MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING March 4, 2020

Call to Order: The Regular Meeting of the Greene Township Board of Supervisors, held in the Municipal Building on

Brink Hill Rd., Greentown, PA was called to order by Chair Gary Carlton at 7:01pm, who led the

audience with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adopt Agenda: Mr Obert made a motion to adopt the agenda. Mr Carlton seconded, voice vote, motion carried

Mr Obert made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on February 5, 2020. Mr Action on Minutes:

> Krautter seconded, voice vote, motion carried. Mr Obert made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting on February 19, 2020 to accept SEO Don Nicholson's resignation, appoint the new SEO

Glen Martin, and adopt Resolution 20-3 Sewage Fee Schedule. Mr Krautter seconded, voice vote,

motion carried.

Announcement

None

In Attendance: Chair: Gary Carlton, Supervisors: Barry Krautter, Gerald Obert, Solicitor: Jeffrey Treat, Treasurer:

Sandra Oziemblo, Secretary: Amanda Seagraves

Visitors: Marcia Folenta - Marcia thanks Solicitor, Jeff Treat for sending a letter to Promised Land Inn regarding

their sign. She then thanked the supervisors for pursuing the issue.

Troop 158 – Boy Scout Troop 158 was present to see how the community works by observing a local

township meeting.

department.

Austin Lehrian – Austin stated that he is part owner of Jam Room Brewing which is currently located in Dreher Township. They are looking to purchase 84 Country Store and move the business into Greene Township and he wanted to see what is needed to do that. Mr Carlton said they may need to check into the sewage and asked Jeff Treat if there is anything else. Jeff advised to check with the township's SEO, Glen Martin. He asked how much land is with the property and Austin replied that he thinks it's about 9 acres. Mr Carlton asked if they planned to add on to the building and Austin said no, maybe just changing some electric. Mr Carlton advised that in that case they would need to check with the building

Maryann Seese – Maryann stated that she is part of DEP and the brewery would need to contact DEP Sanitation to get the correct water test. She advised that the reason she is at the meeting is to address the letter she received from the Solid Waste Coordinator, Edward Simon. Mr Carlton read the part of the Solid Waste Report submitted by Ed that applied to Maryann. Maryann advised that he had the incorrect map number and when she gets a corrected letter she will respond. Mr Carlton asked Mr Krautter if he will communicate with Ed that the letter needs to be corrected and Mr Krautter confirmed that he would.

Russell Seese – Russell stated that he is here along the same lines as his mother. He stated that the Solid Waste Coordinator needs to understand the Solid Waste ordinance before sending letters out because his property is not in violation of that ordinance. Jeff Treat advised that the issue needs to be taken up with Ed. Mr Carlton made a motion for Mr Krautter to confront the Solid Waste Coordinator,

Ed Simon, to correct these issues. Mr Obert seconded, voice vote, motion carried.

Jeffrey Treat stated that he researched the issue regarding the sign at Promised Land Inn (PLI)

and he sent a letter to their attorney, Spall, and he also sent a letter to the association that has the issue with the sign. He stated that he's asking them to get survey markers so we know where to measure for the sign setback. Once they do that, then we will have the Sign Officer do the measurement and see if it meets the setback. If it doesn't meet the required setbacks, then PLI

will have to move it. It's their property so they are responsible for marking it.

Mr Obert advised that spring isn't here yet so we still have a lot of pot holes. They've been working to fill Road Report:

> the really bad ones but most of them have to wait until it's not so wet. Regarding continuing blacktop on Beaver Dam Rd., they are talking about finishing up the school bus run area which is about a third of a mile. We have to start by getting the road repaired and then get bids for blacktop. Mr Carlton said the

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price should be about the same as it was for last year's project and asked if Mr Krautter and Secretary, Amanda Seagraves, can get the paperwork worked up to see what we can do by the next meeting.

Location/SEO Report:

Report received from Glen Martin. The board presented former SEO, Don Nicholson, with a

recognition plaque for his 45 years of service to the township.

Solid Waste/Sign Report: Reports received from Ed Simon. See Visitors.

