March 21st, 2024 Supervisors Minutes

Chairman Clapper called the March 21st, 2024 Supervisors meeting to order.

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

The minutes from the March 7th meeting were approved as written. The Treasurers report was distributed to each Supervisor for review.

Chairman Clapper opened with Privilege of the floor – No Comment

Two high school students were present as part of a class assignment.

Bernie Goldberg from 7009 Fairway Oaks was present to present a concern regarding the forced closing of South Mountain Golf Course.

- Mike made a unanimous motion seconded by Ted to approve Resolution # 2024-03 to object to the closing of South Mountain Golf Course.
- Ted made a unanimous motion seconded by Mike to approve the Chairman to write a letter to the Governor disapproving of the closure of South Mountain Golf Course to accompany our resolution

The Line Painting award was carried over from our previous bid opening. Ted made a unanimous motion seconded by Don to reject all bids for line painting due to the bid from an unknown contractor and not having the assurance they would be able to work on our schedule with having the paving and sealcoating done at different times. For safety purposes Ted felt we needed to make certain the awarded contractor would be flexible to line paint directly after the roads are resurfaced.

On a Ferguson/Bittinger motion carried unanimously, the Supervisors approved a request from Shalom Christian Academy for fire police assistance from Marion Volunteer Fire Department for a non-emergency event. The event is being held on Saturday May 4th for a 5K Race during their annual Dutchfest.

On a Bittinger/Ferguson motion carried unanimously, the Supervisors approved Box Card Changes for FVFD and NFVFD. They were reviewed by our Emergency management Coordinator and Assistant with an approval of the changes.

Chairman Clapper shared a letter (letter distributed) from the Planning Committee supporting a use variance request from Larry Rife for a property located at 2084 Lincoln Way East. The property is zoned commercial however it was used as a residential use until 2 years ago when the old trailer was removed from the property with the intent of placing a new trailer on the lot and selling the lot. Unfortunately, a demo permit was not acquired for the removal of the trailer nor was the Township made aware of the intent. The one-year statue, per our ordinance, to have a replacement dwelling for a continued non-conforming use has now expired therefore requiring a variance to continue the use. This property has previously received a variance from the ZHB to install a larger mobile home than was previously on the property. On a Bittinger/Clapper motion carried unanimously, the Supervisors approved the Chairman to send a letter to the ZHB in consort with the Planning Committee's letter in support of the variance.

Chairman Clapper shared that he received word from Chris Snavely that he is closing his business this spring. Therefore, our tree planting program for Norlo Park that we just created is going to be defunct. On a Clapper/Ferguson motion carried unanimously, the Supervisors agreed to abandon our current tree planting memorial until such time as we secure a program with another company.

A proposal was received from Triad Engineering regarding a sinkhole on Congressional Terrace. A copy was distributed to each Supervisor for review. The proposal is for a geo-technical exploration/evaluation, the total cost is not to exceed \$15,740.00. On a Bittinger/Clapper motion carried unanimously, the Supervisors approved the proposal.

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

Under Old Business -

• Don updated the supervisors on the MS4.

A copy of Dewberry's project, proposal and timeline have been distributed.

 Ted updated the Supervisors on the progress of the replacement storm drains on Augusta National (completed awaiting blacktop), Fairway Oaks (awaiting blacktop and relaying stone wall), Planning to do Fairway Dr. East next week.

Under New Business -

 Next week N.S. is scheduled for flagging on Third St. for our guys to remove the pavement and physically close Third Street from S.R. 914 to Alleman Rd. The PUC and Salzmann are still working on the final vacation paperwork. The road signs will be taken down, no outlet signs will be installed and concrete barriers will be installed by the RR ROW.

The Supervisors went into Executive Session to discuss personnel matter.

The Supervisors discussed the interviews that had happened earlier in the week and a decision was made to offer the position to Corey Brindle. Corey is coming to the Supervisors from the Sewer Authority so he will be credited with ¼ of his time from the Authority. We are expecting Corey to begin his employment with the Supervisors on April 8, 2024.

The Supervisors intend to appoint Greg Thomas to Road Foreman in preparation for the expected retirement of our Roadmaster Ted Bittinger.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. on a Bittinger/Ferguson motion carried unanimously.