

**POTTER TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
MEETING OF March 13, 2017**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Potter Township Board of Supervisors was held Monday, March 13, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. at the Potter Township meeting room, 124 Short Road, Spring Mills, PA with Supervisors Dick Decker, Melvin Dutrow, Karl Eysenbach, and Denny Foust attending. Staff present: Road Supt. Budd Brooks, Secretary/Treas Lisa Kroner.

Staff absent: Jake Tanis

Guests present: Neal Metzger, David Martineau, Mary Carol Frier

At 7:00 P.M. Chairman Decker opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag.

**Public Comments** – Neal Metzger, M & G Realty, presented update on pursuing approvals for proposed Rutter’s Farm Stores. David Martineau, General Counsel representing Rutter’s Farm Stores, presented summary of project benefits and PennDOT permitting issues/solutions.

At 6:25 pm the public meeting was closed for the Public Hearing to receive public comments and to consider the adoption of an Ordinance amending Zoning Chapter 220-18 Rural Residential District, changing the permitted uses in Rural Residential District.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Chairman Decker opened the Public Hearing on proposed Ordinance No. 1 of 2017, and turned the meeting over to Solicitor Rayman. Solicitor Rayman reviewed the zoning change:

Section 220-18 of the Rural Residential District to remove the following as Permitted Uses and Structures: (7) Personal service, convenience, and retail business establishments; and (8) Variety and gift stores; Section 220-18 of the Rural Residential District adding the following as Permitted Uses and Structures: Neighborhood Retail Business Establishment including, but not limited to, small scale grocery stores, variety stores, bakeries, cafes, coffee shops, and similar uses. The total area of such uses shall not exceed two thousand (2,000) gross square feet. Outdoor seating areas are permitted. There were no questions or comments from the Board. There being no further comments, Chairman Decker closed the hearing at 6:28 pm.

At 7:30 pm the regular meeting was reconvened. Mr. Foust made a motion to approve the change in the Zoning Ordinance Chapter 220-18, seconded by Mr. Dutrow. Motion carried 4-0.

**Approval of the Meeting Minutes**

- Minutes of March 6, 2017 meeting were reviewed with a noted change from “Zoning Board Hearing” to “Hearing on Change to Zoning Ordinance”. Mr. Dutrow made a motion to approve the minutes as presented with the change as noted, seconded by Mr. Foust. **Motion carried 4-0.**
- Treasurer’s Report for February 28, 2017, was approved as presented by motion of Mr. Foust, seconded by Mr. Dutrow, **motion carried 4-0.**

**Centre Hall Fire Company** – Denny Foust announced the Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> Fire Company meeting will include a vote on performing the audit of the fire company books.

**Subdivisions**

Centre County Planning and Development office Request for Information Form regarding Minor Land Development plan for David & Holly Sterner reviewed. Stan Wallace, Zoning Officer, to review parking plan to assure compliance with Potter Township ordinances, as well as sewage issues.

## **Planning Commission Report – No report**

## **Penns Valley Regional Planning Commission- No report**

## **Tri-Municipal Park Report**

- The Tri-Municipal Park Board Open House on March 15, 2017, at the Potter Township building from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and then at the Old Gregg School building from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for continuing community involvement in the park.
- Line of Credit – JSSB application approval near final completion. Mr. Foust made a motion to approve Dick Decker as signatory and Jake Tanis as alternate for the Line of Credit on behalf of Potter Township. Mr. Dutrow seconded the motion, motion carried 4-0.

## **Solicitors Report**

- Filed complaint against appeal regarding SMP civil case
- Discussion on Local Tax Enabling Act

## **Secretary's Report – Lisa Kroner**

- Clearwater Conservancy 21<sup>st</sup> annual Watershed Cleanup Day scheduled for Saturday, April 22, 2017.
- Centre County Association of Township Officials Spring Convention will be held Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm, location change to Patton Township Building.
- Centre County Recycling & Refuse report listing recyclable materials collected in Potter Township during month of February 2017.
- CD at JSSB matures March 15<sup>th</sup>. Comparison of current interest rates reviewed. Mr. Eysenbach made a motion to move CD to an interest bearing account until CD rates improve. Motion seconded by Mr. Foust. Motion carried 4-0.

All correspondence was copied to the Supervisors. No questions.

## **Road Superintendent's Report – Budd Brooks**

- Road crew to provide assistance with Clearwater Conservancy 21<sup>st</sup> annual Watershed Cleanup Day
- VFW requested permission to use Potter Run Park on Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> from 2-4 pm for their annual Easter Egg Hunt. Mr. Eysenbach made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Mr. Foust. Motion carried 4-0.
- Paving bids will be opened at meeting on April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:15 pm
- Comparison of Liquid Fuels allocations for 2016 and 2017 distributed.
- PennDOT proposed road project for 2017 in Potter Township reported as milling and repaving from Boalsburg to Hoot Road
- Citizen complaints of vehicles not stopping at Stop sign intersection of Weaver Road and Sinking Creek Road. Engineer Franson to conduct a safety study in area. State Police notified of problem and asked to monitor area.
- County Club Park operations running smoothly
- Complaints received regarding poor condition of parking lot near recycling bins at Old Ford

## **Old Business**

- Potters Mills Central System – Nittany Engineering will assist with application for Pennvest grant.
- MPO report –Additional study of area from Potters Mills to Boalsburg looking at historical sites.
- Dump Woods discussion on sustainable forestry plan with possible paths.
- Bloom Road – No report.

**New Business - None**

**Open Discussion- None**

At 8:35 P.M. the regular meeting adjourned by motion of Mr. Foust and seconded by Mr. Dutrow.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa A. Kroner  
Secretary/Treasurer

MPO-  
SMP – Sewer Maintenance Program