

NEW GARDEN TOWNSHIP
299 STARR ROAD
LANDENBERG, PA 19350
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 22ND
7:00 P.M.

Present:

Stephen Allaband, Chairman

Randy Geouque

Patrick Little

Michael Loftus

Tony Scheivert, Manager

Vince Pompo, Solicitor

Gerald Simpson, Police Chief

Kenny Reed, Public Works Director

Lewis Gay, Secretary/ Treasurer

Jon Martin, Airport Manager

Peg Jones

Christine Witherspoon

Stuart Roberts

Pete Scilla

Donna Lewis

Andy Mazzeo, SECCRA

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Allaband called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

C. 1. PERSONS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD

a. Peg Jones and Stuart Roberts of the Historical Commission presented information to the Board regarding a Vacancy Ordinance request. They stated that this would assist the Township when addressing vacant properties and could potentially require homeowners to apply for a permit.

b. Somerset Lake HOA – Growing Greener Grant Co-sponsor Request- Pete Scilla and Donna Lewis prepared a power point presentation regarding maintenance and improvements already completed and additional planned improvements to the lake area. The HOA is applying for a Growing Greener Grant to assist with performing maintenance

and improvements to their lake and request that the Township Co-sponsor the request. They will use F.X. Browne to assist them with this project.

Motion by Mr. Little and second by Mr. Loftus to support the Somerset Lake HOA grant application and with in-kind Township services. The motion was approved.

c. SECCRA – Andy Mazzeo requested to approve Resolution # 736, consent to extension of term of existence from the State for the Joint Municipal Authority for an additional 50 years.

Motion by Mr. Loftus and second by Mr. Little to approve Resolution #736 for consent to extension of term of existence of joint municipal authority for an additional 50 years for SECCRA and motion was unanimously approved.

2. PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE RECOGNIZED

Christine Witherspoon presented several comments and concerns regarding airport property activities: 1) The shooting range noise level and amount of use 2) Increase of hangar facilities- conduct a survey of the impact on local residents and increased sound 3) Recent Balloon Festival and other activities that increased noise levels and effected nearby residences and businesses.

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. 170 Scarlet Road- Solicitor Pompo commented on previous action of the Board. Applicant met with Historical Commission.

Motion by Mr. Little and second by Mr. Geouque to approve Historical Commission recommendation to issue a demolition permit. The motion was unanimously approved.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Harrogate North HOA – Sewer Bill relief request

HOA had a leak in irrigation system causing a spike in the sewer bill. None of the additional water usage went into the sewer system. Request relief from two sewer billings for a total of \$8,020.00.

Motion by Mr. Little and second by Mr. Loftus to amend bill to \$1,408.50 (based upon prior usage), for each of 2 billing cycles for total of \$2,807.00 and give credit on HOA account for overpayment of \$7,385.00. The motion was unanimously approved.

2. New Garden Flying Field – Hangar Site Work Bid results and award

Jon Martin updated the Board. Bids were opened on June 16, 2015, with the low bidder Daisy Construction for \$723,842.50. L.R. Kimball reviewed the bids and recommends awarding the bid to Daisy Construction.

Motion by Mr. Loftus and second by Mr. Little to accept Daisy Construction bid of \$723,842.50, contingent upon approval by BOA. Motion was unanimously approved.

3. Patterson Schwartz – Property Management Proposal to assist Township with management at Lamborn House. The fee would be \$1,500 plus 10% of monthly rental fees. Anticipates revenues of \$1,500 per month.

Motion by Mr. Little and second by Mr. Loftus to approve level one management agreement with Patterson Schwartz was approved by a vote of 3-1, with Mr. Geouque opposing.

4. Harlow Pointe – Financial Security Release #2 provided by Pennoni Associates. Township Engineer's recommendation is to release \$82,845.38 leaving a balance after release of \$2,012,166.59.

Motion by Mr. Geouque second by Mr. Little for financial security release #2 of \$82,845.38, regarding Harlow Pointe, was unanimously approved.

5. Resolution #737- To allow Township Manager to sign application for Traffic Signal Approval through PennDot at Route 41 and Newark Road.

Motion by Mr. Loftus, second by Mr. Little and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution #737 allowing Township Manager to sign application for traffic signal improvements at Route 41 and Newark Road.

F. FUNCTIONAL AREA UPDATES

1. Administration

a. Manager –

1. Balloon Festival Recap by Jon Martin. About 13,000 people in attendance. High winds limited some of the activities but the festival was a successful event.

2. Solicitor

a. None

3. Treasurer

a. Motion by Mr. Little and second by Mr. Geouque to approve list of disbursements in the amount of \$114,730.20 was approved with Mr. Allaband recusing on Richard M. Crossan bill of \$110.50.

b. There was no paid bills report

G. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES- No meeting minutes were presented for approval.

H. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS GENERAL DISCUSSION- None

I. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS(S) HELD OR SCHEDULED:

Chairman Allaband announced the Board will recess to hold an executive session to discuss real estate, legal and personnel matters.

The Board recessed at 8:37pm and reconvened at 9:42pm.

J. OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Suzanne Geouque was present and discussed Park & Recreation Activities and the need for more Parks and Rec Committee Board members.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Little and second by Mr. Loftus to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 10:17pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lewis Gay,
Secretary