

LAWRENCE PARK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
May 11, 2022

6:00 p.m.

4230 Iroquois Avenue

In Attendance: Commissioner T. Benovic, Commissioner J. Golden, Commissioner B. Rodemaker, Commissioner S. Trojak, Solicitor A. Martinucci, Engineer T. Podskalny, Secretary C. Cunningham

~Commissioner T. Benovic called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was performed. ~

~ Commissioner B. Rodemaker motioned to accept a letter of intent from Sarah Trojak to fill the vacant seat on the Board of Commissioners; Commissioner J. Golden seconded and the motion passed. ~

~Solicitor A. Martinucci administered the oath of office to Sarah Trojak.~

~Commissioner T. Benovic asked for nominations for President of the Board. Commissioner B. Rodemaker nominated Joe Golden, Commissioner S. Trojak seconded the motion, second request for nominations-None., with all in favor the motion carried.

~Commissioner J. Golden asked for nominations for Vice President of the Board. Commissioner B. Rodemaker nominated Tammy Benovic, Commissioner S. Trojak seconded the motion, second request for nominations-None., with all in favor the motion carried.

Assignment of Departments:

Administration/Buildings – Joseph Golden

Streets/Sanitation – Commissioner Barry Rodemaker

Parks/Recreation/Safety – Commissioner Tammy Benovic

Fire Department – Commissioner Sarah Trojak

Sewer Department – Commissioner Janet Cabaday

The Commissioners added that there would be point people learning different departments other than their assigned department therefore there will always be a Commissioner to fill in for the absence of a Commissioner during their leave.

~Commissioner T. Benovic made a motion to approve appointments of departments, Commissioner B. Rodemaker seconded the motion; the motion carried. ~

Visitors: N/A

Signed in to speak: N/A

Reports:

Engineers Report:

- **Lakeside Boat Launch Rehab-Project 2** - The Contractor, Konzel Construction, has submitted a project construction schedule showing work starting on May 11, 2022 and ending July 14, 2022. That overall schedule is consistent with their previously stated estimated 7-week construction time frame. The delay in start time is attributed by the contractor to just having received epoxy needed for rebar installation on May 9, 2022, which was ordered on February 20, 2022. Konzel Construction has indicated that they will attempt to expedite the project's construction where possible. Based upon the schedule submitted, Urban recommends that the contract extension be granted to July 15, 2022, and we will prepare the proper paperwork with the Township's concurrence.
- **Soudan Lift Station** – Urban received requested updated details from the pump manufacturer/supplier's representative on 5/9/2022 which have been reviewed by Urban. A full set of final plans and specifications for the pump station and its appurtenances from the pump manufacturer/supplier's representative are expected to be received by May 20, 2022. A complete updated set of plans and specifications will be provided to the Township for final review.

Permitting:

DEP Component 3 (Sewage Facilities Planning Module)-

The Component 3 Module may be submitted to the PADEP for review and approval dependent upon a final determination as to USDA funding is made and the adoption of the Resolution before the Board tonight (for Sewage Facilities Plan Revision).

DEP Water Quality Management (WQM) Permit-

The WQM permitting package (consisting of technical pump station design, including pumps, bar screens, wet well, new sanitary sewers, etc.), may be submitted to the DEP for concurrent review with the Component 3 submittal once all plans have been received from the pump station manufacturer and final plans and specs have been prepared.

PennDOT highway Occupancy permit (H.O.P.) –

The project's required H.O.P. Permit was approved by PennDOT on April 19, 2022.

Urban is preparing an updated cost estimate for Township review to aid in the final determination of funding sources, and is awaiting updated pump station costs from the manufacturer before completing. Once it is confirmed whether the Township will proceed with USDA Loan funding, Urban will prepare a final set of construction plans and specifications. If the continued use of USDA Loan funding, Urban will prepare a final set of construction plans and specifications. If the continued use of USDA Loan funding is confirmed, then Urban will submit the final plans and specifications, together with any outstanding information requested by USDA, for their review and approval.

Solicitors Report:

- We continue to work on the issue of the MDJ's enforcement of Township Ordinances.
- Related to this, we are working on several more amendments to the Township's codified ordinances (regarding curfews, fireworks, trees/shade tree commission, and costs related to Zoning appeal hearings), and are looking into whether we might be able to use anything in this process to bootstrap a resolution to the other matter.
- All work related to the small borrowing with Northwest Bank regarding the new truck.
- We are working on the property description and draft deed for the land swap with the school district. We have the draft deed from the school district, and since both parties are relying on the information provided in the Urban Engineer's report, we expect things to go smoothly from this point on.

~Commissioner T. Benovic made a motion to approve all reports as presented. Commissioner B. Rodemaker seconded the motion; the motion carried. ~

Bills:

Commissioner B. Rodemaker made a motion to pay bills as presented, Commissioner T. Benovic seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Minutes:

Commissioner T. Benovic made a motion to approve BOC Minutes from April 13, 2022, Commissioner B. Rodemaker seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Resolutions:

- Commissioner J. Golden read aloud Resolution 2022-11 Plan Revision for New Land Development (Soudan's Lift Station) and moved to approve with the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner B. Rodemaker; "aye"; Commissioner T. Benovic; "aye"; Commissioner J. Golden; "aye"; Commissioner S. Trojak; "aye" with all in favor, Resolution 2022-11 was duly approved.

Old Business: N/A

New Business:

~Commissioner B. Rodemaker motioned to hire Carl Voltz as Summer help at \$10 per hour, Commissioner T. Benovic seconded the motion; the motion carried. ~

~Commissioner J. Golden alerted the Board that the State Police has opted to accept the extension of their lease as spelled out their contract with the Township. ~

~Commissioner J. Golden stated that with the remaining HVAC money for buildings he would like to erect simple traditional signage in front of the Municipal Building depicting the Municipal Offices. ~

~Commissioner J. Golden stated that he had contacted the County regarding grants for revitalization within the Township. ~

~Commissioner T. Benovic stated that there has been no response regarding job opportunities for summer parks positions. Due to the decline of attendance and lack of use of the parks the thought for this Summer would be to do multiple organized events at both parks both days and evenings. Commissioner will be looking for volunteers to help coordinate these events. Details will be discussed and posted at a later date.~

~Commissioner T. Benovic stated that the July 4th Festivities will resume as normal this year.~

~Commissioner T. Benovic motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Commissioner B. Rodemaker seconded; the motion carried. ~

Respectfully Submitted:

Cindy Jo Cunningham
Board of Commissioner's Secretary