HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORK SESSION MEETING MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2024

The regular meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Caleb Torrice at 7:00 PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also in attendance were Vice Chairman James Groff, Supervisor Joseph Metzinger, Township Manager Deanna Ferry, Township Solicitor Jack Wuerstle, and Chief of Police Christopher Engelhart.

1. <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS:</u> Chairman Torrice announced there was an Executive Session after their meeting on August 26, 2024, to discuss personnel issues and met prior to tonight's meeting to discuss legal issues including Linke, Regency, the Schriner tract, and other investigative matters.

2. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a) Minutes of the August 26, 2024, Board of Supervisors Meeting
- b) Bills List: September 10, 2024
- c) Financial Report: August 31, 2024

Motion was made by Vice Chairman Groff, seconded by Supervisor Metzinger, and carried unanimously to approve items 3(a) through 3(c) on the Consent Agenda. There was no public comment.

- 3. CONFIRMED APPOINTMENT: None.
- 4. LEGAL:
- a.) ZHB Appeal 2024-007 Waste Management of PA, Inc., 4622 Bethlehem Pike, Requesting Special Exception: Solicitor Wuerstle discussed the special exception request to establish a G6 use, fuel storage and distribution for Waste Management's fleet. After discussion, Solicitor Wuerstle will not attend the hearing.
- b) ZHB Appeal 2024-008 Dana Hillerby, 237 Mill Road, Requesting Variance: Mr. Hillerby discussed his variance request to place a detached garage in his front yard. After discussion, Solicitor Wuerstle announced he will not be attending the hearing.
- 5. PLANNING: None.
- 6. <u>ENGINEERING</u>: None.
- 7. <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS:</u> None.
- 8. NEW BUSINESS:
- a) Approval of Resolution 2024-016 for the Submission of a LSA Grant Application: Dr. Ferry requested approval for Resolution 2024-016 to submit an application for a LSA grant for \$1,000,000.00 to be used for building improvements as a match for the ARPA funding. Motion was made by Supervisor Metzinger, seconded by Vice Chairman Groff, and carried unanimously to approve Resolution 2024-016 for the submission of the LSA grant application. There was no public comment.

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- b) Motion to accept and utilize American Rescue Plan Act Grant funding in accordance with the published Final Rules for use: Dr. Ferry discussed the ARPA grant funding. Motion was made by Vice Chairman Groff, seconded by Supervisor Metzinger, and carried unanimously to accept and utilize American Rescue Plan Act Grant funding in accordance with the published Final Rules for use. There was no public comment.
- c) <u>Budget Discussion for American Rescue Plan Act Grant Funding:</u> Dr. Ferry presented a visual and discussed the proposed spending for the ARPA funding categories consisting of Emergency Management, Infrastructure, Stormwater Management, Public Works, Park and Recreation, Public Building Improvements, and Technology.
- d) <u>H&K Extension of Hours October 1 31, 2024</u>: Motion was made by Supervisor Metzinger, seconded by Vice Chairman Groff, and carried unanimously to grant the extension of hours between October 1, 2024, and October 31, 2024, for the concrete batch plant, the asphalt batch plant, and crushing plant at Chalfont Quarry & Asphalt per the letter dated September 5, 2024, with the exception of striking the part in the letter in regard to "and/or private customers". There was no public comment.
- 9. <u>SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:</u> Supervisor Metzinger acknowledged the amazing job Dr. Ferry has done in the past month as the Township Manager.
- 10. <u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u> Kathy Lawler and Margaret Lackey commented on the Wast Management special exception.
- 11. PRESS CONFERENCE: None.
- 12. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Upon motion by Supervisor Metzinger, seconded by Vice Chairman Groff, and carried unanimously, the September 9, 2024, Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned at 7:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanna Ferry, DPA

Township Manager

(*NOTE: These minutes were transcribed from notes and recordings and should not be considered official until approved by the Board of Supervisors at a public meeting).