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The Board of Supervisors of East Brunswick Township held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 23, 2023 at the Municipal Building. The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Jeffrey Faust at 6:30 PM. There was a PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to our flag.

In attendance for the meeting were Chairman Jeffrey Faust, Vice-Chairman/Treasurer Thomas Strause, Supervisor John Heim, Solicitor James Crossen, Engineer Brian Baldwin and Secretary Nicole Fisher. Residents Thomas Noecker, Jane Shellhamer, Susan Moyer, Keith Coller, James Berger, melissa Booth, Curt Stein, Nick Coccio. Some names were scattered, please see attached paper.

Public Comments

Melissa spoke to the board about her concerns regarding compass alley. She mentioned her concerns about where the sewage from the trailer is being dumped. She spoke about the violence she had witnessed and the loud vulgar language that is constantly being used, she mentioned debris littering the alley way and the open burning that is being conducted. Susan also voiced her concerns about the children that live there and where they are getting fresh water. She mentioned the right of way being blocked. J. Faust informed her that a certified letter was sent to the property owner about the right of way being blocked. He explained to Susan and Melissa that the township is unable to police the area and that is why a letter was sent to the property owner. J. Faust read an email from the sewage enforcement officer stating that he did visit the property but couldn't see where the sewage would have been dumped and didn't notice any suspicious activity, but if something is seen from a neighbor and reported he will make another visit to the property. The sewage enforcement officer also sent a letter to the property owner. James mentioned that he did see the sewage enforcement officer there and the two of them spoke. James also informed the supervisor that there have been seven people living there for six weeks, he stated that he witnessed the people hook a garden hose to the trailer. He continued to state that the trailer was moved but the debris is still littering the alley. J. Faust informed James that as long as the debris is on the property and not on the road there is nothing that can be done about it. He explained that it

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will become a neighbor-to-neighbor dispute. As far as the violence and noise they would need to contact the state police. J. Crossen questioned what if anything was still blocking the road and if they had any pictures of it. James stated that there was a refrigerator and other debris but he doesn't currently have any pictures of the debris. J. Faust mentioned he would drive there to see what was still in the alley and take pictures, so that J. Crossen can send another notice to the property owner. B. Baldwin stated that when burning is taking place pictures should be taken because they may be in violation, Susan stated that she does have a picture of mattress being burned. J. Faust asked if it was in the field or close to a structure, James said it is next to the garage. James mentioned that the sewage enforcement officer told him he would be back to check the situation again.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Jane Shellhamer spoke about the upcoming Strawberry Festival. She mentioned that everything is coming along nicely. She mentioned they have a total of twenty-six craft vendors and nine food vendors. Jane also mentioned that the fire company will be donating their time and side by side to help elderly/disabled people get down to the location of the festival. J. Faust added that if anyone knows any high schoolers that are looking for community service hours, they are welcome to come and help out at the festival. Jane stated she would sign the community service form.

NEW BUSINESS

CFA-GTRP Grant Application Resolution

B. Baldwin mentioned the grant is to reconstruct the tennis courts, and a resolution will need to be approved and signed at this meeting. Curt Stein asked if there was new tennis court going in, J. Faust explained that it is to reconstruct the tennis court, not put a new one in. Curt mentioned a pickle ball court. J. Faust explained that they can do that and that B. Baldwin is looking into that. J. Faust mentioned that the net for tennis and pickle ball

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aren't the same size so that would be a small issue but they plan on lining the court for both pickle ball and tennis. J. Faust made a motion to pass resolution 2023-2 to file for the CFA tennis court grant. J. Heim seconded the motion. Voted all in favor.

Burget & Associates Solar Farm

B. Baldwin stated that the planning commission granted conditional final approval and granted a waiver to go from the preliminary stage to the final stage. He explained that the submission was submitted in November and two extensions have been requested since the submission. There was a conditional use application submitted May 23, 2023. Since this has been received the next step would be to advertise for the hearing. He explained that once the hearing has been held the board still has time to render a decision. He did explain that it will cross over the deadline of the land submission deadline. B. Baldwin made a recommendation they submit another time extension, if one isn't submitted at the next meeting, he will recommend that the supervisors reject the plan. J. Crossen stated that the conditional use hearing needs to be advertised in the newspaper for two consecutive weeks. J. Faust recommended having the special hearing next month with the regular meeting starting at 6:30pm. J. Faust made a motion to advertise for conditional use for Burget Solar Farms & Associates. T. Strause second the motion. All voted in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE

General

Facility Request

J. Faust made a motion to approve the Blue Mountain Soccer Club field use request. J. Heim seconded. All voted in favor.

BLUE MOUNTAIN RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

The monthly recreation meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 24th at 7PM.

SOUTHERN SCHUYLKILL COG MEETING

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The next COG meeting is scheduled for Thursday September 21st at 7PM.

CONCERNS

No concerns

PERMITS

SEMINARS

ROAD MASTER REPORT

T. Noecker reported on the roadcrews recent activities which was spent mostly on Laurel Lane; hauling and laying stone and shale, prepping it and paving it. They also worked in the shop and cleaned up trees and debris after storms. T. Noecker stated that once the shoulders are done on Laurel Lane the road will be finished, they will be moving to the next road.

MEETING MINUTES

Motion by J. Faust, seconded by T. Strause to approve the minutes for the BOS Meeting of April 25th, 2023. Voted all in favor.

TREASURERS REPORT

J. Heim made a motion to approve the May 23rd treasurers report, with the exception of it being amended by the next meeting. J. Faust seconded the motion. T. Strause abstained.

REVIEW AND AUTHORIZATION OF BILLS

On a motion by J. Faust, seconded by T. Strause to approve the Payment of Bills as presented. Voted all in Favor.

On a motion by J. Heim, seconded by T. Strause, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM. All Voted in Favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Fisher

Secretary

