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Middle Paxton Township

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MONTHLY WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

June 20, 2023

Call to Order

The June 20, 2023 workshop meeting of the Middle Paxton Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 PM by Supervisor and Chairman Jeffery Smith in the Township meeting room. Also present were Supervisor and Vice-Chairman Mike Sudia; Supervisor and Assistant Secretary James Fisher; Supervisor Larry Cooney; Township Manager, Secretary and Assistant Treasurer Julie Ann Seeds; and Jacob Hoffman representing the Township Engineer, Herbert, Roland & Grubic, Inc. (HRG). Supervisor and Treasurer Wilbur Evans was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments

No comments were presented inasmuch as no visitors were in attendance during the course of the meeting.

Agenda Items

The McNaughton Company – The Townes at Stoney Creek

James G. Strupe, Esq. representing The McNaughton Company presented two versions of proposed language to amend the Zoning Ordinance to reduce the front yard setback requirement for single family attached dwellings in the Medium Density Residential District (R-2) and the High Density Residential District (R-3).

Attorney Strupe explained that the two versions of the proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment were being submitted for the Board’s consideration after the Board rejected an earlier version of the proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment following a public hearing held on January 3, 2023 and The McNaughton Company requested the Board table their proposed revised Zoning Ordinance amendment that had been listed on the agenda for the Board’s June 5, 2023 monthly business meeting.

Motion by Supervisor Fisher for the Township Solicitor to prepare and advertise an ordinance to amend the *Middle Paxton Township Ordinance of Definitions of 2000* to add the definition of "Single Family Attached Dwelling with Integral Garage", amend the *Zoning Ordinance of 2000* to permit a thirty foot (30') front yard setback from the right-of-way in the Medium Density Residential District (R-2) where the use is Single Family Attached Dwelling with Integral Garage provided that no less than four (4) off-street parking spaces per unit are proposed, and amend the *Zoning Ordinance of 2000* to permit a thirty foot (30') front yard setback from the right-of-way in the High Density Residential District (R-3) where the use is Single Family Attached Dwelling with Integral Garage provided, however, that for any reduction in setback below fifty feet (50') from a public street, no less than four (4) off-street parking spaces per unit are proposed was seconded by Supervisor Smith. *Motion passed unanimously.*

HRG Proposal for Engineering Services

- Retainer Agreement for McKelvey Road and Speece Lane Culvert/Pipe Replacement Projects

HRG presented a proposed retainer agreement for both the McKelvey Road and Speece Lane culvert/pipe replacement projects intended to increase the size and capacity of the culverts. It was the consensus of the Board for the Township roadcrew to perform the Speece Lane culvert/pipe replacement project based upon the engineering design plans previously completed by Light-Heigel & Associates, Inc.

The Board requested HRG revise the proposed retainer agreement to limit the scope of their services solely to the McKelvey Road culvert/pipe replacement project which will require preparation of solicitation documents for contractor bids to perform certain portions of the work.

- Potato Valley Road Stream Relocation Options

HRG presented concept design and project cost option alternatives for the proposed Potato Valley Road Stream Relocation of an unnamed tributary to Fishing Creek located at 1440 Potato Valley Road. It was the consensus of the Board to pursue the "stream realignment" alternative versus the "stream enclosure" alternative. The Board then requested HRG to meet with the affected homeowner to obtain consent to proceed with the selected design alternative for the Project Assignment *Stream Relocation on Potato Valley Road (R002752.0442)* previously approved by the Board at the April 18, 2023 workshop meeting.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds

Manager Seeds presented a current project cost matrix prepared by HRG for road projects being performed under the Township's previous Dauphin County Infrastructure Bank (DCIB) and Dauphin County Infrastructure Bank-General (DCIB-G) loans projecting an estimated deficit of \$280,000 between estimated project costs and current loan funding.

The Board concurred with Manager Seeds' recommendation to offset the estimated road project funding deficit using ARPA funds having a current PLGIT market value of \$554,134.53 versus submitting an application to borrow additional DCIB-G funds.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 PM upon a motion by Supervisor Smith, seconded by Supervisor Cooney. *Motion passed unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,

SIGNATURE ON FILE

James H. Fisher, Assistant Secretary