

WARWICK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
FEBRUARY 1, 2023
7:00 a.m.
MEETING HELD BY VIRTUAL FORMAT

Chairman, Kenneth Eshleman convened the February 1, 2023 meeting of the Warwick Township Board of Supervisors at 7:00 a.m. In attendance were Supervisors Ken Eshleman, Ken Kauffman, Jeremy Strathmeyer, Jeff Tennis, and Kelly Gutshall. Also in attendance were Brian Harris, Township Manager; Pat Barrett, Assistant Township Manager; Wade Hartz, Log Cabin Road, Lititz; and Laura Knowles, Lititz Record Express.

CONSIDER REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF THE LETTER OF CREDIT FOR EAST WOODS DRIVE: B. Harris stated that this is for the East Woods Drive subdivision. Included in the packet is a letter from Randy Hess requesting a release of the letter of credit for East Woods Drive. Pursuant to ELA's letter dated January 30, 2023, they recommended a full release of the remaining letter of credit which was \$52,848.80. Harris also mentioned the NPDES has already been terminated. On a motion by J. Strathmeyer and seconded by K. Gutshall, the Board unanimously approved the request for release of the letter of credit for East Woods Drive.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION 02-01-23-01 FOR COOPERATIVE BIDDING PROGRAM: B. Harris stated that this is the cooperative bid that the Township does each year for the ultra-thin, chip seal and line painting. Harris did mention that calendar provided in the packet is the 2022 schedule that the Township typically mimics so everyone can keep track of what has to be done at different points of time regarding participating in the bid. This resolution is to participate in the program and once we adopt the resolution it will be given to the municipality that is providing the service and it will be advertised. On March 15, 2023 the bids will be opened and awarded in April. The Township does participate in this cooperative program each year. On a motion by K. Kauffman and seconded by J. Strathmeyer, the Board unanimously approved Resolution 02-01-23-01 for the Cooperative Bidding Program.

ACKNOWLEDGE THE PETITION BY SANDRA WITMYER TO ADD HER 44 ACRE PROPERTY TO THE TOWNSHIP'S AGRICULTURAL SECURITY AREA: B. Harris stated that Sandra Witmyer is the owner of 1542 E. Newport Road which is a 44 acre parcel. As part of the agricultural preservation process, the county preservation program requires all parcels be put in agricultural security first. The Township received notification from Mrs. Witmyer back in October 2022 requesting to go into the agricultural security area. There is a 6 month notification period. He is bringing it to the Board's attention and assuming there is no opposition from the public or the Board of Supervisors it will automatically be enrolled in the agricultural security program after those 6 months and then the county will pursue the preservation. It will be April or May when the Board will take official action to preserve the farm. K. Gutshall asked if there were any other properties in the vicinity that are in agricultural security. Harris stated he will send the board a copy of the agricultural preserve map with the Witmyer farm identified so everyone can see what is going on around her parcel. K. Eshleman asked for clarification on the difference between agricultural security and agricultural preservation. Harris stated that when you are in an agricultural security area it gives you relief from some nuisance complaints typically related to farming. A farm that is in agricultural security can ultimately be developed but a farm in agricultural preserve can never be developed. K. Gutshall asked if there is a chicken house located on the farm. Harris stated he will reach out to Mrs. Witmyer and include more information in his upcoming email to the board.

CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE REQUEST BY LITITZ SPORTSMAN'S ASSOCIATION TO HOLD THE KID'S FISH DAY ON 4/1/2023 FROM 6AM-2PM: B. Harris stated that this is the annual request from the Lititz Sportsman's Association to have the Kids Fish Day which is scheduled for 4/1/2023 from 6 a.m. till 2 p.m. They did provide the Township with a special events application and a certificate of liability. Harris will reach out to Ken Hess to make sure he has given some thought to parking now that there is some activity going on at Compass Mill. They are estimating 40-60 people for the event. On a motion by J. Tennis and seconded by K. Gutshall, the Board unanimously approved the request by Lititz Sportsman's Association to hold the Kids Fish Day on 4/1/2023 from 6 a.m. – 2 p.m. and the Family Fun Fish Day on 5/28/2023 from 6 a.m. – 3 p.m.

CONSIDERING AUTHORIZING THE REQUEST BY LITITZ SPORTSMAN'S ASSOCIATION TO HOLD THE FAMILY FUN FISH DAY ON 5/28/2023 FROM 6AM-3PM: On a motion by J. Tennis and seconded by K. Gutshall, the Board unanimously approved the request by Lititz Sportsman's Association to hold the Kids Fish Day on 4/1/2023 from 6 a.m. – 2 p.m. and the Family Fun Fish Day on 5/28/2023 from 6 a.m. – 3 p.m.

GROWING GREENER III GRANT AWARD: The Township did receive one Growing Greener grant to do the design and permitting work for the unnamed tributary to the Cocalico Creek that is impacting pump station #18. There is a 4 inch sewer force main in that area. Harris met with representatives from LandStudies and Mr. Reiff and Mr. Zimmerman, the two property owners, and got all the necessary documents submitted. The design and permitting will happen this year and then in terms of physical construction work we can see what all it entails and whether the Public Works staff can do the work or if it needs to go out for bid and we seek construction funding.

NEXT MEETING – February 15, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT – On a motion by J. Strathmeyer, the Board unanimously approved the adjournment of the meeting at 7:16 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Harris,
Township Manager