

**East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors**

**April 28, 2020**

**Regular Business Meeting Minutes**

The regular business meeting of the East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors was held at 7:00p.m. on April 28, 2020 in the Township meeting room at the East Rockhill Township Municipal Building, 1622 North Ridge Road, Perkasie, PA 18944.

Present:	David Nyman	Supervisor Chairperson
	Gary Volovnik	Supervisor Vice-Chairperson
	Jim Nietupski	Supervisor Member
	Marianne Morano	Township Manager
	John Rice, Esq.	Township Solicitor

The meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m. by Mr. Nyman with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Announcements:**

Based on the Governor's COVID19 Disaster Declaration, the Board of Supervisors have closed their monthly meeting to public attendance and established special meeting protocol for public participation. The entire meeting packet was available on the Township website. Anyone wishing to provide public comment on the Board's agenda items can do so electronically or by submitting a public comment form. All public comment will be read at the Board's meeting.

Mr. Nyman suggested a general comment form be available for future meetings during special meeting protocol.

**Public Comment #1 on Agenda Items**

- Mike Colkett, 50 Ridge Run Road, requested consideration of a resolution supporting an independent commission to redraw legislative districts in 2021 instead of the partisan process that currently exists.
- Kathleen Weidner, 132 Bridgeview Drive, reiterated a request for a Resolution supporting an independent redistricting commission to protect from partisan gerrymandering be adopted prior to the PA State Assembly recess.

**On motion** by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to adopt **Resolution 2020-08** in support of an independent redistricting commission as requested. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Approval of Minutes and Bills Payable:**

**Approval of Minutes from March 24, 2020 Regular Meeting.**

**On motion** by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to adopt the meeting minutes from the Board of Supervisors' March 24, 2020 Regular Meeting as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Payment of Unpaid Bills dated April 21, 2020 in the amount of \$423,488.41.**

As a result of higher than usual interest rates, two notes are recommended to be closed prior to their maturity date. A 2002 open space note that had a maturity date of February 2022 and a 1999 sewer note that had a maturity date of November 2021 are therefore included in this Bills List.

**On motion** by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to approve payment of the Bills List dated April 21, 2020 in the amount of \$423,488.41 as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Township Manager's Report: Marianne Morano**

**Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System**

**On motion** by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, authorizing the Township Solicitor to advertise an Ordinance to amend Non-Uniform pension plans to meet current Internal Revenue Service requirements for the May 26, 2020 meeting as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Used Paver Bid Documentation**

**On motion** by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to accept U.S. Municipal Supply, Inc. bid for a 2011 Leeboy Track Paver with 2,644 hours and 85hp Kubota engine in the amount of \$54,674.00 as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Municipal Office Addition and Renovation**

It was noted the tentative construction start date for the Municipal Office is June 1, 2020.

**On motion** by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, authorizing formal notice to all prime contractors notice to proceed date set four weeks from the lifting of applicable Governor's COVID-19 Orders as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Zoning Hearing Board Alternate Resignation.**

**On motion** by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to acknowledge the resignation of Greg Lippincott from the Zoning Hearing Board as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Solicitor Report: John Rice, Esq.**

**Tax Extension Resolution**

**On motion** by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to adopt **Resolution 2020-07** to extend the face payment due date for 2020 Township real estate taxes to July 30, 2020 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Scholl's Truck and Car Wash Conditional Use Hearing Application 2301 North Fifth Street.**

**On motion** by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to approve the Conditional Use Adjudication for the construction of a truck and car wash facility and the ability to maintain more than one use on the property located at 2301 North Fifth Street, Perkasie, PA as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

**Public Comment #2:**

There was none.

**Adjournment**

**On motion** by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to adjourn the regular meeting. With no additional discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:22p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne Morano  
Township Manager