

**Newlin Township
Board of Supervisors
Meeting Minutes**

May 13, 2019

Call to Order: The monthly Board of Supervisors meeting on Monday, May 13, 2019, convened at 8:00 p.m. at the Lenfest Center, Cannery Road, Coatesville, PA. Present were Chair, Janie Baird, Bill Kelsall, Bob Pearson and Secretary, Gail Abel.

Pledge of Allegiance

Announcement Period: Janie Baird provided announcements.

- The June Board of Supervisors meeting will be held at the Township Maintenance Garage due to a conflict with Natural Lands.
- Janie Baird also announced the Tough Mudder Event will be at Plantation Field, May 18th – 19th which will create extra traffic on the roads.
- There is a Zoning Hearing scheduled for May 22 at 6:30 pm here at the Lenfest Center.
- Board of Supervisors will be having an executive session on a personnel issue immediately following the meeting.

Comment Period: Doug Mooberry, 615 Harvey’s Bridge Road and Andrew Egan, 623 Harvey’s Bridge Road raised concerns about the increased traffic and the increased speed on Harvey’s Bridge Road with the closure of Brandywine Creek Road. GPS mapping is sending full-size trucks and RV’s on Harvey’s Bridge as a detour. They would like to see “no through traffic” signs on both ends of Harvey’s Bridge Road. They would also like the Board to consider speed bumps. They also offered assistance if the Board would like to form a committee; the landowners are happy to help.

Bob Pearson commented he would work with the road crew to add “no through traffic” signs, and “no truck” signs.

Minutes: The minutes of the Board of Supervisors meeting, held on Monday, April 8, 2019, were read and reviewed. Bob Pearson made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Bill Kelsall and the vote was unanimous

Financial Report: Read by Gail Abel. Janie Baird announced we are currently receiving all of the tax income which is keeping the bank balances above the \$250,000 FDIC Limit. Janie made a motion to approve the financial report, and to transfer the excess funds into the Land Acquisition Account, then move any extra into the Malvern Savings. The motion was seconded by Bob Pearson and the vote was unanimous.

Emergency Services:

West Bradford Fire Company: April report was received, 48 total calls, 2 calls in Newlin.

Modena Fire Company: Not received.

Good Fellowship Ambulance: April report was received, 1 call in Newlin.

Po Mar Lin, Modena Fire Co & Longwood Ambulance reports are received by the Regional Fire Committee.

Right to Know Requests: The Township has had two right to know requests since the last meeting.

1050 Glenhall Road Zoning Hearing Board Application: Adam Brower from EB Walsh presented the Zoning Hearing Application for Marsh Creek Homes. The variances requested are for a 9.08-acre property which was owned by the Estate of Clayton Downes and located at 1050 Glen Hall Road, UPI No 49-5-39.1 A significant number of residents from the Glenhall Road area were in the audience and were provided the opportunity to ask questions and make comments. The Zoning Hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, May 22, 2019, at 6:30 pm at The Lenfest Center.

Uniform Construction Code House Bill 349 Resolution 2019-09: We received correspondence from the Pennsylvania Association of Building Code Officials "PABCO." Townships are responsible for enforcing the Uniform Construction Code (UCC). PABCO is working with townships to defeat state legislative measure that will erode local control, could raise fees and taxes and raise liability concerns.

House Bill 349 was approved and is headed to the Senate. It will require opt-in municipalities to use two or more third-party agencies to administer and enforce the UCC. We have been advised by counsel, Kristin Camp, and Building Code Official, Craig Kologie to oppose HB 349 by adopting a Resolution. Newlin would be required to contract with at least one additional third-party agency to administer and enforce the building code, resulting on multiple Building Code Officials. This would add administrative burden with some loss of control over the process.

Bob Pearson made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-09, seconded by Bill Kelsall and the vote was unanimous.

Strasburg Landfill Superfund Site: Janie Baird provided background information of the Notice of Intent from Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) addressed to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to Delete (NOID) & Final Notice of Deletion (NOD) of the Strasburg Landfill Superfund Site located in West Bradford & Newlin Townships.

The DEP has completed its review of the NOID and NOD documents for the Strasburg Landfill Superfund Site.

DEP concurs with the decision to delete the Strasburg Landfill Superfund Site from the National Priorities List.

DEP agrees that all appropriate CERCLA response actions have been implemented, completed, and found to be protective of public health, welfare, and the environment. It is the DEP's understanding the deletion does not preclude eligibility for future response actions should future conditions at the Site change.

Beagle Club Road: Barb Forney announced there is no update to Beagle Club since the April meeting. If you were at the April meeting, you would have been informed that the bid for the manufacture of the culvert is delayed until September.

Kelsall Road: Barbara Forney announced when she was at the Conservation District's Office to inform them of the delay of Beagle Club, she was told that they have money for an additional Grant for Dirt & Gravel Roads. Road Master Bob Pearson and Barbara Forney put their heads together and submitted a Grant request for Kelsall Road. The grant was awarded for a little over \$200,000.

Laurel Road: Bob Pearson thinks the Board should change from Geo-Technology Associates (GTA) to another firm. He is suggesting Larson Engineering. Megan Walters, with GTA, has had poor response rates. A direction for design should be re-considered. Bob Pearson has had the opportunity to view Brandywine Creek rehabilitation first hand and thinks this could work nicely for Laurel Road.

Jim Fritsch knows Larson Engineering and is happy to reach out to them for a proposal or presentation. Bob Pearson commented we have reviewed emergency access for Laurel Road but have not looked at the "big block" designs for months.

Paul Murphy commented that if we are to the point where we have exhausted all avenues maybe the Board should consider making the road one way. His concern is that if the Board is only dealing with the 800' of road and still have not dealt with the residents driveways, this could be problematic.

It was decided that Janie Baird would contact Jim Fritsch to give him the go-ahead to contact Larson Engineering.

Bids: Annual Bids were advertised in the Daily Local News on April 11th & April 30th, 2019. Bob Person announced we used to have 4 advertised bids per year but have been using COSTARS for stone and asphalt.

Contract #1 was for the procurement of approximately 5,000 gallons of E-3M Asphalt Emulsion and approximately 4,000 gallons of MC-30 Oil along with the equipment and labor for installation. 1 unopened bid from Asphalt Industries was given to the Road Master for review.

Contract #2 was for the procurement and operation of a schedule of equipment and labor. 1 unopened bid from D.T. Taylor was given to the Road Master for review.

Both bids had bid bonds attached. Both contractors have been recurring vendors with the Township for years. With no further discussion, Bob Pearson made a motion to accept the bids from Asphalt Industries and D.T. Taylor, seconded by Bill Kelsall and the vote was unanimous.

Adjournment: With no further business, Bill Kelsall made a motion for adjournment, seconded by Janie Baird and the vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gail Abel
Recording Secretary

