

Maidencreek Township Board of Supervisor Meeting
October 12, 2017

Present: David Franke, Claude Beaver, Tom Unger – Systems Design Engineering, Inc.,
Christopher Garrell – Orlando Law Offices, Katelyn Gruber – Township Receptionist

Absent: Joseph Rudderow III, Diane Hollenbach (family medical emergencies)

Francis Scott, Victoria Solberg, Heidi Fiedler, Jim Cecchini, Joel Herb, Jim Schoellkopf,
Taylor Delehanty, Dan Miller

David Franke called the October 12, 2017 regular meeting of the Maidencreek Township Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00 pm in the Maidencreek Township Municipal Building and asked everyone to rise for the Pledge to the Flag. Following the Pledge to the Flag, David Franke asked for a moment of silence to remember Gloria Kemmerer, a former Supervisor of Maidencreek and mother of the Township Manager, Diane Hollenbach.

MINUTES &
FINANCES

Approval of the Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Claude Beaver to waive the reading of the minutes and approve the minutes for the September 14, 2017 regular meeting. David Franke seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report and Bill List

A motion was made by Claude Beaver to approve the September 2017 Treasurer's Report and Bill List. David Franke seconded the motion and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Heidi Fiedler, 432 E Wesner Road, Blandon questioned Mr. Unger, Township Engineer, on the status of the letter that was sent to Marco Folino dated May 5th regarding seven deficiencies and gave Mr. Folino 30 days. Heidi Fielder would like to know what action has been and will be taken since it is now into October. Mr. Unger stated that he has been in verbal communication with the developer of Melrose Place and will continue to do so, the developer is waiting for property owner's consent to continue with some of the work. Heidi Fiedler asked if the developer had submitted a grading plan. The developer has submitted a revised grading plan to meet the intent of the original storm water plan. Heidi Fiedler asked if the developer would be re-grading lots to meet specifications on the original plan that was approved by the Township in 2006. Mr. Unger stated that the lots could not be re-graded exactly per the 2006 plan, but that the developer has a plan set forth with the intent of having the storm water flow to where its needs to go.

Jim Cechinni, 432 E Wesner Road, Blandon asked if anything will be done about the Melrose Place issues before Spring. Mr. Unger stated that it is getting late in the year and due to the change in weather, the issues will most likely not be resolved by year end. Mr. Unger added there have been efforts made to move in the direction to complete the work.

Victoria Solberg, 317 Sofia Boulevard, Blandon stated that she has obtained an attorney to help negotiate a settlement with Folino Homes to correct non-compliance on her property. Mrs. Solberg has had several discussions recently with Folino Homes and a letter was sent from Mrs. Solberg's attorney to Folino Homes stating her final proposal regarding re-grading of her property and correction of the swale to meet the 2006 approved Melrose Place Subdivision Plan.

REPORTS

ENGINEER'S REPORT

2017 Street Project – Mr. Unger stated that the Contractor has not yet submitted application for Payment #3.

MS4 – Mr. Unger reported that the final Plan was submitted to DEP prior to the September 16, 2017 deadline by Township Manager, Diane Hollenbach.

Chestnut Street Crosswalk – Mr. Unger reported that the traffic study was completed and thanked Northern Berks Regional Police Department for their assistance. Mr. Unger stated that a crosswalk is warranted and that No Parking signs would need to be posted on both sides of the street. The crosswalk would be in accordance with PennDOT mid-block, crosswalk regulations. Mr. Unger included a sketch plan for the Board of Supervisors to review and discuss at the next meeting when all parties are in attendance.

Letter of Credit Release Letters

A motion was made by Claude Beaver to authorize the vice chairman to sign the Letter of Credit release letters in the amount of \$1349.41. David Franke seconded the motion and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Christopher Garrell, Attorney at Orlando Law Offices, introduced himself and apologized for Mr. Orlando being unable to attend the meeting. Solicitor Garrell asked the public if anyone had any questions, he would be happy to answer. There was nothing to report at this time.

MANAGER'S REPORT

A written manager's report was presented to the Board of Supervisors.

BUSINESS

Draft changes to the Burning Ordinance - Discussion

Tabled.

Recycling Contract Extension

Tabled.

Joel Herb, 240 W Walnut Tree Drive, Blandon commented that he is unhappy with JP Mascaro as the Township recycling hauler due to numerous times his recycling bin has not been placed back on his property. Mr. Herb wanted the record to state that he does not believe the Township should renew their contract with JP Mascaro. Claude Beaver asked for the office to write a letter to JP Mascaro sighting the complaint.

Taylor Delehanty, 204 White Birch Lane/Reading Eagle, Blandon made a complaint regarding County Waste soliciting outside of the Ordinance times and that she believed the company was not being honest with residents about their business. Katelyn Gruber stated that the office had received two complaints regarding soliciting outside of the Ordinance times and had advised the residents to call Northern Berks Regional Police as they will enforce the Ordinance. David Franke asked Christopher Garrell, Solicitor, if the Township could revoke a permit issued for soliciting. Christopher Garrell believes that a permit could be revoked if citations and violations were issued. Claude Beaver asked for the office to send a letter to County Waste regarding the complaint and warn that the Township could revoke their permit.

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Victoria Solberg, 317 Sofia Boulevard, Blandon stated for the record that a garbage company came around soliciting and she switched to them and saved \$20.00 a month and they have a nice arm lift that dumps the garbage right into their truck.

A motion was made by Claude Beaver, seconded by David Franke, to adjourn the October 12, 2017 meeting of the Maidencreek Township Board of Supervisors. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted "Aye". Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Township Receptionist, Katelyn Gruber

Cc: Board of Supervisors
Eugene Orlando, Solicitor
Thomas Unger, Township Engineer
Planning Commission
Park & Recreation Board
Zoning Hearing Board and Alternates
Joan London, Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor
Maidencreek Township Authority
Patrick Donovan, Maidencreek Township Authority General Manager
Meagan Dompkowski, Maidencreek Township Authority Secretary
Daniel Becker, Authority Solicitor
Greg Unger, Authority Engineer
Barbara Hassler, Tax Collector
Daniel Miller, Blandon Fire Company Chief
Chief Brian Horner, Northern Berks Regional Police
Diane Hollenbach, Township Manager/Secretary/Treasurer