

December 3rd, 2020 Supervisors Minutes

Chairman Clapper called the December 3rd, 2020 Supervisors meeting to order.

The following members were present: Don Clapper, Mike Ferguson.

The minutes from the November 6th meeting were approved as written.

The Treasurers report was distributed to each Supervisor for review.

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The Supervisors Meeting was paused for a hearing requested by John Flannery regarding an appeal to a Sewage Permit Application Denial. The Hearing was advertised in the Record Herald on November 21, 2020. Zach Rice was present as council for Guilford Township for this case. Jodi Lambert was present as our recorder for the hearing tonight. The meeting was turned over to Zach. Chairman Clapper called an executive session, upon return of the executive session

Chairman Clapper made a motion seconded by Mike Ferguson to grant the appeal reversing the SEO's October 8, 2020 letter denying Mr. Flannery's on-lot sewage disposal system permit # Z176603 as a result of testimony, demonstrating that the denial constitutes a significant hardship on Mr. Flannery and the property. The testimony also demonstrated that the eco-flow system designed for the property is designed to adequately mitigate any potential harm or damage that could otherwise arise from a limited portion of the system being located within the required 10 buffer.

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Chairman Clapper opened with Privilege of the floor.

Friends of Mont Alto Park were present to inform the Township of some upgrades they are undertaking and to request funding relating to some of their improvements.

Chairman Clapper shared his feelings on the request, stating that we have our own facilities that our residents taxes help support and it takes a lot to keep Norlo Park up.

#1. We don't have the revenue to increase our spending at our own facilities how can we participate in someone else's projects.

#2. If we had excess monies my desire would be to give more to the Emergency Services providers because they are an absolute necessity to the public health, safety and welfare of our Township, which is our sworn commitment as Supervisors. They have had a terrible time with their regular fundraising activities due to the COVID restrictions.

I can appreciate your interest in the project however I feel the support should come directly from individuals in the community that personally feel committed to support your efforts not from the gov't using taxpayer funds at their will. Chairman Clapper thanked them for sharing and volunteered to make their fliers available at the office as well as on the website however acknowledged that there just was no way financially we could assist them

Resolution 2020-13 is an agreement between Franklin Fire Company and Guilford Township for fire services to our township. On a Ferguson/Clapper motion carried unanimously, the Supervisors authorized the Chairman to execute the agreement.

Resolution 2020-14 is a request from Greene Township to use Marion Volunteer Fire Co. Fire Police to assist with a non-emergency event. The event is a Christmas Cash Dash 5/10 K event and will occur between 8:30 and 10:30 am on Saturday, December 5th 2020. The event will begin and end at Grand Point Church, 2230 Grand Point Road. On a Ferguson/Clapper motion carried unanimously, the Supervisors approved the request.

Chairman Clapper shared that he requested and received an RFP for ZHB Solicitor (a copy was distributed to each Supervisor). He mentioned that there have been some ongoing concerns with some recent cases: **The case in Marion that was given a variance, when it was presented to the planning committee as an incomplete application with multiple ongoing issues and then a case where a small percentage change in use was requested and it was denied.** Billing discrepancies, such as charges for things like: **Travel** (he has not been to a hearing, he has been connecting by Zoom) **Long distance phone calls** (when asked if they use cable including phone the reply was yes, however we split our bills between our customers to cover the charges. Charging business overhead above their hourly rate). On a Clapper/Ferguson motion carried unanimously, the Supervisors approved making this recommendation to the ZHB to replace the ZHB Solicitor citing numerous concerns.

On a Ferguson, Clapper motion carried unanimously, the Supervisors approved the Final Budget for 2021.

On a Ferguson/Clapper motion carried unanimously, the Supervisors approved the paying of the bills.

There was no New Business

Under Old Business

- Chairman Clapper shared the interest of Brace Hutson to install bat and bird houses, made for his Boy Scout Life Rank Project, at Norlo Park. There appeared to be no concerns with his proposal however, Don shared interest in additional information such as the recommended locations and the total structures that he requested from Brace.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:31 p.m. on a Ferguson/Clapper motion carried unanimously.

Shannon Malott, Secretary/Treasurer