

Honey Brook Township  
Board of Supervisors  
May 9, 2018 Regular Meeting Approved Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Chairman Tracy Olsen with the pledge to the flag. Also present was Supervisor Travis Stacey, Township Manager Steve Landes, Township Engineer Michael Reinert, and Township Solicitor Beth Auman. Tracy Olsen stated that John McHugh was absent from tonight's meeting due to his daughter's graduation from college.

Announcements

In accordance with Resolution 2-2012, it was announced that Scott Stilson, Vincent Drive, was videotaping the meeting.

Tracy Olsen reported that the Board met in executive session just prior to tonight's meeting to discuss real estate issues.

Presentation

John Seldomridge was recognized with an "Outstanding Citizenship Recognition" for his commitment to the Honey Brook community. A certificate was presented to Mr. Seldomridge. Several members of his family and friends were present.

Consent Agenda: Travis Stacey made a motion, seconded by Tracy Olsen, to approve the following consent agenda:

1. Approve the Board of Supervisors Minutes of the April 5 Workshop and April 11, 2018 Regular Business Meeting.
2. Accept the Recreation and Parks Board Minutes of April 19, 2018
3. Accept the Land Preservation Committee Minutes of April 17, 2018.
4. Accept the April 2018 Financial Reports.
5. Accept the April 2018 Zoning and Building Report submitted by Technicon.
6. Accept the April 2018 Manager's Report.
7. Accept the PA State Police Incident Reports for March and April 2018.

All in favor. Motion carried.

Departmental Reports

1. Public Works Director: Steve Landes read a report on Don's behalf. Roadside mowing started today. The new pickup truck has been delivered. The old pickup was sold on an electronic auction site and is on the agenda later tonight to approve the sale of it for \$13,700. Pesticide application will take place over Memorial Day weekend at James Umble Park. The Roads Crew has started cleaning up ditches along Township roads this and next month. Work on the Park Road project will start back up in the next few weeks.

2. Kristy Deischer-Eddy, Administrative Assistant: The Office of the Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives is now supervising the staff from Congressman Meehan's office

The Honey Brook Community Partnership awarded \$3,000 in grant monies. \$500 was awarded to the Boy Scouts, Hearts in Hands (Indian Run), and Honey Brook Youth Center. \$250 was awarded to Shepherd's Kitchen (Honey Brook Presbyterian Church), Girl Scouts, Honey Brook Women's Club, Honey Brook Environmental Group, Honey Brook Food Pantry, and Honey Brook Library.

Harmony Day will be held on Saturday, September 15. New this year is a carnival at the Honey Brook Fire Company fairgrounds beginning Wednesday, September 12 and ending September 15. Wednesday through Friday hours will be 6:00-10:00 pm; Saturday will begin at noon and until...? "Tons of Fun" is the carnival vendor.

Also, on Harmony Day, the Park & Rec Board will hold an outdoor movie in Umble Park, with a rain date of September 22. Stay tuned for details as to movie and time.

Zoning Hearing 2018-3 has been continued to June 18.

The newsletter link is available on the website. Hard copies will show up in mailboxes soon.

3. Steven Landes, Township Manager: There are two items on tonight's agenda:
  - a. There is a motion to authorize advertisement of an ordinance to establish fees for more than one false alarm in a calendar year. The Honey Brook Fire Company asked the Supervisors to adopt an ordinance to address the problem with property owners having multiple false alarms and not fixing the problem. The ordinance allows one false alarm in a calendar year, and after that, fees will be charged. Also fees will increase for subsequent alarms. The Supervisors hope that will cut down on the number of false alarms.
  - b. The next item is a motion to authorize advertisement of an ordinance to enter into an agreement with Caernarvon, Lancaster County. Don Johnson has been working on a handshake agreement for many years with Caernarvon's Public Works Director and now both municipalities want to formalize it.

A resident asked if the fee for false alarms would go to the Fire Company. Steve Landes stated that it would go back to the Fire Company in the form of a donation.

4. Land Preservation Committee: Shade Hadden reported that about 400 acres have been approved per year at a steady pace for preservation. The Land Preservation Plan Update that is currently underway will show the many benefits of land preservation and what still needs to be done. The annual report to the Board of Supervisors will be held at the Committee's next meeting on Tuesday, May 22, 2018 at 7 pm.

Tracy Olsen stated that this work is possible due to the 0.5% Earned Income Tax that's collected (out of the 1.5%).

Bob Witters, Dogwood Drive, asked how many acres have been preserved so far. Shane Hadden stated that it is roughly 4,000 acres, or 30% of the land in the Township, has been preserved that will never have houses or need roads, sewer, or schools.

5. Recreation and Parks Board: Kristy Deischer-Eddy stated that registration has started for the half-day camp. 21 children have registered for 50 of the 200 spots so far. They are expected to fill quickly.
6. Planning Commission (PC): Mike Reinert stated there are only two variance applications for the PC to review this month. One is for a Home Occupation in the Commercial district, and one is for an encroachment on the setback and excess impervious coverage.

#### Open Forum

Bob Witters asked why Zoning Hearing Board (ZHB) 2018-3 was continued. Kristy Deischer-Eddy reported that the ZHB chair stated that there was not enough information on the plans provided by the applicant.

#### New Business

1. Travis Stacey made a motion, seconded by Tracy Olsen, to approve the payment of all invoices prepared by the Treasurer. All in favor. Motion carried.
2. Travis Stacey made a motion, seconded by Tracy Olsen, to award the sale of a surplus 2004 GMC Sierra 2500HD pickup truck to the high bidder Leigh Earnshaw in the amount of \$13,700.00 as received on the electronic auction site MunicBid. All in favor. Motion carried.
3. Travis Stacey made a motion, seconded by Tracy Olsen, to authorize the Solicitor to advertise an ordinance for action at the June meeting to establish fees for the owner of any property who has more than one false alarm in a calendar year. All in favor. Motion carried.
4. Travis Stacey made a motion, seconded by Tracy Olsen, to authorize the Solicitor to advertise an ordinance for action at the June meeting to enter into an agreement with Caernarvon Township, Lancaster County to assist each other with road work and snow plowing. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. Travis Stacey made a motion, seconded by Tracy Olsen, to adopt Resolution #10-2018 to allow the City of Coatesville to join the Western Chester County Regional UCC Board of Appeals. All in favor. Motion carried.
6. Other New Business: Travis Stacey made a motion, seconded by Tracy Olsen, to offer the landowner of parcels 22-4-42 and 22-4-56 an added 5% over the appraised value (not to exceed \$20,000) as an incentive to settle on their Agricultural Easement this year. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### Old Business

None.

Open Forum

John Seldomridge thanked the Board for his certificate and stated he appreciates it. I couldn't have done it without my family here behind me.

Adjourn

Travis Stacey made a motion, seconded by Tracy Olsen, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm.

Upcoming Meetings: *All meetings are held in the Township Administration Building, 500 Suplee Road beginning at 7:00 p.m. unless noted. Dates and times are subject to change*

May 10	Trail Study Committee
May 17	Recreation and Parks Board at 7:30 p.m.
May 22	Land Preservation Committee Meeting and Annual Report to Supervisors
May 24	Planning Commission
June 7	Board of Supervisors Workshop
June 13	Board of Supervisors Regular Business
June 14	Trail Study Committee
June 18	Zoning Hearing Board

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy J. Deischer-Eddy, Recording Secretary