

Eden Township Board of Supervisors Minutes of the April 13, 2015 Meeting

Call-to-Order: Supervisor Ellis Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance: Supervisors Ellis Ferguson, David Rohrer and David Rineer, also Mark Rudy, Gerry Parker and Szilvia Troutman, and the following members of the public: Tony Lombardi, Joseph Rineer, David F. Stoltzfus, Menno K. Stoltzfus, Emanuel F. Stoltzfus, Ivan D. Stoltzfus, Jacob K. Stoltzfus, David B. Smucker, Morgan E. Foose Jr., John S. Stoltzfus, Richard McEvey, Jesse L. Lapp, Henry K. Stoltzfus, Isaac Glick, Levi M. Fisher, Lynn Commero and Dave Steel.

Public Participation:

Township Auditor Tony Lombardi was present to give a report about the audit of Township records for 2014 (see attached).

Joseph Rineer (45 Skyview Drive) and other residents of the Township as listed above were in attendance to discuss any updates regarding the closed lane off Pumping Station Road. Phase 1 of the bog turtle study has been completed, but Phase 2 is necessary and will be done within the next couple of weeks. Bryan Cutler's office had contacted PennDot on Mr. Rineer's behalf and was informed by PennDot that they were working to resolve issues in the area and the pipe under the driveway is the Township's responsibility.

Mr. Rineer mentioned recent newspaper articles about Lancaster County Parks offering land for rent to residents to grow gardens. He wondered why Eden Township is not able to do the same. Mark Rudy answered that the program was offered to people without access to land and did not allow for the resale of produce.

Levi Fisher (180 Springville Road) asked how he could retrieve his escrow funds. Gerry explained that an inspection by Ed Fisher is needed to check for stormwater improvements at the building site. Mr. Fisher questioned why a driveway trench was required at his property at 178 Springville Rd if it was not on the plan. Gerry answered that Mr. Fisher must not have the final plan, as the plan approved by Twp. Engineer Ed Fisher requires a driveway trench to be installed. Mr. Fisher also brought up some issues related to the basement of his new house – with a bathroom and full kitchen downstairs, the basement qualified as a 2nd residence, SEO Marvin Stoner would not give his approval and a U&O permit could not be issued until the stove was taken out.

David Stoltzfus (65 Hess Road) inquired if there were any updates regarding the surveyed area of the Rail Trail. Mark had walked the trail with Ed Fisher. They located all but one stake. Mr. Stoltzfus claimed that some stakes had been moved by the engineers after the initial survey. Mark believes that old maps must have been used for the survey initially, not reflecting the sale of a parcel. The stakes were moved to reflect the current property lines.

Menno K. Stoltzfus (67 Hess Road) asked if the Township would fight against reopening the lane off Pumping Station Road if the matter was taken to court. The Supervisors explained that they were not in a position to respond until all legal options were explored and all related issues (e.g. bog turtle study) were settled.

Minutes: The minutes of the March 9, 2015 Board of Supervisors Meeting were reviewed. David Rohrer made a motion, seconded by David Rineer to approve the minutes, motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report for March 2015, in the amount of \$274,802.04 (attached), was approved unanimously on a motion by Ellis Ferguson and second by David Rohrer.

Payment of Bills: The list of bills to be paid in April 2015, in the amount of \$57,840.44, was approved on a motion by David Rohrer, seconded by David Rineer, motion carried unanimously.

SEO Report: The SEO report listed activity of \$0.00 for the month of March 2015 (attached).

Tax Collector's Report: The Tax Collector's Report listed activity of \$11,725.01 for the month of March 2015.

Zoning Officer's Report: Gerry Parker presented the Zoning Officer's Report in the amount of \$303.00 for the month of March 2015 (attached). The return of escrow to Daniel Glick (306 Haiti Rd), as approved by Ed Fisher, was authorized by the Supervisors as part of the bills to be paid in April 2015.

Road Master's Report: Mark Rudy submitted the Road Master's report of activity in March 2015 (attached). Various options were discussed to fix Furnace Road. Due to budget constraints, the only feasible way to save the road is skin patching. (The cost of reclaiming and repaving would exceed \$200,000.)

Solanco Public Safety Committee: No report.

Emergency Management: No report.

Southern Lancaster County Inter-Municipal Council: LCPC was present to discuss upcoming changes related to SALDO processing.

Correspondence: Received correspondence was reviewed and disseminated. The Supervisors agreed to sign up for the SIDES e-Response system for UC information requests.

Old Business:

Menno Stoltzfus (67 Hess Road) – The Supervisors discussed a memo from Janice Longer to decide whether Menno Stoltzfus could keep his horse on Township property along the Rail Trail. It was decided to allow the horse on the Township's property as long as Mr. Stoltzfus keeps the area mowed and doesn't tie fence posts to the guard rail. The agreement will be revisited on a yearly basis.

Stony Hill Road Bridge Replacement (PennDot) – Upon reviewing paperwork received from the contractor, Mark and Szilvi noticed that the bridge at 132-136 Stony Hill Road (near Springville Road) was incorrectly marked on the maps provided. The contractor will make sure the error is corrected. The Supervisors had no concerns regarding the replacement of the bridge at Camargo Road.

New Business:

Change to Twp. Fee Schedule: On a motion by Ellis Ferguson and second by David Rineer, the Supervisors unanimously approved amending the Township Fee Schedule to add Zoning Hearing Continuances at a rate of \$250.

Professional Services for Next Phase of Work on Rail Trail: At the request of Providence Twp., the Supervisors unanimously agreed to award the bid for professional design services for the next phase of work on the Rail Trail to Wilson Associates.

Public Participation: None.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ellis Ferguson and seconded by David Rineer. The motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Szilvia Troutman

Ellis E. Ferguson

David R. Rohrer

David G. Rineer