November 1, 2023

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

Members present: Chairman John Barrett Vice Chairman Gene Maley, Roadmaster John Carr, Secretary Janet Mitchell, Solicitor Ed Brennan, Engineer Dan Cook.

A copy of the previous meeting minutes was given to the Supervisors there were no corrections or additions the minutes stand approved.

A copy of the bills was given to the supervisor's motion to pay the bills by Maley second by Carr all in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Harvey Frantz holds a discussion on problems with Blythe water and pressure. Barrett recommends calling Blythe.

ENGINEER REPORT

Zoning Permits>>> the Zoning report for the period ending October 31, 2023 was received.

COVID-19 ARPA small water / COVID ARPA H20 Pa Water supply Project>>>> No update on this project.

DCNR Grant>>>> We have been notified the township has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$70,000.00 for the update of the playground. DCNR will be reaching out to the township to set up the initial scoping call and will schedule the project kickoff meeting sometime in early 2024.

PA statewide Local Share Account Grant>>>>The township has asked Benesch to prepare a grant for the construction of the "Anthracite Memorial Park" at the former Neale Mansion Property. A resolution and commitment letter has been prepared, Motion to adopt a resolution and commitment letter for submission of the PA Statewide Local Share Account for the "Anthracite Memorial Park" by Carr second by Maley all in favor.

A resolution to repackage and submit the same grant information for the Turkey Run Waterline Grant, for submission to PA Statewide Local Share Account Grant By Maley second by Carr all in favor.

SCMA Act 537 Plan Update>>>>The plan is administratively complete and under review by PADEP.

SALDO, ZONING, and STORMWATER ORDINANCDE UPDATE >>> The draft copy of the subdivision and Land Ordinance has been provided to the Planning Commission and the Board for review and Comment. Work with Solicitor Brennan on a Standalone timber ordinance, recommendations to update the townships Sewer rules and regulations since thew original version is from 2003.

RYAN DEVELOPMENT>>>> No update on this project.

SEDCO Lot 12>>> The final plans were approved and signed by the Planning Commission. A motion to issue final approval for the SEDCO Lot 12 final Land Development Plan By Maley second by Carr all in Favor.

CES Landfill BIOGAS>>>> Working with the applicant to schedule a stormwater Site construction inspection of the site in accordance with the Land Development Plans.

LANGEN WAREHOUSE DEVELOPMENT>>>> The preliminary Land Development Plans have been received from the applicant and are under review.

CRG READING ANTHRACITE COMPANY>>>>The preliminary Land Development Plans have been received from the applicant and are under review. A more detailed discussion on this will be at the November 15, Planning Commission Meeting.

FOSTER REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY>>>No update on this project.

READING ANTHRACITE SOLAR DEVELOPMENT>>>>Reading Anthracite has requested a hearing for a conditional use of solar in a Conditional Use in V-C District. The hearing was postponed at the October 4 meeting to allow the time for Engineer, Zoning Officer, and Planning Commission time to review and provide comments to the board. A new hearing has been scheduled for Tuesday November 14, 2023 at 6:30 P.M. at the township Building.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Update on SALDO, Timber Ordinance.

Discussion on ATV ongoing problem with roads with Reading Anthracite.

Brennan reports a special meeting will be held November 14, 2023 for Reading Anthracite conditional use for a Solar Facility.

Mr. MAley questions zoning changes and CRG Plans. Mr. Brennan explained the project that was intended for the Burmeister property. Mr. Maley questions the zoning changes made in 2021. Where warehouse are permitted. Mr. Brennan explains because plans are submitted does not mean it will be approved. Maley questions if Zoning can be changes back.

ROADMASTER Report

Veronica Pump Station Martins install a new impeller.

Tree Trimming Complete.

Equipment is ready for snow.

Cathy Bosack reports rock needed at Cul-de-sac.

Maley reports Miller property and with tree to be cut, due to sap getting on her car.

POLICE REPORT

- Update on ATV info. Reading blocked some areas. (Water Authority Property). Contacted for problem by Sborz. BBZ property abandon vehicle removed.
- 2. Burning ordinance: Burning leaves and outside materials.
- 3. Winter driving: Windshield wipers, headlights, ETC.
- 4. Hunting season approaching be aware of hunters.
- 5. Keeping records on your weapons.

Discussion on drones.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- Barret reports discussion to add Camera to Hill Road pavilion area and interaction \$100.00 to install \$100.00 per month. AT 901 and Upper Beechwood, Joe Zula questions if it would be on homes Barrett report on the intersection only. Motion to accept the proposal from Comcast By Carr second by Maley all in favor.
- 2. Introduction of Nick Hazlett permit officer.
- 3. Discussion on Playground Grant received. Three years to spend.

PUBLIC COMMENT Q & A

Halupa reports demolition on Mansion to start Monday.

Mr. Maley reports again on investment strategy to get more interest.

Maley discuss stop sign on Upper Beechwood needs batteries.

Motion to adjourn by Carr second Barrett.

Attest: Janet Mitchell

Secretary

Foster Township