

Union Township Board of Supervisors
 Non-Legislative Meeting
 June 10, 2020 5:00 p.m.

The Union Township Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order by Chairperson Heather Daerr at 5:00p.m.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

A Moment of Prayer was held by Pastor Ken

Attendees at Township Offices were: Chairperson Heather Daerr, Vice Chair Charles Trax, Supervisor Richard Lawson, Supervisor Frank Massari, and Secretary/Assistant Treasurer Roberta Singer and Zoning and Code Officer Linda Roach.

Also in attendance were: Solicitor Gary Sweat, Engineer Jamie Harshman, Engineer Jessica Stiner, Accountant Frank Palermo, Officer Ryan Lenzi from the City of Monongahela Police Department, Joseph from Chief Lenny Bailey's Office at Elrama VFD.

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

None

Executive Sessions were held on June 8, 2020 to discuss personnel and litigation matters.

Motion to have Supervisor Lawson contact all Schell Electric to put up Veterans Memorial flags. OSHA guidelines must be adhered to.

Motion by: Heather Daerr

Second by: Richard Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Accountant Report – Mr. Palermo submitted his report and copy kept on file.

Solicitor's Report – Mr. Sweat submitted his report and copy kept on file. Updated on various topics as we progressed through meeting.

Engineers Report – Mr. Harshman and Ms. Stiner gave their report and a copy kept on file.

Drusbasky -- series of suits and all dismissed. Asking about storm drain being put back into property and status. As long as lawsuits and claims resolved, wants drain put back in. Harshman will research and make recommendations. Drusbasky must sign release prior to installation so we don't have to have multiple suits & complaints – and around \$15,000 - \$20,000 worth of work but should definitely be done. No effect on sewage upgrades. Drainage Discharge Easement signed.

Police Department – Officer Lenzi gave his report

SEREMS – gave their report

Unfinished Business:

Vacant Seats – tabled until Emergency Declaration period is over.

Motion to add the following items to the Agenda:

Motion to discuss PRD Ordinance 30-day requirement, Zoom/Virtual meeting, SEREMS Board Appointment and Drusbasky pipe issue.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Trax

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to Approve PSATS Municipal Boot Camp Webinar (Virtual Boot Camp) Do at your own pace – Cost is \$109.00 for Members; \$159.00 Non-Members

Motion: Daerr

Second: Massari

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Paliotta – Union Gardens Site - Discussion ensued about trying to get fee waived based on engineers drawing, cost of new permit and amount of dirt to be moved. Filed for permit in 2018 for \$13,000.00 - they did not use to full potential – worked without erosion control and stockpiled dirt. New permit submitted for less money. Washington County has not signed off as of this date. Fee should not be waived. Discussion ensued about trying to get fee waived based on engineers drawing, cost of new permit and amount of dirt to be moved.

Motion to Deny Paliotta request for waiving permit fee.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Trax

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to Ratify Employment Decision made on May 22, 2020 – During James F. Donahoe Probationary Period – not to extend an offer of employment and to terminate his services effective May 26, 2020.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Massari

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to Approve M O'Herron the Overlook Sanitary Sewer Project for \$293,202.00

Motion: Daerr

Second: Trax

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion to Approve 2nd lowest bidder Plavchak for bathroom upgrade and the Township pay an additional \$15,000.00 for bathroom upgrade project – lowest bidder backed out and having to take 2nd lowest bidder. No Change Orders.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Massari

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to Approve Animal Control Services contact – July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 at a cost of \$225.00 per month.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Massari

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to Approve South Hills/Mon Valley Messenger Contract – April 2020 through April 2021 at a cost of \$1,995.00 and for six (6) display advertising insertions

Motion: Daerr

Second: Massari

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to confirm applying for DGLVR Grant for Holman Road Culvert -

Motion: Lawson

Second: Daerr

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to Approve DGLVR Grant and attendees – July 15 & 16, 2020 – Beaver County @ Independence Twp. Vol. Fire Department, Aliquippa, PA 15001, specifically Supervisor Lawson and Secretary Roberta Singer.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Massari

