

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISOR MEETING
August 7, 2019**

OFFICIALS PRESENT: SUPERVISORS: Chairman Donald S. Geistwhite, Jr.
Vice-Chairman Steven Larson
William H. Goodhart
SOLICITOR: Keith O. Brenneman
PUBLIC SAFETY
DIRECTOR: Barry L. Sherman
ZONING OFFICER: Mark D. Carpenter
MANAGER: Eileen M. Gault
FIRE CHIEF: Ed Beam

OFFICIALS ABSENT: 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 COMMENT: Mr. & Mrs. Scott Barrick had proposed subdividing a 4.92-acre parcel into a proposed building lot with the residual lot that has an existing home. The existing lot with the home would contain 2.33 acres and the proposed lot will contain the remaining 2.58 acres. There is an intermittent stream on the property that would allow for a small flow treatment facility system pending Township and DEP approval. Three waivers are needed in order to allow for the small flow treatment facility system. On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson it was unanimously agreed to approve the two waivers per Mr. Barrick's letter dated August 5, 2019.

Waiver 1- Section 6 B: Request that the requirement of 3 acres for the proposed lot be waived. The proposed lot is 2.58 acre. DEP has no limitations on lot size for small flow treatment facilities. Each site is look at individually to determine if the system will not cause a public health hazard or nuisance (See Section H.2.c of the instructions for completing component 3s Small flow Treatment Facilities, attached).

Waiver 2 – Section 6 C: Request that the wastewater be allowed to discharge to a dry stream. DEP allows three different methods to treat and dispose of the wastewater. Method 2 of section H in the instructions for completing component 3s Small Flow Treatment Facilities allows the wastewater to be discharged to a dry stream (see attached).

Waiver 3 would be an easement to be approved by the Township.

Copies of the plan along with planning module with the proper fees are to be submitted to the Township for review by the Planning Commission and approval of the Board of Supervisors.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to approve the minutes of June 5, 2019.

On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to approve the minutes of June 28, 2019.

July 3, 2019 meeting cancelled.

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the payments of the July and August 2019 bills.

REPORTS:

Solicitor – No report.

Engineer – Absent. No report.

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 was entered into record.

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

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

Mr. Beam then reported on an on-going hoarding situation at Mel-Ron Court that has been discussed in the past. Mr. Beam has been asked by EMS / Fire personnel that respond in Middlesex Township to address this issue with the Board of Supervisors. Office of aging has been notified. There is nothing that can be done on behalf of the Township.

Municipal Authority – Chairman Geistwhite reported that everything is going well and that the Authority is selling more water to North Middleton.

Manager – The Manager reported that she along with Carrol Ehrhart of Skelly and Loy, Inc. met with Jineen Boyle who is the Water Shed Manager with DEP. The process for the water quality improvement projects grant agreement has been completed and the Township has received the executed agreement. Jineen went over all the paperwork that is to be completed for submission of reimbursement. Payments for work performed will be made quarterly, however, the Township can request 20% of the total grant as advance payment. On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice- Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Township Manager to submit the paperwork necessary to obtain the 20% of the advance grant payment.

The Manager gave an update on the status of Wolf Bridge. The County is waiting to hear back from PennDOT on the reimbursement agreement which has expired, so either a new one is needed or the current one amended. The construction phase is now 100% federally funded and will include funding to rehab another bridge. As of now all submissions are completed. The Supervisors are not happy about what seems to be another delay to the Wolf Bridge closure.

OLD BUSINESS:

MS4 Project Summary – Skelly and Loy, Inc.: Carrol Ehrhart and Dody Fawley were present to discuss the draft Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program (IDD&E) and the Combined Public Education and Outreach Program and Public Involvement (PEOP) and Participation Program (PIPP). These programs were summarized and discussed how they pertain to Middlesex Township's MS4 requirements.

Skelly and Loy, Inc. Proposal for Pollutant Reduction Projects: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice – Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to execute the proposal from Skelly and Loy, Inc. for the pollutant reduction projects pertaining to the Township's MS4 requirements at a total cost of \$286,000.

Cumberland Steel Supply Land Develop Plan Time Extension: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to accept an extension of the maximum time period for action on the Cumberland Steel Supply Land Development Plan until November 8, 2019.

NEW BUSINESS:

Cumberland County Tax Claim Bureau Repository Sale Consent: These properties were subject to both statutory upset sale and judicial sale, but no bids were received to satisfy the municipal and/or school tax obligations that were owed on the properties. With the properties being in repository status, there is no tax revenue being generated. The Real Estate Tax Sale Law provides that the Tax Claim Bureau may accept an offer of any price on properties placed in the repository of unsold properties with the consent of all taxing districts where the property is located. On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to consent to Cumberland County selling the three (3) properties in Middlesex Township listed on the County Repository List under their cover letter dated July 29, 2019.

Proposed support of Cumberland County Resolution 2019 - 21: – On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to support Cumberland County Resolution 2019 – 21 urging public awareness meetings by hazardous liquids pipeline operators.

Authorization to pave a portion of N. Old Stonehouse Road: – The Director of Public Safety requested permission to pave a portion of N. Old Stonehouse Road. On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Director of Public Safety to pave a portion of N. Old Stonehouse Road.

Bids for line striping: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Director of Public Safety Mr. Sherman to obtain bids for line striping.

There being no further business, on the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m.