

Chairman Nelson Brenneman called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Supervisors present: Dennis Luckenbaugh and Rodney Shearer. Present on behalf of the Township: Manager Sharon Kerchner, Solicitor Stephanie Kogut. Also present: Recording Secretary and about 31 citizens.

I. **Minutes**

Motion by Shearer, second by Luckenbaugh, to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 20, 2018. All members voted aye; motion carried.

II. **Treasurer's Report**

A. **Motion** by Luckenbaugh, second by Shearer, to approve the Treasurer's Report for November 2018 as presented. All members voted aye; motion carried.

III. **Police Report**

Officer Poplin gave the police report for November 2018. Nothing of any particular interest to report.

IV. **Fire Company Report**

Tim Carr gave the fire company report for November 2018. Many of the calls for service were outside the Township to give mutual aid to other municipalities.

V. **Permits, Plans, and Modules**

A. Final Subdivision Plan over lands of Merle D. and Mary Ann Kern, Trustees of the Merle D. and Mary Ann Z. Kern Family Revocable Trust, #18133-01, Kern Drive

Merle Kern and Joe Burget were present on this plan, a minor subdivision plan of 85 acres, at the corner of Joseph Road, near Noss Road. The house, well, septic area, and 13.5 acres are to be conveyed; it's on a private drive, with a 50' ROW. They will keep the rest of the land (71.4 acres) for farming. No open items.

Motion by Luckenbaugh, second by Shearer, to approve the Planning Waiver and Non-Building Declaration AND to forward same to DEP. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Motion by Shearer, second by Luckenbaugh, to approve the Final Subdivision Plan, #18133-01, of Merle D. and Mary Ann Kern, Trustees of the Merle D. and Mary Ann Z. Kern Family Revocable Trust. All members voted aye; motion carried.

VI. **Administrative Reports**

A. Supervisors' Reports

1. Mr. Luckenbaugh reported that the Township Building needs some work, and a quote was obtained from Doug Miller. **Motion** by Luckenbaugh, second by Shearer, to approve/award the quote from Doug Miller for work on Township Building in the amount of \$10,900 – cut existing rusting metal siding; install metal wainscoting, enlarge the garage door opening to 12' x 8', reframe and install new overhead-insulated door with opener. All members voted aye; motion carried.

2. **Motion** by Luckenbaugh, second by Brenneman, to approve/award the quote from Doug Miller for work on the fire company building in the amount of \$5,560 to replace all spouting on the fire company building. All members voted aye; motion carried.

B. Manager's Report

1. **Motion** by Luckenbaugh, second by Shearer, to approve the 2019 Budget as proposed and advertised. All members voted aye; motion carried.

2. **Motion** by Shearer, second by Luckenbaugh, to approve the contract with the SPCA for the 2019 contract agreement in the amount of \$4,453, which is the same as the past several years. Payment to be sent prior to 3/31/19. Two members voted aye; *Brenneman opposed*. Motion carried.

3. In January and February, relating to the proposed new stormwater authority, the YCPC is holding work sessions with small groups of municipalities that are in proximity to one another. The purpose is to further discuss the proposal and gather more information and input. Is NCT interested? Yes, offer the Township Building as a meeting place and give some dates and times.

4. FYI, employee evaluations have been completed.

5. Last week Mr. Brenneman attended the 811 meeting. Bridges are scheduled to be replaced/repared. Stand by; PennDOT will notify the Township which bridges and when. Discussion was held on the travesty that the Township emergency agencies are not informed properly when PennDOT needs to close a road, even for a few hours.

C. Engineer's Report

No discussion or questions on the report.

D. Solicitor's Report

1. **Motion** by Shearer, second by Brenneman, to authorize the Township Solicitor to request financial information from the Police Board (who will then request that the Police Board Solicitor provide the information) to determine what the financial outlook may be for a potential withdrawal of the regional police department. All members voted aye; motion carried.

2. Eichelberger's U-Pull-It escrow of \$5,000 – release the bond? **Motion** by Shearer, second by Luckenbaugh, to release the bond. All members voted aye; motion carried.

VII. Old Business

A. SHPS Generator – *tabled* from previous meeting.

B. Discussion was held on the fireworks ordinance – the one proposed is probably too restrictive. Supervisor Shearer noted his concern that the ordinance leans to more of residential areas, and not towards AP/RAC. He would like to see a separate fireworks ordinance to cover all types of fireworks-commercial and/or consumer. Needs to be re-worked.

VIII. New Business

Motion by Brenneman, second by Luckenbaugh, to authorize to purchase two new plows, for the loader and sterling truck, for 2019. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Mr. Brenneman reported that he had attended an APWA meeting. The speaker, a meteorologist predicted what the winter weather will be like, based on historical records for the past 30 or so years.

IX. General Public Comment

Willa Lefever, 4796 Lehman Road, proposed that the Board take a survey of the NCT residents to get their feelings on the proposed withdrawal from the SWRPD.

Kim Albert, 3783 Green Valley Road, requested a traffic study for Green Valley Road, noting that the volume of traffic has increased in the past number of years, because there are more homes and more driveways. She noted that the police department has agreed to set up a traffic data box very soon.

John Rebert, 1477 Sunnyside Road, asked if the results of tonight's Executive Session will be reported or discussed at the next Supervisors' meeting (the Reorganization meeting). Depends on the Solicitors, and what they say can be reported. Mr. Brenneman urged the free flow of information. Mr. Shearer noted that the Police Board Solicitor has said that no information should be shared, and all parties must abide by that determination.

Amy LeVault, 4149 Lehr Lane, relayed a story of being "stacked" for five hours in the queue of state police calls. She fears that the same thing will happen with the possible change in police protection for the Township.

John Brenneman, 1640 Seven Valleys Road, asked what will January 2019 bring as far as police protection is concerned? Same as the current coverage.

Kelly Stahlman, 4904 Bentz Road, urged the Board to consider all opinions, not just the opinions of anyone making the decisions.

X. Announcements

- A. Zoning Hearing Board meeting December 20, 7 p.m.
- B. Board of Supervisors Reorganization meeting January 7, 8 a.m.
- C. Elected Auditors Meeting January 8, 9 a.m.
- D. Southwestern Regional Police Board meeting January 9 and February 13, 7 p.m. at police headquarters.
- E. Planning Commission meeting January 22, 7 p.m.
- F. Rec Board meeting January 28, 7 p.m.
- G. Next Board of Supervisors meeting February 19, 7 p.m.

Mr. Luckenbaugh would like to revisit the ordinance about parking in the cul-de-sacs. He'd like to see why it was passed in the first place. Mr. Brenneman feels that there should be no parking at any time in a cul-de-sac.

At 7:46, the Board *recessed* to Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. No decisions will be made.

At 9:00, the Board reconvened, with no action taken.

Motion by Luckenbaugh, second by Shearer, to adjourn. All members voted aye; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Kerchner, Township Secretary/Manager