

Brecknock Township Board of Supervisors  
Minutes of Meeting – February 6, 2018

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The regular monthly meeting of the Brecknock Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7 PM by Chairman Jeff Fiant at the Township Building with all members present followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The public comment period on agenda items was conducted with no comments heard from those in attendance.

The chairman announced that an executive session on personnel matters was conducted on Saturday, February 3, 2018 with no decisions made.

The minutes of the January 2, 2018 meeting were unanimously approved as written on motion by Richard Burkhart seconded by Mark Weber.

The treasurer's report and payment of all bills and payrolls were unanimously approved on motion by Richard Burkhart seconded by Mark Weber.

Sunoco Pump Station and Mariner East 2 Pipeline: Our engineer John Weber reported that the revised stormwater maintenance agreement will be sent to our solicitor for review and will be ready for the March meeting. He also reported that a void opened on Horning Road where boring is being done which Sunoco filled with 2A stones. Sunoco has agreed to keep monitoring the problem in case further corrections need to be made. John gave direction to Sunoco as to what will be expected to be done to restore the road when the pipeline work is complete and will follow up with a letter to Sunoco with those requirements. The secretary reported that we have received a copy of a "cease and desist" letter from Sunoco to the New Holland Bicycle Race which was being advertised to be held on the Mariner East 2 right of way from Twin Valley High School to Goughersville.

Police Chief Position: Mark Weber will be working with our solicitor's office to review the current job description for the police chief position and to develop a timeline to move forward with hiring a new chief.

Complaint Resolution: Several questions pertaining to what the Complaint Resolution adopted at the January meeting covers were discussed. It was agreed that the written complaint form should be completed for ordinance complaints and road related complaints other than those that are addressed immediately by the road crew. If the road crew finds the complaint to be unfounded and the resident disagrees with the decision, the resident should be asked to complete the complaint form. Police related complaints are addressed immediately by the police department, and the chief reported that many times complaints are asked to be put in writing. Copies of all written complaints except complaints to the police department will be forwarded to each supervisor for review and guidance on how to proceed.

Revised Lot 9 Milbrook Manor Annexation Plan: The plan was explained by Surveyor John Hoffert and involves two annexation parcels with no new lots and no landlocked parcels. All items of our engineer's review letter of February 2, 2018 have been satisfactorily addressed. The plan was unanimously approved and signed on a motion by Richard Burkhart seconded by Mark Weber. Our solicitor mentioned that in some municipalities new deeds with annexation parcels were never recorded. An escrow could be required to be submitted until such time as confirmation of deed recording is received.

Buxton Conservancy: David Verrill, Jamey Hutchinson and Karl and Lisa Peterson were present on behalf of the Recreation Board. A letter drafted by the Recreation Board to Sunoco with recommendations for restoration of the Buxton Conservancy when the pipeline work is complete was reviewed and discussed. The letter makes five recommendations including use of a different type of grass seed from that approved by the Conservation District plan. Our engineer John Weber will review the recommendations in the letter for the March meeting and stated that the change in grass seed mix has not been discussed with Sunoco and may be rejected by them. If so, the Township will consider paying the additional cost for the grass seed. He stated that the letter should be sent to Sunoco as soon as possible even though work on the pipeline is stopped at the current time. Jeff Fiant thanked the Recreation Board for the work and time invested drafting the letter with recommendations.

Costars Salt Contract: Motion was made by Jeff Fiant seconded by Richard Burkhart and unanimously approved to participate in this year's Costars salt contract for the purchase of 300 tons of salt.

Bituminous Sealcoat Bid: A list of roads to receive bituminous sealcoat submitted by Roadmaster Chuck Keifer was discussed. The secretary stated that he asked that John Weber prepare the bid forms the same as last year for the March 6 meeting with March 5 as the opening date of the bids received. There was some question on what Chuck, who was not present, has in mind to do, and he will be asked to call John Weber to discuss and clarify his intentions. Cost of the project was also discussed but undetermined until the exact scope of the work to be done is known. After that is determined, John Weber will advise the office and the information will be forwarded to each supervisor. Our solicitor stated that action can be ratified at the March 6 meeting.

Hiring of Part Time Police Officer: Motion was made by Richard Burkhart seconded by Mark Weber and unanimously approved to hire Tyler Famous as a part time police officer.

Well Distance Waiver Request: A request for a well distance waiver for 1104 Alleghenyville Road was reviewed. A new septic system will be installed and the well will be eighty feet from the new system which is less than the required one hundred feet but more than the distance between the current system and well. The waiver was granted on a unanimously approved motion by Jeff Fiant seconded by Richard Burkhart subject to completion of an indemnification agreement to be prepared by our solicitor.

Standard Operating Procedure for Naloxone Use: The proposed SOP submitted by the police department was reviewed and discussed. Police Chief Jack Singerling stated that portions of the

procedures are from the D.A.'s office and portions are from procedures used in neighboring departments. Richard Burkhart stated his opinion that he is not in favor of the use of naloxone but feels we should be doing so to avoid liability issues. Jeff Fiant stated his opinion that he does not feel we should decide who lives and who dies and naloxone should be used. The chief questioned whose public safety is at issue by using naloxone and described an auto accident where the driver at fault was under the influence. Our solicitor will review the SOP for the March 6 meeting.

Police Pension Plan 2017 Actuarial Valuation Letter: A letter dated January 26, 2018 from Mockenhaupt Benefits Group with recommendations for changes to the 2017 report was discussed. The secretary stated that we have just received copies of the report which will be reviewed for the March 6 meeting.

Jason Good Variance Application: An application has been received from Jason Good requesting extension of the zoning relief granted in 2015 that contained a condition that the relief granted be commenced no later than one year from the date of the decision which was not done. No fee was received with the application, and the Board agreed that he will have to pay the new fee of \$800 and to notify him of that requirement.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM on a unanimously approved motion by Richard Burkhart seconded by Mark Weber.

Dorothy L. Martin, Secretary