

October 6, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the Foster Township Supervisors was held at the Municipal Building.

Members present: Chairman Rob Sterling, Vice Chairman John Barrett, Roadmaster John Carr, Secretary Janet Mitchell, Solicitor Edward Brennan, Engineer Dan Cook.

A copy of the previous meeting minutes was given to the Supervisors there are no corrections or additions the minutes stand approved with a motion by Carr second by Barrett.

A copy of the bills was given to the supervisors a motion was made to pay the bills with a motion by Carr second by Barrett.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Joe Zula questions Roadmaster Carr on tree to be cut by his property. Carr states the tree surgeon was contacted and will get to the tree after he completes job in Minersville.

Francis Poslosky questions the home inspection ordinance. Solicitor Brennan review the ordinance on inspections and how this ordinance protects the buyer and the township so homes are up to code.

Mr. Burmeister asks why the seller is responsible it should be up to the buyer. Brennan explains should be done before settlement, questions the Mansion being sold without being up to code. Brennan states Mumma was given a notice of violation to be brought to code.

Al Gober questions the clean-up on the mansion. Brennan explains contact has been made on the property maintenance appeal.

ENGINEER REPORT

Property Maintenance>>> working with Solicitor Brennan on the property Maintenance appeal.

2020 Comprehensive Plan>>>>There will be a final presentation on the Comprehensive plan at the October 20, 2021 Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

Schuylkill County Municipal Authority Act 537 plan Update>>>No additional information received on this topic.

Reading Anthracite Development>>>Working with the Applicant on the review fees in preparation of the submission of the final land development plan. No submission of plans has been received this month.

CES Development>>>>An informal meeting to review the draft concept and zoning requirements with the applicant was held. The meeting included a review of the utility options available to the applicant at the project site.

Ryan Development>>>No update on this topic.

2021 Road Program>>>>The Township has completed the pipe and inlet installation. The contractor will be working to complete their portion of their work. A contract time extension will be necessary to complete the work past the initial project deadline of August 20, 2021. The work was held up due to

material shortages and delays. Recommendation to extend the contract until October 31, 2021. Motion by Carr second by Barrett all in favor to extend the contract till October 31, 2021.

Internet Development>>> No additional update on this topic.

BBZ Update>>>The response letter was resubmitted to PennDOT for the Hosmer Property. The Township will need to clear some brush and remove a few trees to obtain the permit. Hop permit for the former Haney property was submitted. The road crew will clear brush for site distance. PennDOT was requested to relocate the speed limit sign to increase site distance

I-81/901 Corridor utilities Study>>>>A possible study of the cost and location of the utilities to the I-81 /901 Corridor was discussed at the September Planning Commission meeting. We were able to obtain in the draft of Schuylkill County Airport Master Site Plan from HRG Engineering which identified the potential locations and cost of extending both water and sewer to the intersection and to the airport property, If the Township desires to review the utility sketch and cost estimates for a formal proposal to complete the preliminary design of the chosen alternative to submit for grant funding of the utilities.

The Board agrees to wait till next months meeting to discuss this issue after review.

SOLICITOR' S REPORT

Follow-up On HRG Study for water and Sewer for future development. Discussion on development for Reading Properties, Ryan Properties, discussion on Branch Cass Sewer system or wait for Gordon plant to get done could be 4 years. Discussion on reasonable user sewer rates, SCMA VS Branch/Cass for more cost-effective numbers.

Noise ordinance was sent to Chief Nettles changes made and will be advertised for adoption.

Internet Update. Brennan will hear from Keith Hill Sunday and then follow up with Wire teleview.

ROAD MASTER REPORT

Catch Basin finished

Pump Station work repairs to on/ off switch.

Church catch basin - Biros needed to unblock the pipe.

Police Report

Upgrade completed on camera system for the building by Schuylkill Electronics. Old camera had malfunctioned.

Discussion on TACS system for Police cars license scanner and printer and computers needed. A Grant was received for the software The Township will need to pay for the equipment and Hookup. This system is mandated for all Police departments.

ATV Problems contact Andrew McNulty they will be moving trails due to air quality study.

Matt Daniels on air Quality caused by truck dust by his house. Nettles suggests to contact Reading.

Motion to adjourn By Carr second by Barrett.