Old Business:

a. Lake Region Ambulance - Mr Obert stated that another meeting took place but not much has been done since the first meeting. Most of the supervisors that are involved are trying to figure out how to get the existing ambulance services in better working condition. Mr Obert added that if any local EMTs would be willing to help, it would be appreciated. Jeff Treat stated that Attorney Anthony Waldron had volunteered his time to answer some legal questions, but this will be a long-term project.

New Business:

- a. Repository Bid Lot 2 Whitetail Ridge, previous owner is Jaguar Real Estate LLC Claude L Stuart, 1175 Route 390 Apt A, Greentown, PA 18426 bids \$2,000. The board accepts the bid.
- b. Resolution 20-4 Adopting Health Trust Mr Obert made a motion to adopt Resolution 20-4 Adopting Health Trust. Mr Krautter seconded, voice vote, motion carried.
- c. Greene Dreher Historical Society Bernadine Lennon presented the annual 2019 report to the board. She stated that the Historical Society is really pleased with the partnership with the South Elementary School. They have various programs with them where the students come to the Historical Society museum and it's a receptive relationship. The Historical Society published a new book last year which documents the men and women who served in WWI. Their maintenance of abandoned cemeteries continues, thanks to volunteers. They have some tours and programs coming up that are posted on their website. Bernadine thanked the supervisors for the continued financial support from the township, for posting the sign on Old Greentown Rd. advising trucks to take a different route, and for removing the trees at the bottom of Brink Hill Rd. She also addressed Boy Scout Troop 158 and recommended them to visit the Historical Society.
- d. MHE Preliminary Cost Estimate for Bridge #6 Mozzette Rd. Mr Krautter stated that McGoey, Hauser and Edsall Consulting Engineers (MHE) provided a rough estimate of \$800 thousand dollars for an open box culvert, which includes engineering costs. Mr Obert said it's going be at least a 1-2 year project. Mr Carlton advised that he met with state representatives and there are two grants that we can apply for, with permission from the board. It will take about 6 months to a year to get the grants but the one provides 100% financial coverage from the state. The other is a PennDOT grant where the township pays 30% and they pay 70%. He advised that he would like to apply for the latter grant for the Mozette Bridge replacement. These two grants will help with costs for two of the six township bridges that need repair/replacement. Mr Obert made a motion for Mr Carlton to start on these grants. Mr Krautter seconded, voice vote, motion carried.
- e. LSA Grant for Park Extension Secretary, Amanda, explained that the deadline for the LSA Grant for the Park is expiring on June 30, 2020. We can apply for a one-year extension of the grant with electronic signature from chairman, Mr Carlton, and another supervisor. She explained that the grant will be used in the purchase and installation of additional playground equipment, mulch and landscaping, and that fencing next to the road will also be covered if there are additional funds. If any of the fencing exceeds the grant amount, the township can pay the difference. Mr Obert made a motion to proceed with the electronic signing of the extension request. Mr Krautter seconded, voice vote, motion carried.
- f. Frace Solid Waste The board agreed to let this issue go until things are straightened out with the Solid Waste Coordinator.
- g. Quote from Chemung for Guide Rails Mr Obert said that Chemung has provided quotes for guide rails and installation on Saw Mill Rd. The quote for the culvert guide rail is \$3,895 and for the bridge guide rail it's \$6,395. Mr Carlton asked if any other contractors were called for quotes. Mr Krautter advised that another company was called but they don't include installation. Mr Carlton made a motion to accept the quotes. Mr Obert seconded, voice vote, motion carried.

- h. **Removing Trees from Behind Township Building –** Mr Obert advised that trees behind the township building need to be removed. Mr Carlton suggested calling Jazikoff Landscaping to give a quote.
- i. **Clean Up Day** Clean up day for Greene Township is set for Saturday, May 16, 2020. The board agreed to keep the prices the same as last year. Mr Carlton advised we find locations to dispose of TVs and tires. Mr Krautter and Treasurer, Sandra, will find locations.
- j. **Material Quotes –** We received material quotes for stone. Mr Carlton advised we get three phone quotes for hauling material. Mr Krautter and Amanda Seagraves will get quotes.

Adjournment:

Mr Obert made a motion to adjourn. Mr Krautter seconded, voice vote, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Seagraves Secretary/Alternate Treasurer