

HALIFAX TOWNSHIP
102 Fisher Street
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
March 8, 2021 7:00 p.m.
Public Meeting and by Virtual Conference

CALL TO ORDER - Chairman Bechtel called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL - Supervisors Bechtel, Bruner, Paul, Schreffler and McBurney are present along with Secretary Wendy M. Wentzel, and Roadmaster Tim Belk. Also present were Solicitor Bruce Warshawsky and Engineer Marc Kurowski.

MEETING RECORDING – The Secretary is the only person reportedly recording the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – No executive sessions took place.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – Chairman Bechtel read a thank you note from the Upper Dauphin Human Services Center thanking the Township for the donation of \$1,000.

SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORT

Paid Interim Bills – Motion was made by Supervisor Paul and second by Supervisor McBurney to approve the paid interim bills thru March 8, 2021. Vote called. Motion carries 5-0. **Current Unpaid Bills – Motion** was made by Supervisor McBurney and second by Supervisor Schreffler to pay the unpaid bills through March 8, 2021. Vote called. Motion carries 5-0. **February 8, 2021 Minutes – Motion** was made by Supervisor Paul and second by Supervisor McBurney to approve the Minutes of the February 8, 2021 meeting. Vote called. Motion carries 5-0. **February 22, 2021 Minutes – Motion** was made by Supervisor Schreffler and second by Supervisor Paul to approve the Meeting Minutes of the February 22, 2021 meeting. Vote called. Motion carries 5-0. **Financial Report** – Placed on file for audit at a later period.

EMC REPORT – Ambulance Workers Compensation – The Board okayed the payment of the Ambulance’s Workers Comp coverage. EMC Tim Neiter was present to give his report on most recent activities. He attended two trainings with April 17th being the next training event. Reporting for the Fire Department Tim announced that the Fire Department is receiving \$50,000 from the gaming monies grant application. He noted that the fire department is working on retention replacement, recruitment, training monthly with the latest on ropes and rig and decontamination. They are also looking at a 20-year replacement plan for apparatus.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS – The Planning Commission is making recommendation for conditional approval of DDGJ’s application for the land development on North River Road for self-storage units.

Motion was made by Supervisor Schreffler and second by Supervisor Paul to approve the waiver of Sections 404 – Preliminary Plan Procedure, and 606 and 607 (Curbs and Sidewalks) of the SALDO. Vote called. Motion carries 5-0.

Motion was made by Supervisor McBurney and second by Supervisor Paul to conditionally approve the submitted plans with the following to be satisfied as set forth in the February 22, 2021 Township Engineer’s memo: B.2-17, inclusive, B.18(a, b and f), B.19, C-1-19, inclusive and E.1-4, inclusive. In addition, two dedicated parking spaces are to be provided pursuant to the comments of B.18 a/f. Vote called. Motion carries 5-0.

ENGINEER REPORT – Engineer covered his report dated March 1, 2021, for services during February and placed on record. All items are on the agenda. An update on Hershey Road was provided.

SOLICITOR REPORT – Solicitor Warshawsky submitted his report dated March 5, 2021 for services during February 2021. The report will be placed on record. Bold text items are on the agenda. He noted that he has made initial contact with PennDOT regarding the sycamore trees.

ROADMASTER REPORT – Roadmaster Belk gave a recap of his report for the month of February. He noted that its chip seal and paving time. The Supervisors will be going around the Township with the Roadmaster to determine what road need chipped or paved. The Roadmaster also brought to the Board’s attention the number of complaints received for the loose chips on Fellowship, Lauren Lane and Galli Road. Tim reported that Russell Standard was sending out a truck to sweep the loose stones in the near future.

SEO REPORT – Report submitted for the record.

FRIENDS OF FORT HALIFAX – Report was submitted. There were no action items. A meeting in early April will be held at the request of Anna Yelk of the PA Conservancy with Supervisors and someone from the Friends of Fort Halifax. The Friends of Fort Halifax requested that the field north of the building be mowed the week of April 5th and June 7th for the archeology dig taking place.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Fisherville Fire Company Donation Letter – No action was taken.

Dividend Check – EMC - The Township received a dividend check in the amount of \$5,514.34.

OLD BUSINESS

HARA – Bill Corsnitz, of HARA, was present as a follow up to last month’s meeting asking the Township if they would be willing to contribute to the cost of the Fees for a site plan of the soccer fields. Upon discussion, Mr. Corsnitz shared that he attended meetings at Wayne, Jackson and Reed Townships along with Halifax Borough. At the time of this meeting, HARA was waiting to see how much Wayne Township was willing to contribute. **Motion** was made by Supervisor Bruner and second by Supervisor Schreffler to donate \$2,000 if Wayne Township was willing to contribute \$500. Vote called. Motion carries 5-0.

A to Z Construction – All documents received and will be reviewed for next month’s meeting.

North Country Unlimited – Board will convene to executive session.

Kieffer Road – Everything is ready for Ordinance Adoption at next month’s meeting.

Railroad Crossing – Supervisor McBurney reached out to Sunbury Borough. They asked that he reach out to the Borough in the spring after the snow season as they have been busy with winter maintenance.

Boyer Street – **Motion** was made by Supervisor Bruner and second by Supervisor Paul to send a letter to the parcel owners along Boyer Street between 2nd Street and Third Street informing them of the Township’s intentions to mark part of the block on both sides of the street as no parking. Vote called. Motion carries 5-0.

Kissinger Road Traffic Study – No action will be taken.

Fort Halifax Barn and Farmhouse – On the agenda for next month.

Kemble Stormwater Management – **Motion** was made by Supervisor Schreffler and second by Supervisor Paul to conditionally approve the submitted stormwater management application. Vote called. Motion carries 5-0.

Nicholson Stormwater Management Application – **Motion** was made by Supervisor Bruner and second by Supervisor Paul to conditionally approve the submitted stormwater management application. Vote called. Motion carries 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

EOP Resolution – Motion was made by Supervisor Bruner and second by Supervisor Paul to waive the reading of the Resolution to adopt Dauphin County' Emergency Operations Procedures. Vote called. **Motion** carries 5-0. Motion was made by Supervisor Bruner and second by Supervisor Paul to pass the resolution. Vote called. Motion carries 5-0.

Camp Site Request – Motion was made by Supervisor McBurney and second by Supervisor Paul to allow a local Cub Scout Troop of 8 – 10 sub scouts to camp overnight at the Fort Halifax camping area and waive the camping permit fee. Vote called. Motion carries 5-0.

Southern PA Area Association of Rocketry – Motion was made by Supervisor Paul and second by Supervisor Schreffler to grant permission for the use of Fort Halifax by the Southern PA Area Association of Rocketry on Saturday, May 1st, 2021, July 31, 2021, and September 18, 2021. Vote called. Motion carries 5-0.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

A to Z Construction, Kieffer Road, Fort Halifax, North Country Unlimited

ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 5, 2021 – Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00 pm

April 12, 2021 – Board of Supervisor Regular Monthly Meeting – 7:00 pm

May 14th and 15th – Cleanup Days

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Supervisor Bruner and second by Supervisor Schreffler to adjourn at 9:23 pm. Vote called. Motion carries 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wendy M. Wentzel
Secretary