

LOWER SALFORD TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES  
September 4, 2024

Chairman Keith Bergman called the Lower Salford Township Board of Supervisors meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Supervisors present were Chris Canavan, Kevin Shelly, and Dave Scheuren. Also, present were Joseph Czajkowski, Township Manager; Holly Hosterman, Assistant to the Township Manager; Director of Building and Zoning, Mike Beuke; Township Solicitor, Jim Garrity; and Township Engineer, Michele Fountain.

Chairman Bergman led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Presentation – Proclamation for Harleysville Hornets Travel Baseball Team for Winning the District and State Championship U9 – Chairman Bergman read the proclamation outlining the achievements of the team including winning their first 10 games and having a winning season record of 28-7.

Consent Agenda

Supervisor Canavan moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Supervisor Scheuren seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chairman Bergman reminded those present that the schedule of upcoming Township meetings was listed on the bottom of the agenda.

Zoning Hearing Board

Mike Beuke stated that there is no Zoning Hearing Board hearing scheduled for September.

Park Board

Mrs. Hosterman reported that the next meeting of the Park Board is scheduled for September 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Holly informed the board that the annual Hecklerfest was a big success and very well attended.

Fire Chief – Chief, Ryan Nase, reported that for the month of August the Company had responded to 36 calls, with the Company averaging 10 firefighters per call.

The Company was in-service for 17 hours and 2 minutes. Chief Nase informed the board that the Fire Company had just taken delivery of their new engine (Engine 89) and they hope to have it in service within the next month.

Freedom Valley Medical Rescue – Interim Chief, Mike Gerish reported that the Squad had responded to 174 calls out of the Harleysville station. Mike said that FVMR provided mutual aid 48 times and received mutual aid 23 times.

#### Communications Committee

Supervisor Shelly reported that they are putting the finishing touches on the New Resident welcome letter, He said that they planned on sending it out after the next Committee meeting, which is scheduled for September 18<sup>th</sup> , at 7:30pm.

#### Recreation Authority

Chairman Bergman reported that the course is ahead of budget year to date. Rounds played are 1000 ahead of budget. He said that the course was in excellent shape and doing well overall.

#### Unfinished Business

- A) Ordinance 2024-04 – Municipal Waste Collections and Recycling – Amending Chapter 95, Article 1, Section 1 – Chairman Bergman opened the public hearing. As there was no public comment, he closed the hearing. Supervisor Canavan moved to adopt Ordinance 2024-04. Supervisor Scheuren seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- B) Ordinance 2024-05 – Establishing a Volunteer Service Tax Credit Program – Supervisor Canavan gave an overview of the tax credit program noting that this would benefit those residents that volunteer their time to the Fire and EMS services. Supervisor Canavan moved to adopt ordinance 2024-05. Supervisor Shelly seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- C) Amendment to the Agreement to Purchase Liquor License between Lower Salford Township and the Lower Salford Township Recreation Authority – Chairman Bergman noted that this would extend the time for the agreement to take effect to allow the LCB to finish their due diligence. Supervisor Canavan moved to execute the amendment to the agreement. Supervisor Scheuren seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### New Business

- A) Resolution 2024-13 – Farmland Preservation Municipal Contribution – Mr. Czajkowski said that the County Farmland Preservation Board had asked the Township to participate in the preservation of the Clemmer Farm on Camp

Wawa Road. He said that the suggested contribution was \$59,850. Supervisor Canavan moved to adopt Resolution 2024-13. Supervisor Krauss seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- B) Resolution 2024-14 – Setting forth the Minimum Municipal Obligation for Police and Non-Uniformed Pension Funds for 2025 – Supervisor Canavan moved to adopt Resolution 2024-14. Supervisor Scheuren seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- C) Resolution 2024-15 – Acceptance of Right of Way for Mainland Pointe Subdivision – Supervisor Canavan moved to adopt Resolution 2024-15. Supervisor Scheuren seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- D) Mainland Pointe Maintenance Agreement – Supervisor Canavan moved to approve the Maintenance Agreement for the Mainland Pointe Development. Supervisor Scheuren seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- E) Lederach Cross Road Residential Development (Shihadeh) 703-709 Harleysville Pike – Land Development – Discussion of Waivers – Andy Brunkin, Engineer for the applicant, gave an overview of the land development plan and went through the list of waivers. The Board was concerned with the width of the roadway adjacent to the retaining wall noting that the applicant may want to consider widening it at that point.
- F) Fire Police Assistance – Eckhart Auto Body’s Car Exhibit and Open House – September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Supervisor Canavan moved to approve the assistance. Supervisor Krauss seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- G) Motion to Appoint David Goodman to the Indian Valley Regional Planning Commission – Supervisor Canavan moved to appoint Mr. Goodman to the IVRPC. Supervisor Krauss seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Public Comment

Supervisor Shelly asked about the Board’s feeling on the process for appointing someone to the vacancy on the Planning Commission. The Board discussed the issue and decided to ask the Planning Commission to review the applications and to make recommendations to the Board for the top 3-5 candidates. Once received that Board will make the final decision.

The Board convened to executive session to discuss a matter of possible litigation.

There being no further business, Mr. Garrity moved to adjourn at 8:35pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph Czajkowski  
Township Manager