

OCTOBER 29, 2019
TUESDAY, 7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

Chairman Robert H. Rohner Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Also present were Richard C. Vollmer, Vice Chairman, Theresa Laino, Supervisor, Michael Lamoreaux, Township Engineer, representatives from Simone Collins, Joe Wallace, Pankaj Jobanputra and William Collins, MaryAnn Conza, Assistant Secretary and Edwina Wolfe.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 8, 2019:

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer second by Mr. Rohner to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2019 meeting as presented. Unanimous.

AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF THE BILLS ON LIST #1, LIST #2 AND THE TRANSFERS AS PRESENTED:

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer second by Ms. Laino to approve the payment of the bills on List #1, List #2 and the transfers as presented. Unanimous.

ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS; ALL FUNDS, FOR THE MONTH ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019:

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer second by Ms. Laino to accept the financial statements; all funds, for the month ended September 30, 2019. Unanimous.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE BY SIMONE COLLINS:

Pankaj Jobanputra with Simone Collins presented the draft plan of the Comprehensive Plan.

The following points were discussed:

- A review of the project schedule. The project schedule was presented and discussed. The next meeting will be with the Planning commission on November 14, 2019.
- Scope of work overview. The next steps will be to define the plan goals and objectives, mapping. The draft of the plan is in progress.
- Review of the September 12th Planning Commission meeting.
- Review inventory and analysis mapping. A public opinion survey went online in June. To date 158 responses have been received. The survey will remain active through November.
- Preview preliminary recommendations. Various maps were presented and recommendations for a park and ride at Fernwood area, open space and recreation, and changes in zoning and land use were presented. Also discussed were economic development and changes in housing.

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- Draft report format. The preliminary recommendations are a work in progress and are not final.
- Next steps. To develop a draft plan for the November 14th Planning Commission meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. GUNITE PROJECT – BRISCO MT. ROAD:

Michael Lamoreaux met with the previous engineer on this project and discovered there has not been a DEP submittal to date. He still needs to get more information from the previous engineer before anything else can be done.

2. BUSHKILL OUTREACH BUILDING:

Michael Lamoreaux will be asking Mr. Rohner for names of people to be included in an email asking for the last bit of input and answers to some decisions that need to be made. The site has been balanced twice with the building in 2 different locations. One location is better on the technical aspect of it for where the storm water is going to be handled. The other location is more aesthetically pleasing as you drive in. The floor plan for the building is finished. There are 3 options outlining the fine details. Mr. Lamoreaux will set up a meeting with the supervisors and Bushkill Outreach to discuss these details and other issues.

3. SUNSET ACRES PROPOSED ROAD DEDICATION:

Tabled.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. APPROVE THE EXONERATION OF 2019 TAXES FOR THOSE PROPERTIES EXPOSED TO JUDICIAL SALE ON MAY 15, 2019:

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer second by Ms. Laino to approve the exoneration of 2019 taxes for those properties exposed to Judicial Sale on May 15, 2019. Unanimous.

2. REQUEST OF THE EAST STROUDSBURG HIGH SCHOOL NORTH BASEBALL BOOSTER CLUB FOR A DONATION:

There was \$1,500 budgeted for the D.A.R.E. program that wasn't used because the program was not continued. Motion made by Mr. Rohner second by Ms. Laino to donate \$1,500 to the East Stroudsburg High School North Baseball Booster Club. Unanimous.

3. APPROVE DISABLED VETERANS REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATION FOR CHRISTOPHER BROMLEY:

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer second by Ms. Laino to approve Disabled Veterans Real Property Exemption Certification for Christopher Bromley. Unanimous.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- 1. THERE WILL BE FREE DOG TRAINING AT THE COMMUNITY PARK ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd FROM 11 A.M. TO 1 P.M.**
- 2. THE PIKE COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY WILL CONDUCT A PET HEALTH CLINIC ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH FROM 10 A.M. TO 3 P.M.**
- 3. THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY TO BE SCHEDULED**

No date was determined as of this meeting.

POCONO MT./PIKE COUNTY COG REPORT(S):

None.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/ROADMASTER REPORT:

Roadmaster Tim Rohner reported the road crew has been working on trucks and equipment. Clean up was done from the fall clean up days. Tailgate spreaders were installed on truck #s 916, 917 and 921. The shoulders in section 5A have been finished. The road crew attended a LTAP class on salt and snow management on 10/10/19. New tires were put on truck #920. Work continues at the community park. The road crew worked at the park setting up the Halloween Trail. Trash was picked up off of township roads. Mowing of sight lines has been completed. Leaves have been picked up on some township roads. The crew attended a LTAP class on "Curves on Local Roads" on 10/17/19. Trees were cut on Little Egypt, Mink Pond, Krump and Sunset Lake Roads. A new stop sign was installed in 5A. The recycling sites at the township building, Tamiment, Pine Ridge and Ranchlands have been cleaned up. There have been 234 tons of white salt delivered. Chemung Supply was in to start guardrail repairs in the township. A building at the park was taken down. Cleanup from the Halloween Trail has begun at the park. Anti-skid is being delivered. There was a good turnout at the Halloween Trail on both October 19th and October 26th. The Oak Grove meeting was on October 21st. There is a slight increase for operating expenses. There was a Road Task Force meeting on October 17th. Roadwork continues on the Milford Road project. Brisco Mt. Road will be closed on October 30th for an intersection relocation. The final count on the dumpsters for fall clean up were seventeen (17) 40 yard dumpsters.

ADDITIONAL NEW BUSINESS:

Michael Lamoreaux discussed the Tamiment parking lot repair request. The pervious concrete parking lot needs to be replaced. They are proposing to replace it with permeable asphalt. Mr. Lamoreaux spoke with Brian Boyer, the engineer Tamiment hired, and asked him to look into the current DEP maintenance plan requirements for use of permeable asphalt. Whatever those requirements are should be submitted to the township as a condition for the use. Mr. Lamoreaux recommends as a condition for approval there is a written and signed maintenance agreement.

There being no further business motion by Mr. Rohner and second by Ms. Laino to adjourn the meeting at 8:27p.m. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by,
Mary Ann Conza
Assistant Secretary