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The Board of Supervisors of East Brunswick Township held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 26, 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, Supervisor John Heim, Engineer Brian Baldwin, Solicitor James Crossen and Secretary Nicole Fisher. Residents Thomas Noecker, John and Donna Moser, Carol Bylone and Amy Burke. Mark Jones and David Faust were also in attendance.

Public Comments

Amy Burke discussed the ongoing water run off issue she is having. T. Noecker explained that the issue is that her driveway is just too low. Amy questioned about putting a drain before the driveway. T. Noecker explained that he doesn't think that the water is getting up over the swale to her garage and even if they do all the work to put a drain in it won't make a difference. J. Faust explained that he is asking for T. Noecker's opinion and that if he is saying that it won't make a difference, it isn't right to waste money to try to fix the problem. Amy proceeded to question why nothing can be done, to stop the water before it gets to her house. T. Noecker explained that her house was just build to low. B. Baldwin offered his opinion, which was the same thing as T. Noecker. J. Faust explained that storms will happen that breach stormwater capacities. T. Noecker explained that if they were going to attempt to do anything they would have to deal with utilities lines that are ran underground there. J. Crossen asked Amy if she had personally spoke to an engineer, to which she replied that they told her to talk to the township first. B. Baldwin stated that the cost to the benefit just isn't worth it.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Emerich Solar Farm

David Faust reported that they just received the comment letter and they are agreeable to almost everything in the letter. Brian summarized the letter by explaining there were some concerns about the driveway and the chain link fence, which will involve grubbing tree stumps. Brian explained that he only got the letter finalized and sent out today. Brian explained to the board that there is a formal waiver request to go right to land development. Brian explained that he does recommend that Board follow the Planning Commission's recommendation on granting that waiver. Brian requested that whomever put together the decommissioning cost sign and seal it. J. Faust questioned what the decommissioning fee was, Brian explained that the estimate is about \$58,100 factoring in a 2% inflation over 20 years, coming up with \$86,300. Brian explained to the board that they either need to grant conditional final plan approval, deny the plan, or except the time extension. David did present a letter requesting a time extension, but explained that he would like to be granted conditional final plan approval. J. Crossen recommended granting the extension. J. Heim made a motion to grant a time extension until the October meeting. J. Faust seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

2024 Proposed Meeting Dates

J. Faust made a motion to advertise the 2024 proposed meeting dates. J. Heim seconded the motion. Voted all in favor.

Potential Grant Opportunities

Brian explained that the LSA is open and the application is due November 30, 2023, so a resolution will need to be passed at the next meeting if the board would like to apply for funding. The Award Announcement won't be until September 2024. J. Faust requested that Tom Noecker get a truck estimate by next months meeting.

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CORRESPONDENCE

General

2024 Liquid Fuels

- Allocation will be \$207,917.94
- Turnback will be \$22,760.00

BLUE MOUNTAIN RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

The monthly recreation meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 27th at 7PM.

SOUTHERN SCHUYLKILL COG MEETING

The next COG meeting is scheduled for Thursday October 19th at 7PM.

Schuylkill County Hazard mitigation Oct. 4th at 6pm

102nd Annual Schuylkill County Township Officials Convention Oct. 18th at 4:30pm.

Highmark Renewal 3.06% change, KJFP recommends we stay with current plan. Tabled until next meeting.

Scenic Mt. Rd. grass on road

CONCERNS

No concerns

PERMITS

SEMINARS

ROAD MASTER REPORT

T. Noecker reported on the activities of the roadcrew. He explained that they spent time backing up shoulders on Catawissa Street, working in the shop and on the soccer field. They spent time cleaning up after storms, mowing and regrading roads. They also assisted West Penn with paving.

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MEETING MINUTES

Motion by J. Faust, seconded by J. Heim to approve the minutes for the BOS Meeting of August 22, 2023 as presented. Voted all in Favor.

TREASURERS REPORT

Motion by J. Heim, seconded by J. Faust to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.

REVIEW AND AUTHORIZATION OF BILLS

Motion by J. Faust, seconded by J. Heim to approve the Payment of Bills as presented. Voted all in Favor.

On a motion by J. Faust, seconded by J. Heim, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM. All Voted in Favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Fisher

Secretary