

LAWRENCE PARK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
December 14, 2022

6:00 p.m.

4230 Iroquois Avenue

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

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

Visitors: Chuck Clorley, Charles Curtis, Karen Barringer, Dale Durst, Bryan Stempka

Signed in to speak: Chuck Clorley, Dale Durst, Bryan Stempka

~Chuck Clorley spoke to the Board concerning the footbridge and his thoughts were is it possible for his employer to help to repair the bridge.

~Bryan Stempka stated that his company would be willing to help with the restoration/repair/replacement of the footbridge whatever is needed and they would be available to assist in the process. Commissioner J. Golden informed the residents that the bridge is in fact not repairable and will need replaced and the Township is actively looking into grants for replacement. The existing bridge is in fact encroaching onto private property and the property owners expressed their concerns in that they would like the bridge to be moved to another location.

~Dale Durst requested that the no mining signage please be replaced at the boat launch as people are continuing to take stone from the beach adding to the erosion problem. Commissioner T. Benovic said that she would take care of such signage.

REPORTS:

Engineers Report:

Soudan Lift Station -the Lexis group did the test hole for the 15' DIP force main (4.6'deep) Urban will be updating and finalizing the design based on the above information.

DCED Grant for Cunningham Lift Station – Grinder:

- \$30K (Min) to \$500K (Max) with 15% Matching Funds (match can be from other grant/sources).
- Submittal 12/21/2022 due, need to coordinate with Township for \$100 Application Fee.
- DEP WQM Permit to be coordinated upon project design start up.

Solicitors Report:

- We have finalized work on an Ordinance to dissolve the Lawrence Park Township Planning Commission and to establish the Lawrence Park Township Planning Committee, which will be a Committee of the Board of Commissioners.
- We have reviewed the previous ordinances slated for review by the (soon to be dissolved) planning commission (curfew, elimination of the shade tree commission, and fireworks) to make sure they were ready for consideration and adoption in early 2023.
- We are working on a comprehensive ordinance to address Township fees for various administrative processes.
- We have addressed questions regarding the need for a Zoning Hearing Board and limitations on what functions the Zoning Enforcement Officer can perform in the absence of one.

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

Bills:

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

Minutes:

- Commissioner T. Benovic made a motion to approve BOC Minutes from November 9, 2022, and November 22, 2022 (budget), Commissioner J. Moffett seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Resolution:

- Commissioner J. Golden read aloud Resolution 2022-18 the EACOG 2023 Budget and 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”; Commissioner J. Moffett; “aye” with all in favor, Resolution 2022-18 was duly approved.
- Commissioner J. Golden read aloud Resolution 2022-19 the 2021 EACOG Audit and 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”; Commissioner J. Moffett; “aye” with all in favor, Resolution 2022-19 was duly approved.
- Commissioner J. Golden read aloud Resolution 2022-20 the 2023 Tax Millage and 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”; Commissioner J. Moffett; “aye” with all in favor, Resolution 2022-20 was duly approved.
- Commissioner J. Golden read aloud Resolution 2022-21 the 2023 Sewer Rates and 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”; Commissioner J. Moffett; “aye” with all in favor, Resolution 2022-21 was duly approved.
- Commissioner J. Golden read aloud Resolution 2022-22 the PA Small Water and Sewer Program grant and 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”; Commissioner J. Moffett; “aye” with all in favor, Resolution 2022-22 was duly approved

New Business:

~ Commissioner B. Rodemaker made a motion to approve hiring Shawn Giles as part time plow driver, Commissioner J. Moffett seconded the motion; the motion carried.

~ Commissioner B. Rodemaker made a motion to approve hiring Hunter Knapp as substitute Crossing Guard, Commissioner T. Benovic seconded the motion; the motion carried.

~ Solicitor Martinucci discussed with the Board concerning the Cable Franchise and accepting the proposal from Cohen Law group to perform such services in combination with the COG to achieve reduced rates~

~ Commissioner T. Benovic made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-04 abolishing the Planning Commission and establishing the Planning Committee, Commissioner S. Trojak seconded the motion; the motion carried

Executive Session:

~ The Board excused for an executive session at 6:31 p.m.~

~ The Board reconvened at 7:15 p.m.~

~ Commissioner T. Benovic motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Commissioner S. Trojak seconded; the motion carried. ~

Respectfully Submitted:

Cindy Jo Cunningham
Board of Commissioner’s Secretary