

**West Vincent Township
Board of Supervisors**

September 20, 2021 7:00 PM

Attendance: Mike Schneider, Chair, Bernie Couris, Vice Chairman, Sara Shick, Member, John Granger, Township Manager, Mark Thompson, Township Solicitor, Kathy Shillenn, Township Secretary, Michele Hogrelius, Township Treasurer, Ed Latshaw, Township Engineer

Chairman Schneider called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION by Mr. Couris to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2021 meeting; second by Mr. Couris.

There being no comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Reports:

Police Report - Sgt. Russell read the report. Report acknowledged as received. Report on file.

Bills List - **MOTION** by Ms. Shick to approve the Bills List in the amount of \$448,282.48; second by Mr. Couris.

There being no comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Treasurer's Report - Ms. Hogrelius gave the report. Report acknowledged as received. Report on file.

PUBLIC HEARING - Adoption of the Phoenixville Regional Comprehensive Plan Court Reporter Nancy Sciaretta was present. Mr. Thompson opened the public hearing at 7:05PM. Mr. Thompson explained what will be discussed during the public hearing and marked exhibits. Mr. Thompson asked for public comment. After the hearing, Mr. Thompson closed the hearing at 7:10PM.

Approve Resolution No. 18-2021, Adoption of the Phoenixville Regional Comprehensive Plan - **MOTION** by Ms. Shick to approve Resolution No. 18-2021, Adoption of the Phoenixville Regional Comprehensive Plan; second by Mr. Couris.

There being no comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

PUBLIC HEARING - Adoption of the Codification of Township Ordinances Court Reporter Nancy Sciaretta was present. Solicitor Thompson opened the public hearing at 7:12PM and explained the codification of ordinances and marked exhibits. Solicitor Thompson closed the hearing at 7:14PM.

Approve Ordinance No. 194 - Adopt and Enact West Vincent Township Codification of Ordinances - MOTION by Ms. Shick to adopt and enact the West Vincent Township Codification of Ordinances; second by Mr. Couris.

There being no comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Manager's Report - Mr. Granger read his report. Report acknowledged as received. Report on file.

Brian Curry, 512 Blackhorse Road asked if this meant that the mower that had the damaged engine was repaired.

Announcements: None

Presentation: None

Old Business:

Conditional Use Hearing - 1871 Kimberton Road - Proposed New Dwelling - Township Solicitor Mark Thompson had a conflict; Anthony Verwey, Conflict Solicitor conducted the hearing. Hearing opened at 7:20PM. Court Reporter Nancy Sciaretta was present. Mr. Verwey closed the Conditional Use Hearing at 8:10PM. The Board of Supervisors will issue their decision at the October 18, 2021 Board of Supervisors meeting.

Conditional Use Hearing - TC Energy Corp., Eagle Compressor Station Land Development - Solicitor Mark Thompson conducted the hearing. Hearing opened at 8:15PM. Court Reporter Nancy Sciaretta was present. Solicitor Thompson closed the Conditional Use Hearing at 8:45PM. The Board of Supervisors will issue their decision at the October 18, 2021 Board of Supervisors meeting.

New Business:

Approve Resolution No. 19-2021, Preliminary/Final Minor Subdivision Plan Approval for 1830 St. Matthews Road - MOTION by Ms. Shick to approve Resolution No. 19-2021, Preliminary/Final Minor Subdivision Plan Approval for 1830 St. Matthews Road for a two-lot subdivision; second by Mr. Couris.

There being no comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Set Date for Conditional use Hearing - Camphill Kimberton Hills - Proposed Cemetery Use - MOTION by Ms. Shick to set the Conditional Use Hearing date for Camphill Kimberton Hill proposed cemetery use for October 18, 2021; second by Mr. Couris.

There being no comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Set Date for Conditional Use Hearing – 2286 Beaver Hill Road Stormwater Facilities in Steep Slopes – MOTION by Ms. Shick to set the Conditional Use Hearing date for 2286 Beaver Hill Road Stormwater Facilities in Steep Slopes for October 18, 2021; second by Mr. Couris.

