

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS MEETING
March 7, 2018**

OFFICIALS PRESENT: SUPERVISORS: Chairman Donald S. Geistwhite, Jr
Vice-Chairman Steven Larson
William H. Goodhart

DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC SAFETY: Barry L. Sherman
SOLICITOR: Keith O. Brenneman
ZONING OFFICER: Mark D. Carpenter
MANAGER: Eileen M. Gault
FIRE CHIEF: Ed Beam
ENGINEER: Bud Grove

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Chairman Geistwhite called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Middlesex Township Building, with Township Solicitor Mr. Brenneman leading the pledge to the flag.

PUBLIC HEARING: Chairman Geistwhite announced that the first order of business is a Public Hearing in which Chairman Geistwhite then turned the meeting over to the Township Solicitor Mr. Brenneman. Mr. Brenneman reported that this public hearing is on the proposed amendment to Sections 503.B and 706.A of the Middlesex Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance. Mr. Brenneman gave a summary of the procedures followed prior to the hearing. Reviews and comments were provided by the Middlesex Township Planning Commission and the Cumberland County Planning Department. Mr. Brenneman then turned the hearing over to Chairman Geistwhite for public comment. There being no further questions or comments, Chairman Geistwhite declared the hearing closed.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Present was Mr. David Lenker, Supervisor of Silver Spring Township, expressing his gratitude and appreciation to Director of Public Safety Chief Barry L. Sherman. Mr. Lenker said Christmas eve there was a situation in which police helped with a family in need with no problem at the last minute. Mr. Lenker was an employee of Silver Spring Township for 10 years and wanted to let the Board know how Barry has been supportive over the years with the road crew and that Middlesex Township is fortunate to have a high caliber employee as well as staff that have been great to work with. Mr. Lenker also expressed his appreciation for the fire tax.

Paula Whitman, 97 S. Middlesex road, expressed her appreciation to Mr. Sherman and the road crew for the handling of the snow on the roads. She has had multiple issues with her neighbor with regards to a loose dog, unattended fires, noise and an inoperable vehicle that has been sitting on her neighbor's property for a couple of years now. Chief Sherman will look into the issues.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to approve the minutes of February 23, 2018.

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson was unanimously agreed to authorize the payment of the February 2018 bills.

REPORTS:

Solicitor – No report.

Engineer – Report items further down on the agenda.

Police – Chief Sherman submitted the monthly Police Report. There was a brief discussion of the report. Report entered into record.

Zoning – Mr. Carpenter submitted the monthly Zoning Report. There was a brief discussion of the report. Report entered into record.

Recreation/Recycling Coordinator – Mrs. Jumper submitted the Recreation Report. Report entered into record.

Fire/EMC – Chief Beam submitted the monthly Fire/EMC Report. There was a brief discussion of the report. Report entered into record.

Municipal Authority – Chairman Geistwhite reported that all is well with the Municipal Authority.

Manager – No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Final Minor Subdivision Plan for Rodney M. & Francine A. Groff: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson it was unanimously agreed to approve waivers of the following sections of the Middlesex Township Small Flow Sewage Treatment Facility Ordinance No. 2-95 (SFSTFO), the Middlesex Township Stormwater Management Ordinance No. 6-2011 (SWMO) and the Middlesex Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance No. 8-90 (SLDO), for the Final Minor Subdivision Plan for Rodney M. and Francine A. Groff

1. [SFTSFTO. 6.B.] – Minimum Land Area, to allow Small Flow Sewage Treatment Facility on lot area less than 3 acres, with deed restriction limiting lot area to 2.102 acres.
2. [SWMO 303.H.8.] – Infiltration Testing. Defer until time of building and zoning permit issuance for construction of residential single family detached dwelling.
3. [SLDO 502.b.(2)] – Conservation Analysis.
4. [SLDO 502.b.(1)] – Site Context Map.
5. [SLDO 602.a.] – Performance guarantee for all proposed site improvements. Defer until time of application for building and zoning permit for construction of residential single family detached dwelling.
6. [SLDO 703.c.] – Private Drives, to allow shared driveway for 3 properties.
7. [SLDO 709.a.] – Sidewalks along property frontage, with required note on plan.
8. [SLDO 710.a.] – Curbing along property frontage, with required note on plan.
9. [SLDO 719.c.(6)(b)] – Landscaping, Street Trees

On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to approve entering into an agreement with Rodney M. Groff and Francine A. Groff to allow use of a Small Flow Sewage Treatment Facility to serve a single family detached dwelling on proposed lot 2 on the Final Minor Subdivision Plan for Rodney M. and Francine A. Groff, subject to review of the agreement by Township Solicitor Mr. Brenneman.

