

**Union Township Board of Supervisors
Public Meeting
August 25, 2021 @ 5:00 p.m.**

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Proof of Publication confirmed

Attendees at meeting were: Heather Daerr, Chairperson; Charles Trax, Vice Chairman; Richard Lawson, Supervisor/ Treasurer; Hal D. Breinig, Supervisor/Roadmaster; David A. Esken, Supervisor/Roadmaster

Also, in attendance were: Roberta Singer, Secretary/Ass't. Treasurer; Karen Brown, Administration; Gary Sweat, Solicitor, Sweat Law Offices; Jamie Harshman, Engineer – Harshman CE Group, LLC; Sean O'Dell, Engineer – Harshman CE Group, LLC; Sarah Scott, Esquire, Sweat Law Offices,

Public Comment:

Linda Evans Boren – 22 Parkvue Drive – Possibly consider moving meetings back to 7:00 p.m. so residents can attend meetings.

Cheryl Robinson – 6265 Brownsville Road Extension – The Conditional Use of Q & A Decision of rezoning, what does that mean? Solicitor Sweat – that is a typo should be Amended Zoning Hearing Decision, it does not change the decision of denial.

Michalle Dupree – 6178 State Route 88 – regarding settlement with Shaun McQuillan. 4th employee hired and contract broken – buyout amount – Supervisors not doing job with breaking contract – What is the game plan – if there is a game plan, you are not sharing with the residents. You need to share game plan since only 2 road crew is not nearly enough.

Executive Sessions: Personnel & Litigation

August 11, 2021
August 12, 2021
August 18, 2021
August 19, 2021
August 25, 2021

Solicitor's Report – will comment on items as they come up during the meeting.

Chairman's Report – nothing to report at present.

Unfinished Business: - Vacancies - None

Motion to approve minutes from July 14, 2021, public meeting.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Breinig

Roll Call: Daerr – abstain Trax – abstain Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Ms. Daerr abstained do to she has not read them yet. Mr. Trax abstained as he was not present for meeting.

Motion to approve minutes from July 21, 2021, special meeting.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Breinig

Roll Call: Daerr – abstain Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Ms. Daerr abstained do to she has not read them yet.

Motion to approve minutes from July 28, 2021, public meeting.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Esken

Roll Call: Daerr – abstain Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Ms. Daerr abstained do to she has not read them yet.

Motion to approve Amended Lot 502R Tuscan Estates Phase Five Subdivision Plan, subject to satisfying Harshman CE Group comments per their August 6, 2021, review letter.

Motion: Breinig

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve Amended Lot 503R Tuscan Estates Phase Five Subdivision Plan, subject to satisfying Harshman CE Group comments per their August 6, 2021, review letter.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve Tuscan Estates using our Board Room for their HOA meetings. Specific dates are September 28, 2021; October 5, 2021; October 12, 2021; October 26, 2021; and November 16, 2021.

Motion: Esken

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve settlement with Shaun McQuillan for Grievance Nos. 20538 and 20539 and global settlement of all outstanding matters, including severance pay.

Motion: Breinig

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve dates for Fall Leaf Cleanup to be Monday, October 25, 2021; Monday, November 1, 2021; Monday, November 8, 2021.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Breinig

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve dates for Budget Workshop dates being Wednesday, October 6, 2021 @ 5:00 p.m.; Wednesday, November 3, 2021 @ 5:00 p.m.; Wednesday, November 17, 2021 @ 5:00 p.m. Union Township staff to do advertising.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Breinig

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve Sewage Workshop for the Finleyville Elrama Project to be held on Monday, October 4, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. and Harshman CE Group, LLC to do advertising for same.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Breinig

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve payment of Invoice 6044 to Slusarczyk Excavating, LLC in the amount of \$5,175.00 for the installation of the holding tank at 4042 Finleyville Elrama Road. This price includes withholding ten percent (10%) payment (\$575.00) until the grass reaches 70% cover over the disturbed area.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Breinig

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve payment of Invoice 6045 to Slusarczyk Excavating, LLC in the amount of \$4,900.00 for the driveway repair and work performed in the area of the unknown 30" diameter pipe in order to collect the flow to the holding tank at 4042 Finleyville Elrama Road.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Breinig

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Supervisor Lawson made comments about Slusarczyk did a very good job, even though there were a few obstacles to overcome, and were quick to help correct the problems.