There being no comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Approval of 2022 Uniformed and Non-Uniformed MMO's – MOTION by Ms. Shick to approve the 2022 Minimum Municipal Obligation for Uniformed Employees in the amount of \$68,279 and to approve the 2022 Minimum Municipal Obligation for Non-Uniformed Employees in the amount of \$41,500; second by Mr. Couris.

There being no comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Approval of Contract with Practical Energy Solutions – Preparation of a Multi-Municipal Energy Transition Plan at a Cost of \$4,821 – MOTION by Ms. Shick to approve the selection of Practical Energy Solutions, Inc. as the consultant for our Clean Energy Transition Plan and we recommend our approval to the County Commissioners and request theirs for a total cost of \$69,000 of which the township's contribution is \$4,821; second by Mr. Couris.

There being no comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Authorization to Submit Application to Chester County for the VPP Grant in the amount of \$10,535 to Develop Regulations on Forestry Management – MOTION by Ms. Shick to authorize the submission of an application to Chester County for the VPP Grant in the amount of \$10,535 to develop regulations on Forestry Management; second by Mr. Couris.

There being no comments or questions, *Motion carries 2-1 with Mr. Schneider voting no.*

Resolution No. 20-2021, Authorize Application to the Natural Lands Green Region Program in the Amount of \$10,000 – Acquire Picnic Tables, Benches and Kiosks for Opalanie Park – MOTION by Ms. Shick to approve Resolution No. 20-2021 to authorize application to the Natural Lands Green Region Program in the amount of \$10,000 to acquire picnic tables, benches, and kiosks for Opalanie Park; second by Mr. Couris.

There being no comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Accept Proposal by Five Star Interactive in the amount of \$69,966 to Provide Cab and Chassis for a 2022 Dump Truck – MOTION by Ms. Shick to accept the proposal of Five Star Interactive in the amount of \$69,966 to provide cab and chassis for a 2022 dump truck which is a budgeted item; second by Mr. Couris.

Brian Curry, 512 Blackhorse Road asked if this is a delay due to chip shortage. He also asked if the dump body is done in stainless steel.

There being no further comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Accept the Proposal from E.M. Kutz, Inc. in the amount of \$59,611 for the Body, Plow and Spreader for the Dump Truck – MOTION by Ms. Shick to accept the proposal from E.M. Kutz in the amount of \$59, 611 for the stainless steel Body, Plow and Spreader for the dump truck which is a budgeted item; second by Mr. Couris.

There being no comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Approval of Farm Leases – MOTION by Ms. Shick to approve the farm leases; second by Mr. Couris. Mr. Granger discussed the leases.

Brian Curry, 512 Blackhorse Road asked if the township was renewing all four leases or just one.

There being no further comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Approval of Supplemental Appropriations to Local Fire Companies – MOTION by Ms. Shick to approve the supplemental appropriations to Ludwig’s Corner Fire Company in the amount of \$15,000, to Kimberton Fire Company in the amount of \$25,000 and to the Ridge Fire Company in the amount of \$5,000; second by Mr. Couris.

Brian Curry, 512 Blackhorse Road asked if the pricing was split based on the areas.

There being no further comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Authorization to Advertise for Snow Removal Services Bid – MOTION by Ms. Shick to authorize the advertisement for Snow Removal Services; second by Mr. Couris.

Brian Curry, 512 Blackhorse Road asked if there is anyone else in a similar situation with plowing issues.

Dana Alan, 21 Ivy Lane wanted to clarify that we are trying to get additional resources for what is being dedicated right now and that we might get a little better service.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Mr. Couris gave a shout out of kudos to the Public Works Department, the Police Department, and the staff for doing an excellent job during the recent storm.

Brian Curry, 512 Blackhorse Road commented that he was the one who asked about the IT cyber security; he appreciated Mr. Granger giving him the name of the company.

Barry DiLibero, 1012 Pottstown Pike commented that he was at the horse show over Labor Day and the township had a booth; he wanted to know what committee ran that.

There being no further discussion, the **MOTION** to adjourn was brought forward by Ms. Shick; second by Mr. Couris. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Meeting adjourned at 9:45PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Shillenn
Township Secretary

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