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to Approve Advertisements for Penn Vest Loan Guaranteed Revenue Note Documents –
Sweat Law offices to handle all advertisements

Motion: Daerr

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to Approve Solicitor's office filing Declaration of Taking for .8 acres – Mingo Circle
Sewage Project Tax Parcel ID: 640-011-00-00-0060-00

Motion: Massari

Second: Trax

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve purchase of Trail Cams for \$69.99 each from Amazon for Cardox Road.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Discussion held re: PCSA and CMA Capacity Response – CMA not honoring taps for our sewage
projects. 100+ taps available for various housing projects. Harshman CE Group to investigate.

Motion made to approve Harshman to move forward with the Finleyville-Elrama road project

Motion: Daerr

Second: Massari

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve Harshman CE Group to coordinate and attend meeting with the Fire
Department and Scarmazzi Builders to discuss Fire Flow – upgrade of water line -

Motion: Daerr

Second: Massari

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to table the discussion of lawn equipment repairs costs

Motion: Daerr

Second: Massari

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to table discussion re: Lease for Nike Site staging. Resident v. Non-Resident

Motion: Daerr

Second: Trax

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to table VMP Park reopening and general use of same. (e-mail from 6/5/2020 @ 8:58 a.m.)

Motion: Daerr

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to table request of U S Census Bureau – Office Space. (e-mail from 6/5/2020 @ 8:58 a.m.)

Motion: Daerr

Second: Massari

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve the City Mission picking up personal property abandoned at 13 Mingo Circle / Property and Contents

Motion: Trax

Second: Massari

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Discussed Petitions received from Cardox Road Residents. All seem reasonable. To discuss further after bid package received.

Motion to approve the addition of a second trail cam to Cardox Road per resident's request

Motion: Massari

Second: Trax

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Board agreed to the request from EQT for a Pre-Application Discussion / Mingo Pad - No motion needed.

Discussed Sidewalk repair – Circle Drive. Agreed by the Board to fix for the resident but need quotes to present to the board at next meeting. No Motion Needed.

Motion to table next steps on sewer lines / HCEG Report / Solicitor Advice

Motion: HD

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to table discussion regarding Chief Harris Traffic Count Detector (Feb. bid is for \$3,265.00 – may have increased a bit)

Motion: Daerr

Second: Massari

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to submit to the UTPD an updated SEO Ordinance for review

Motion: Lawson

Second: Massari

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Massari – yes

Motion Carried

Discussed Stabryla Request for Extra Asphalt for additional curb (bump). To be on agenda after 2020 paving program bids are done. No motion needed.

Motion to approve Bill Pay List in the amount of \$66,730.05.

Motion: Trax

Second: Massari

Roll Call: Daerr-yes Trax-yes Lawson-yes Massari-yes

Motion Carried

Motion made to approve Harshman to update our SALDO Ordinance to allow for 30 day review period and present to the UTPD.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax-yes Lawson-yes Massari-yes

Motion Carried

Motion made to approve \$30,000.00 check to Sweat Law for Escrow for Banahasky property

Motion: Daerr

Second: Massari

Roll call: Daerr-yes Trax-yes Lawson-yes Massari-yes

Motion Carried

Discussed SERMS opening on board. UT declined. Not enough manpower at this time.
Discussed ZOOM meetings. Agreed to keep meetings open to the public following COVID guidelines. Secretary to look into cost of having Advent possible hold zoom meetings.

Motion made to approve Sweat Law Offices to prepare paperwork and correspondence regarding Drusbasky pipe issue

Motion: Daerr

Second: Massari

Roll Call: Daerr-yes Trax-yes Lawson-yes Massari-yes

Motion Carried

No remarks from Supervisors or Staff.

Executive Session 7:30 PM

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Massari

Roll Call: Daerr-Yes Trax-yes Lawson-yes Massari-yes

Motion Carried



ROBERTA J. SINGER, Secretary