Motion to approve The Decision with Findings of Facts and Conclusions of Law for the Q&A Rezoning Hearing, held on August 10, 2021.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve opening of Cardox Road to complete the road project by installing cautionary and safety signs where the road narrows and for Sweat Law Offices to draft a Resolution stating the Board of Supervisors' position conditioned upon Harshman CE Group making sure all checkpoints are correct before they open the road.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Esken

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve payment of Invoice 21-0166 to Geo Energy Tech Services, LLC in the amount of \$1,485.60 for the Gun Club Road (T-709) Signing and Delineation Safety Improvements Project.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Breinig

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve final Planned Residential Development (PRD) approval for the Mineral Beach Planned Residential Development conditioned on Harshman CE Group letter dated August 24, 2021, to be submitted by end of business day Monday, August 30, 2021.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Breinig

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve Harshman CE Group to proceed with the drainage design near 6916 Spruce Street to alleviate ponding and coordination with Sweat Law Offices to prepare and obtain required easements for the associated outlet pipe.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve date for Halloween (Trick or Treat) which will be scheduled for Sunday, October 31, 2021, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Esken

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve initiating the work for the Finleyville Elrama Road Sewage Project using the \$200,000 LSA Grant, obtained in 2021, in combination with a portion of the funds received from the American Rescue Plan Act and a portion of the General Fund, if needed. The total project estimate is \$438,121.20 with \$46,550.00 being the cost of the 19 PCSA Tap Fees; the costs of the Tap Fees will be collected from properties connected with sewer by this project conditioned upon LSA Grant being released to Township for disbursement to Township.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Breinig

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Discussion regarding Tuscany Road Bond situation. To be tabled until a later date. Gary Sweat to get to Mr. Guido copy of letter as to status of the situation. To be placed on next Agenda for discussion.

Discussion regarding Mingo Sewage Funding. Mr. Harshman to start process as the cut-off dates for application is November 3, 2021. Project total will be around \$2,000,000.00.

Discussion regarding pay per call for volunteer firemen from Elrama and Finleyville. Lenny Bailey stated paying per call is not a wise use of funds. Consider donation above and beyond the usual donation we make. To be tabled until a later date. To be placed on Agenda at end of September.

Discussion regarding Pennsylvania Crime Stoppers and Tip-Line. Explanation was given by Gary Sweat and Sarah Scott of Sweat Law Offices. Doing more research into specifics for Union Township.

Motion to Approve Payroll dated August 20, 2021, in the amount of \$9,087.80 which consists of 1 Administrative, 1 LGA Intern, 2 Road Crew and 1 Road Master.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Daerr

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – abstain Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Breinig abstained because he is working and getting paid.

Motion for Bill Pay list for the General Account in the amount of \$95,004.82.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Breinig

Roll Call: Daerr—yes Trax—yes Lawson—yes Breinig—yes Esken—yes

Motion Carried

Motion for Bill Pay list for the Elrama Sewage Account in the amount of \$6,388.92.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Breinig

Roll Call: Daerr—yes Trax—yes Lawson—yes Breinig—yes Esken—yes

Motion Carried

Correspondence: None

Public Comments:

Linda Evans Boren – 22 Parkvue Drive – requesting information on the cost of Shaun McQuillan buyout/severance. Also questioned what the game plan is for the road crew / layoffs / safety of the 2 / concerns as to what is happening with the tax dollars they pay with only 2 men working / why Shaun McQuillan is not back to work and from the hired consultant Mike Silvestri, we should have a minimum of 5 members on our road crew.

Michalle Dupree – 6178 State Route 88 – requested copy of WESA bill pay list. Ms. Singer stated that it was her error and she had neglected to make the copies and put them out for public to view. Also questioned as to what the game plan is for the road crew and future hiring.

Frank Latorre – 7 Boyka Drive – Horses with Hope – September 7, 2021, is the final car cruise. Will accept contributions and mentioned about give away/prizes at the 9/7/21 car cruise. Also mentioned about contribution from Richard Lawson of his time, expertise, and equipment to help with the rings. Also on September 11, 2021, Cowboy Service Mass at 11:00 a.m. for all Veterans. All Veterans are invited as well as family members.

Supervisor Comments:

Tanner Smida has been successful in getting meeting with the director of Ambulance and Chair EMS and have a phone conference scheduled with him next Monday to discuss the Pulse Point initiative.

Also, Supervisors nor Solicitor will speak about employment issues. More specifically, the employee has asked that his settlement with the Township remain confidential.

Road Crew last year we only had 1 man and he did a wonderful job. There is hiring being talked about, but we cannot discuss that.

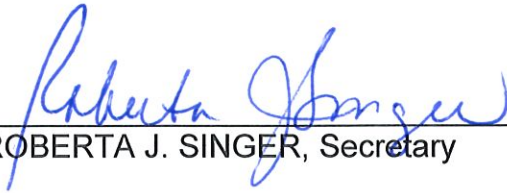
Motion to Adjourn @ 6:00 p.m.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken - yes

Motion Carried



ROBERTA J. SINGER, Secretary