

The regular meeting of the Adams Township Board of Supervisors was held on, August 24, 2015, at 7:30 p.m. at the Adams Township Municipal Building, 690 Valencia Road, Adams Township, Mars, PA.

Present at the meeting were Supervisors Donald C. Aiken, Linda E. Lees, Edward L. Vogel, Thomas L. Franceschina and Russell R. Ford; Secretary Janet Lubbert, Solicitor Michael Gallagher, Chief William Westerman, Township Engineer Ronald Olsen and Code Enforcement Officer Gary Peaco.

Chairman Aiken called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and asked the Boy Scouts who were present to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Clayton Morrow

Mr. Morrow lives at 126 Colonel Lane and was in attendance with Scott Ackerman from Seven Fields and some members of Boy Scout Troop 400. They are asking for permission to use the schoolhouse for their meetings on Monday evenings. Mr. Vogel said it should be ready by winter. Mr. Aiken said they would look into it but it should be fine with the Board.

Dave Goodworth

Mr. Goodworth lives at 1555 Three Degree Road and was at the meeting on behalf of the Park and Recreation Board. He said there was not a quorum at their last meeting so no action was taken. They are putting the finishing touches on Community Day and will be meeting with the vendors for planning. The T-shirt design has been selected, and they are finalizing the stage acts. He said they have a vague description for the Park & Recreation Director position and are continuing to work on that. He said members need to complete their background checks for working with children. Some of the members have them and can provide the documentation. The Supervisors said they want the rest of the background checks done through Chief Westerman. Mr. Ford asked the status of the exercise equipment in the park. Mr. Goodworth said that Corry Harley and John Hock have met with a representative from the company for locations, but the equipment is pricier than they anticipated.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Thomas L. Franceschina and seconded by Linda E. Lees, the Planning Commission minutes for August 5, 2015 were approved. All were in favor.

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Supervisors of August 10, 2015 were approved. Russell R. Ford abstained. Four were in favor with one abstention.

PLAN REVIEWS

Whitetail Meadows

Chris Wulff from Larson Design Group presented the plan for Whitetail Meadows for final approval of the PRD and subdivision. They have separated the out parcels. Mr. Franceschina asked about the items that were not showing on the plan for the Planning Commission, and Mr. Wulff said they have been put back on the plan. Mr. Ford asked about tenants for the out parcels, and Mr. Wulff said Sheetz is a potential tenant. Mr. Franceschina said they are just approving the plan and it doesn't specify tenants. Mr. Ford asked who is building the houses, and Mr. Wulff said it will be Ryan Homes. On a motion by Thomas L. Franceschina and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, Whitetail Meadows was given final approval for the subdivision and the PRD. All were in favor.

No Off Season Sports

Jerry Nist from Hampton Technical Associates and Charles Vrabel from No Off Season Sports presented the plan for property located across from Quality Gardens on Route 228. Mr. Vrabel has purchased four acres from Valencia Sports Park for ballfields outside and gymnastics inside. There will not be any lights. Mr. Franceschina said the Planning Commission has reviewed and approved the plan and all of the agreements have been received. On a motion by Russell R. Ford and seconded by Linda E. Lees, the plan for No Off Season Sports was approved. All were in favor.

A. Heiles Plan

Mr. Peaco presented this plan for property located on Brickyard Road across from Brickyard Plaza. They discovered an encroachment issue when the Lapes sold their property, and they are asking for a lot line revision. Mr. Franceschina asked if both signatures are on the plan, and they are not. Approval would be contingent on both signatures being on the mylar. On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Russell R. Ford, action on the plan was tabled. All were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESSBond Release - Morlino, LLC

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Russell R. Ford, approval was given for a bond release in the amount of \$19,007.10 for Morlino, LLC as recommended by the township engineer. All were in favor.

Bond Release - Pine Ridge Commons/Pleasant Ridge

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Thomas L. Franceschina, approval was given for a bond release in the amount of \$241,970.50 for Pine Ridge Commons for the Pleasant Ridge plan as recommended by the township engineer. All were in favor.

Metro Alert Software Agreement

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Thomas L. Franceschina, approval was given for Chief Westerman to sign the agreement for the Metro Alert software at a cost of \$1,730.00 per year. All were in favor.

Pension Minimum Municipal Obligations

On a motion by Russell R. Ford and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, approval was given for Donald Aiken to sign the Minimum Municipal Obligations for the pension plans that were prepared by the actuary. All were in favor.

Public Works Safety Meeting

On a motion by Edward L. Vogel and seconded by Linda E. Lees, approval was given for the Public Works employees to attend a safety meeting on August 26 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. about an hour away at no cost to the township. All were in favor.

Firing Range Curative Amendment

Mr. Gallagher explained the question of firing ranges in the township has come up and explained the procedure for a curative amendment to make sure they are properly zoned. Linda E. Lees made the following motion: (1) To declare Adams township Zoning Ordinance, to the extent in which it totally excludes firing ranges as a permitted use in Adams Township, to be substantively invalid. (2) To authorize and direct the Solicitor to prepare a Resolution making specific findings setting forth the declared invalidity of the zoning ordinance, to be enacted by the Township at its September 14, 2015 regular meeting. (3) To authorize and direct the Solicitor to forthwith prepare a curative amendment to cure the declared invalidity, and to submit the curative amendment to the Planning Commission so that the curative amendment is adopted by the Supervisors within 180 days of this motion. Thomas L. Franceschina seconded the motion. All were in favor.

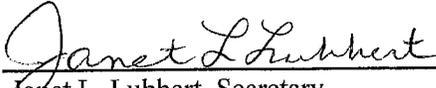
Park and Recreation Board Ordinance

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Russell R. Ford, approval was given for the Solicitor to advertise the ordinance for the Park and Recreation Board. All were in favor.

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ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Russell R. Ford and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. All were in favor.



Janet L. Lubbert, Secretary