On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson it was unanimously agreed to approve the Final Minor Subdivision Plan for Rodney M. and Francine A. Groff, subject to the following conditions:

1. That the applicant satisfies all comments of the Township Engineer, Bud Grove of Skelly & Loy, Inc. in written review dated February 24, 2018 in a manner acceptable to the Township Engineer, subject to his final review.
2. That the applicant satisfies all comments of the Cumberland County Planning Department, in written report dated December 15, 2017 for plat number 17-159.
3. That the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection approves the Public Sewer Planning Module for use of a Small Flow Sewage Treatment Facility to serve a single family detached dwelling on proposed lot 2 on the Final Minor Subdivision Plan for Rodney M. and Francine A. Groff, requesting sewage flows of 500 gallons per day.
4. That per Section 705.E.2.b. of the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance No. 8-90, as amended, the applicant pays to Middlesex Township the required fee in lieu of dedication of park and recreation areas for the residential subdivision of \$750 per dwelling unit x 1 lots approved for construction of dwelling units = \$750, prior to the plans being signed by the Township and released for recording.

Mr. Rodney M. Groff was present and agrees with the conditions.

Blue Beacon Truck Wash driveway widening request for Middlesex Township to be applicant for PennDot HOP: On the motion of Vice-Chairman Larson, seconded by Chairman Geistwhite, it was unanimously agreed to deny being an applicant for the PennDot Highway Occupancy Permit (HOP).

NEW BUSINESS:

Proposed adoption of Ordinance 1 – 2018 Amending Sections 503.B and 706.A of the Middlesex Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson it was unanimously agreed to adopt Ordinance 1 – 2018, amending Sections 503.B and 706.A of the Middlesex Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance.

Land Development Plan for Liberty at Middlesex Distribution & Warehousing request no. 1 for reduction of improvement security: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson it was unanimously agreed to acting on the written recommendation of Township Engineer Bud Grove in memorandum dated March 5, 2018, approve the request for reduction of improvement security being held for the Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan for Liberty at Middlesex Distribution & Warehousing by \$3,109,396.97 to \$930,695.68, subject to receiving the reduced amount of improvement security in a form acceptable to the Township Solicitor.

Land Development Plan for Keystone Arms commercial lot #163 request for release of Improvement Security: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson it was unanimously agreed to acting on the written recommendation of Township Engineer Bud Grove in memorandum dated March 6, 2018, approve the request for release of improvement security being held for the Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan of Commercial Lot #163 for Keystone Arms, subject to receiving the required maintenance security in an amount of \$28,227.64, in a form acceptable to the Township Solicitor, to be held for a period of 18 months from the date of deposit with the Township to assure the structural integrity and functioning of the improvements.

PPL – Juniata – West Carlisle 69kV Line Rebuild: Mr. Carpenter was contacted by PPL about an upgrade at the Township Park to widen the right of way to 100ft. After much discussion of the improved minor revision to the parking lot, on the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to acknowledge receipt from PPL electric utilities a letter dated 2/23/2018 and to allow surveying subject to the Township Solicitors review and approval.

Authorization to advertise for Emulsion bids: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Director of Public Safety Mr. Sherman to advertise for Emulsion bids.

Mr. Sherman then requested approval to resurface Teaberry Drive 800 feet to Sherwood Drive, Fieldstone Drive and W. Middlesex Drive to the township line. On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the resurfacing of Teaberry Drive 800 feet to Sherwood Drive, Fieldstone Drive and W. Middlesex Drive to the township line.

Mr. Sherman then reported that at the Compost Facility 989 ton of compost was collected in 2017, hauled in by 5384 vehicles, which results in over 300 ton more than 2016.

Executive Session: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. to Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. The Board reconvened at 8:20 p.m.

On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize Township Solicitor Mr. Brenneman and Fire Chief Mr. Beam to draft and execute a letter to West Shore ALSA/Holy Spirit Geisinger, regarding medic self-dispatching and inappropriate and un-professional behavior.

There being no further business, on the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.