

The Board of Supervisors met at the Township Office Building for their regular meeting on February 21, 2019, 7:30PM with Lowell Fry, Jere Swarr & Duane Martin present. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the February 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting were distributed. Mr. Martin made a motion to approve the Minutes as presented; second by Mr. Fry. All voted in favor.

### **POLICE REPORT**

Chief Joe Stauffer reported on the statistics for January 2019 that includes 78 traffic tickets, 2 non-traffic tickets, 9 criminal arrests, 46 warnings, 4,474 vehicle miles, 52 incident reports and 21 traffic accidents. He shared with the Board some projects that the Manheim Borough Police Department has planned for 2019. A few of them are ammunition change, purchasing a John Deere Gator, purchasing 2 vehicles, sound proofing the interview rooms, USAS drone pilots and licensing and continued training. Chief Stauffer reported on a domestic involved shooting that occurred in the township on February 7<sup>th</sup>. A grant has been received for 2019 allowing the police department to continue with Aggressive Driving Enforcement which Chief Stauffer feels has reduced the number of accidents in the township. Chief Stauffer also pointed out that the Manheim Borough Police Department's clearance rate is at 86% which is way over the national clearance rate of 30-40%.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** - None

**CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS** - Mr. Martin reported that he attended a Northwest Ambulance meeting held at Mount Joy Township involving 12 municipalities. He said it was very interesting and they are looking for funding.

### **PLANNING**

**Mr. Swarr made a motion to ratify the appeal of the DEP order by the Township to the Environmental Hearing Board; second by Mr. Martin. All voted in favor.**

**Mr. Martin made a motion to authorize the Township Solicitor to engage in discussions with Beth A. Dorsey, n/k/a Beth A. Yohe and Donna Gainer to have the Defendants deed their property at 1050 Drager Road to the Township in an effort to bring the Township's current enforcement action to a conclusion; second by Mr. Swarr. All voted in favor.**

**Mr. Martin made a motion acknowledging the receipt of Conditional Use Application #2019-34 for PA Property Investors located at 4753 Elizabethtown Road and to forward the application to the Planning Commission and schedule the hearing for March 21, 2019; second by Mr. Swarr. All voted in favor.**

**Mr. Martin made a motion to grant the request for an extension to April 19, 2019 for the Good's Country Properties Land Development Plan #18-354; second by Mr. Swarr. All voted in favor.**

**Claudia Shank** of McNees Wallace & Nurick LLC explained to the Board the request from Good's Country Properties concerning the issuance of a building permit prior to plan recording. She said that the applicant has had numerous setbacks due to the pipelines running through the property since the start of the Land Development Plan process in 2018. A new building code is coming into effect April 1, 2019 and since they will not have the plan recorded by that time they would need to start the design all over in order to comply with the new building code. Good's Country Properties is asking for the ability to submit a building permit

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application and have it go through the inspection review but do not expect the permit to actually be issued until after the plan is recorded. This may be after the 30 day mandated time period for the Code Enforcement Officer to issue a permit. **Mr. Martin made a motion to authorize the staff to begin the review process for a building permit from Good's Country Properties with a letter from the applicant noting their understanding that the permit will not be issued until the Land Development Plan is recorded, which may not be within the 30 day time period; second by Mr. Swarr. All voted in favor.**

**Mr. Martin made a motion to approve the Zoning Officer's January 2019 Report; second by Mr. Swarr. All voted in favor.**

**OLD BUSINESS** - None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Township Manager Sara Gibson distributed a proposed bid form for the Contracted Waste and Recyclable Material Collection. At the current time there are 2022 households enrolled in the municipal contract. Mrs. Gibson has included in the bid form not only the current way the collection is handled by letting residents choose whether or not to be involved in the municipal contract but also an alternate bid that would include the collection for all residential properties within the municipality. This involves a total of approximately 3,600 properties. She asked the Board if they are willing to include the alternate in the bidding process. Mr. Swarr said he is against having a municipal contract for all the township residential properties. Mr. Fry and Mr. Martin said they feel it would be interesting to see the price difference. Paul Hann, President of his HOA said their contract for trash and recycling is cheaper than the municipal contract and allows service to be suspended when the residents are in Florida for several months at a time. Mrs. Gibson said private HOA's can be exempt from participating in a municipal contract. **Mr. Martin made a motion authorizing staff to bid the Trash/Recycling Municipal Contract with the collection the same as it is currently and with an alternate bid to include all residential properties in the township; second by Mr. Swarr. All voted in favor.**

**Mr. Swarr made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-4 to renew the Franchise Agreement with Blue Ridge Cable through 1/21/29; second by Mr. Martin. All voted in favor.**

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

*Lancaster County Commissioners – Mosquito-borne Disease Control Program – request for meeting  
Milanof-Schock Library Director's report  
US Bankruptcy Court Docs – Worley & Obetz, Inc., et al*

**APPROVAL OF THE DISBURSEMENT LIST - Mr. Martin made a motion to approve the disbursement list and pay the bills; second by Mr. Swarr. All voted in favor.**

Mrs. Gibson reported that the township is changing the software for trash billing. The new software will allow for credit card payments and automatic withdraws. The current lockbox will continue to process the payments made by mail. A new isolated server will be purchased to be used with the new software.

There being no further public business or public comments the meeting adjourned at 8:08PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Melva J. Kready  
Recording Secretary