Upper Makefield Township Board of Supervisors June 15, 2021 Meeting Minutes

The June 15, 2021 meeting of the Upper Makefield Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chair Tom Cino at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were the following members of the Board of Supervisors: Chair Tom Cino, Vice Chair Diana Nolan, Member Ed Ford and Member Karin Traina. Treasurer Tim Thomas participated by telephone. Also in attendance were Assistant Township Manager Judy Caporiccio, Township Solicitor Mary Eberle, Esq., Township Engineer Larry Young, P.E., and Chief Mark Schmidt.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Cino acknowledged the recent passing of community member Ed McAllister and led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance which was followed by a moment of silence.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Cino made the following announcements:

- The Bucks County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event will be held at Central Bucks South High School on June 26 at 9 a.m./rain or shine. Registration is required. Visit BucksCounty.org/recycling for details and registration.
- Residents interested in granting access to their property to Big Oak Whitetail Management Association for deer management purposes are encouraged to contact BOWMA at <u>BigOakWhitetail.org</u>. There is no cost to the owner if the property qualifies. Contact information is also posted on the Township website.
- Council Rock and all area high school graduates were congratulated.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPPROVAL OF MINUTES AND BILLS PAYABLE

A motion was made by Ms. Traina and seconded by Ms. Nolan to approve the June 1, 2021 meeting minutes. Motion carried by 4-0 vote. Mr. Thomas was not present for this vote.

A motion was made by Ms. Traina and seconded by Dr. Ford to approve the June 15, 2021 Bills Payable List in the amount of \$231,026.53. Motion carried by 4-0 vote. Mr. Thomas was not present for this vote.

PLANNING & ZONING ISSUES

Capital Health Systems, Inc. Zoning Hearing Board Application, 1240 General Washington Memorial Boulevard

Mr. Thomas joined the meeting by telephone.

Brandon Wind, Esq. and Michael Barnhard, Capital Health Project and Management Director and Richard Rutlzer, Future Signs provided an overview of the request for relief to allow for additional signage and sign sizes, and they presented several options. Discussion followed and Board members offered several suggestions for the applicant's consideration that would comply with the Ordinance.

A motion was made by Dr. Ford and seconded by Ms. Nolan to take a position in opposition to the request and send the Township Solicitor to the Zoning Hearing Board to support the Board's opposition. Motion carried by a 4 to 1 vote with Ms. Traina voting in opposition.

Ostaniewicz, 1042 Washington Crossing Road

Ms. Caporiccio reported that the applicant has granted an extension of time for consideration of the proposed solar panel ground array. A motion was made by Ms. Nolan and seconded by Ms. Traina to acknowledge receipt of the time extension until July 31, 2021 by Ed Murphy, Esq. who affirmed that he is authorized to submit the extension on behalf the Ostaniewicz's. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Ms. Eberle noted that the Solicitor's Report was in the Board packet.

ASSISTANT MANAGER'S REPORT

There was no Assistant Manager's Report.

Ms. Nolan inquired about the status of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds. Ms. Caporiccio reported that the application paperwork has been submitted, and staff has begun internal discussions regarding recommendations in accordance with use restrictions.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Dutchess Farm Estates Sanitary & Sewage Treatment Plant Improvements Escrow Release #9 (Final)

Mr. Young provided an overview of the project and recommended approval of the Dutchess Farm Estates Sanitary & Sewage Treatment Plant Improvements Escrow Release #9 (Final). A motion was made by Ms. Nolan and seconded by Dr. Ford to approve the Dutchess Farm Estates Sanitary & Sewage Treatment Plant Improvements Escrow Release #9 (Final) in the amount of \$262,237.81. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

McAllister Subdivision (Siligato Tract) Site Work Construction Escrow Release #2 (Final)

Mr. Young provided an overview of the project and recommended approval of the McAllister Subdivision (Siligato Tract) Site Work Construction Escrow Release #2 (Final). A motion was made by Mr. Cino and seconded by Ms. Nolan to approve the McAllister Subdivision (Siligato Tract) Site Work Construction Escrow Release #2 (Final) in the amount of \$18,741.25, subject to the execution of an amendment to the development agreement to the satisfaction of the Township. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

BOARD AND COMMISSION REPORTS

Mr. Cino announced that the following minutes were included Board packets:

- Environmental Advisory Council April 13, 2021 and May 11, 2021
- Investment Committee February 18, 2021
- Planning Commission March 24, 2021

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mr. Cino announced that the following department reports were provided:

- Planning & Zoning Department
- Finance Department
- Fire Department
- Ambulance
- Fire Marshal
- Police Department
- Public Works Department

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dr. Ford and seconded by Ms. Traina to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

David R. Nyman

Township Manager

Approved: July 20, 2021

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

I, Tim Thomas., hereby disclose that I have a conflict of interest and will not be participating in or voting on the bills list this evening, June 15, 2021. The nature of my conflict is that I will be receiving reimbursement from the Township Tree Fund in accordance with the township tree program.

Tim Thomas

Dated: May 19, 2020