

**LOWER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING
MAY 2, 2019**

Call to Order: Chairman MacFarland called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

- a. The following members were in attendance: Chairman MacFarland, Supervisors Duffy, Eckman, Neights and Sorgini.
- b. Also in attendance were: Peter Nelson, Township Solicitor; Don Delamater, Township Manager; William Roth, Director of Special Projects and Technology; Mike Mrozinski, Community Development Director; Tim Woodrow, Township Engineer; Geri Golas, Assistant Township Manager; John Primus, Director of Public Works; and Lt. Michael Jackson, Annie Zhang, Student Representative.

Chairman MacFarland announced that prior to the meeting an executive session was held to discuss real estate, legal matters and personnel matters.

1) Consent Agenda

A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Duffy made a motion to approve the consent agenda items including moving the meeting minutes of April 17, 2019 into the record. Supervisor Neights seconded the motion.

i) No public comment

The motion *passed* 4-0-1 with Supervisor Sorgini abstaining due to absence.

2) Presentations

A) Promotion of Officer Zachary Wise to the rank of Corporal with the Lower Providence Township Police Department.

B) Introduction of new Lower Providence Community Library Director Marija Skoog.

3) New Business

A) Review of Courts at Brynwood Phase II land development.

i) Mr. Mrozinski reviewed the project.

ii) Chris Canavan of W.B. Homes, gave an overview of Phase II. He said he is appearing to have the Board approve the final land development phase for the next meeting.

(1) In response to Supervisor Neights, Mr. Canavan said they anticipate beginning the next phase in June and explained the sales timeline.

(2) Chairman MacFarland asked if the new entrance on Germantown Pike will impact traffic during rush hour. Mr. Canavan said that the installation of the final topcoat to tie into existing paving may have a few rush hour impacts and utility work has already been completed.

(3) Mr. Nelson confirmed that there have been no changes to the plan since preliminary approval. Mr. Canavan said that there were not and reviewed the steps already taken for final approval for Phase II. Solicitor Nelson said they would have a resolution prepared prior to the next meeting.

(4) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to authorize the Township Solicitor to develop a final plan resolution for Phase II land development for Courts at Brynwood. Supervisor Eckman seconded the motion.

(a) No public comment

The motion *passed* 5-0.

B) Authorization to award the 2019 road reconstruction bid.

- i) Mr. Primus reviewed the bid process and made a recommendation to award the bid to Alan Myers Construction for the 2019 road reconstruction project. He reviewed the roads that will be improved.
- ii) Mr. Woodrow said that all five bids were competitive and feels they are getting good value.
- iii) Supervisor Sorgini confirmed that Alan Myers was the contractor used in 2018 and that the Township was happy with their service.
- iv) Supervisor Eckman asked if they would be recycling asphalt. Mr. Woodrow said that the base was sufficient that they would not need recycling measures.
- v) Supervisor Neights asked that they look at the drain on Pinetown Road that is below road level grade and potential for putting more parking in Hoy Circle.
- vi) **MOTION:** Supervisor Duffy made a motion to authorize awarding the 2019 road construction bid to Alan Myers Construction. Supervisor Sorgini seconded the motion.

(1) No public comment.

The motion *passed* 5-0.

C) Consideration of Resolution 2019-21 authorizing application for a DCED CFA Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant.

- i) Mr. Delamater reviewed the resolution.
- ii) Supervisor Duffy confirmed monies available and Mr. Delamater said the grant would be awarded in late fall should the Township be successful in the application.
- iii) Discussion was held regarding the timeline for grant applications/awards and what additional grants the Township will be seeking.
- iv) Supervisor Neights noted that although there will be no sidewalks or bike trails built into the project due to the cost of reforming the intersection, there will be four-foot shoulder for pedestrian safety. Mr. Delamater said they will be meeting with the County to work with them to provide opportunities in the future should bike lanes be feasible.
- v) **MOTION:** Supervisor Sorgini made a motion to authorize the application for a DCED CFA Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant. Supervisor Neights seconded the motion.

(1) No public comment

The motion *passed* 5-0.

D) Consideration of North Penn Water Authority Cost Share Agreement.

- i) Mr. Woodrow reviewed the cost sharing agreement. He said North Penn Water Authority will pay the fee to repave the road after their work on their water main. Mr. Delamater said the agreement had been reviewed by the Township Solicitor.
- ii) Mr. Woodrow said that the funds received from North Penn Water Authority will be in addition to the amount allocated for the repaving project which means that cost will be diminished.
- iii) Discussion was held regarding adding additional road paving projects if there is a surplus of funds.
- iv) **MOTION:** Supervisor Duffy made a motion to authorize the Cost Share Agreement with North Penn Water Authority. Supervisor Neights seconded the motion.

(1) No public comment

The motion *passed* 5-0.

E) Proclamation recognizing the week of May 12-18, 2019 as Police Week in Lower Providence Township.

- i) Chairman MacFarland read the proclamation.
- F) Proclamation recognizing the week of May 19-25, 2019 as Public Works Week in Lower Providence Township.
 - i) Supervisor Sorgini read the proclamation.
- G) Discussion of sustainability resolution
 - i) Chairman MacFarland reviewed the history of crafting the resolution.
 - ii) Supervisor Neights reviewed his draft resolution.
 - (1) Discussion was held regarding the language and goals of the proposed resolution, as well as the Township's authority in creating policy.
 - iii) Chairman MacFarland said he will ask the Township Solicitor to draft the final resolution for vote at the next meeting and further discussion can be held at that time.

4) Announcements

- A) Sewer Planning Commission will meet on May 13 at 6 p.m.
- B) Finance Committee will meet on May 20 at 6 p.m.
- C) Library Board of Trustees will meet on May 20 at 7 p.m.
- D) Parks & Recreation Board will meet on May 20 at 7 p.m. (Corrected to move date to May 21 at 7 p.m.)
- E) Primary Election Day will be May 21 (Polls open 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.)
- F) Information on the county's new voting system is available on the Township website www.lowerprovidence.org.
- G) Student Representative Annie Zhang reported on the Junior and Senior prom as well as the post-prom party.

5) Comments and other Business

- A) Chairman MacFarland reported on the number of roads under construction in the Township. Mr. Delamater advised residents to check out the Facebook to stay current on all construction.

6) Courtesy of Floor

- A) Julia Nutley, Meadowview Lane, noted that the Township has held Earth Day celebrations in the past so there is precedent.
- B) Lisa Yanack, Summit Ave., would like the Township to consider participating in National Night Out and described the event. Lt. Jackson said they had participated in the past and will look into exploring whether this is feasible.
- C) Erin McCool, Cold Spring Drive, commented on the sustainability resolution conversation and recommended several actions the township can undertake including creating an Environmental Advisory Commission.
- D) Ben Arkevitch, outreach coordination , read a statement from Representative Webster in support of the resolution.

7) Adjournment

- A) **MOTION:** Supervisor Neights made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Sorgini seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Next Business Meeting: May 16, 2019
June 6, 2019