Glenn Hummel made a motion to accept Connor Evans resignation. Tim Houser seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

#### **VII. Correspondence**

**A.** John Sienkiewicz filed a concern with the Township about a property by his house. Mr. Sienkiewicz said there is a speed shop operating from a building that already has a different business in it. They have loud engines running at all hours of the day/night and they speed down the road. Mr. Sienkiewicz said his windows in his home actually vibrate when these cars are running. Mr. Sienkiewicz said it is affecting his quality of life with his family. Mr. Sienkiewicz said there was a Variance years ago stating they could not use Golf Rd as a driveway, which they are using. He also believes there can only be one business in the building. Attorney Datte said we could research to see if there was a Variance or any information in regards to that and send it over to our Code Enforcement for her investigation.

#### **VIII. Public Comment on General Items**

**A. Carl Greves** – suggested maybe we should get a decibel meter to measure the sound and if they go over the allowable limit, you can give them a fine.

**B. John Sienkiewicz** suggested lighting for the recycling center.

#### **IX. Executive Session**

**A.** Chairman called for a motion to go into an executive session @ 10:44AM for personnel issues. Tim Houser made the motion. Glenn Hummel seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

Chairman called meeting back to order. Tim Houser said we discussed personnel matters and hiring for road department.

**X. Anything Else from the Board - NONE**

**XI. Adjournment**

A. Chairman called for a motion to Adjourn at 11:20AM. Tim Houser made the motion. Glenn Hummel seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

Transcribed By:

Katie Orlick

West Penn Township Secretary