

MINUTES

BRIGHTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

May 12, 2025

John Curtaccio, Chairman, called the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors, located in the Municipal Building, 1300 Brighton Road, to order at 7:00 P.M. Two (2) visitors were present.

PRESENT: John Curtaccio – Chairman
 Mark Piccirilli – Vice Chairman
 Gary J. Gordon – Supervisor
 Bryan K. Dehart - Manager/Secretary
 Garen Fedeles, Esq. – Solicitor
 Marie S. Hartman, P.E. - Township Engineer

Public Comment – Agenda Items: There was no public comment on agenda items.

Minutes of April 14, 2025 Regular Meeting: Mr. Gordon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Piccirilli, vote unanimous, to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2025 Regular Meeting.

Mr. Curtaccio dispensed with the reading of the monthly **April Reports**. Mr. Piccirilli made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gordon, vote unanimous, to accept the following April Reports as written and submitted.

- A. Treasurer's Report
- B. Building Permit Report
- C. Road Department Report
- D. Police Department Report
- E. Fire Department Report
- F. Report of Tax Collectors
- G. Report of Fines
- H. Recycling Report

Planning Commission Resignation/Vacancy: There is a vacancy on the Planning Commission for a term ending December 31, 2027. Kevin Crawford of Anderson Avenue expressed interest in filling the vacancy.

Mr. Gordon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Piccirilli, vote unanimous, to appoint Kevin Crawford to the Planning Commission to fill the unexpired term ending December 31, 2027.

Personnel Actions: Seasonal Employment: Each year the Board approves the hiring of seasonal employees. Mr. Dehart recommended Jack Bible at a recommended rate of \$13.50 per hour (returning employee), William Brightwell, and Anthony Rabatin, both at a rate of \$12.00 per hour.

Mr. Piccirilli made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gordon, vote unanimous, to hire as seasonal employees Jack Bible at \$13.50 per hour and William Brightwell and Anthony Rabatin at \$12.00 per hour.

2025 Roadway Improvement Program Contract 25-R01: At the April meeting the Board awarded the 2025 Roadway Improvement Program Contract to Youngblood Paving, Inc. in the amount of \$528,740.25. Of this total, \$49,631 will be reimbursed by Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania and \$52,314.25 is a park improvement project. The Township Engineer said that the contract documents are being compiled for execution. Columbia Gas is completing work in the Windy Ghoul Plan, necessary prior to paving.

Award Bids Beaver County Regional COG 2025 Summer & Winter Commodities Bid: At the March 10, 2025 meeting the Board authorized participation in the 2025 Beaver County Regional COG Summer & Winter Commodities. The bids have been opened, but the BCRCOG has not submitted the results to the Township.

Approve Proposal for License Plate Reader System: A quotation in the amount of \$12,736 has been received for the installation of a License Plate Reader (LPR) system at the intersection of Tuscarawas Road and Dutch Ridge Road. Secure Technical Solutions maintains the existing systems on Brighton Road at its intersections with Tuscarawas Road and Dutch Ridge Road. Installation will be on a pole(s) owned by the Municipal Authority.

Mr. Piccirilli made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gordon, vote unanimous, to accept the quote from Secure Technical Solutions in the amount of \$12,736 for the purchase and installation of a LPR system at the intersection of Tuscarawas Road and Dutch Ridge Road.

Contract No. 24-PK1 Two Mile Run Park Trails Phase 2: At the July 2024 meeting, the Board awarded a bid contract to LM&R Excavating, LLC in the amount of \$159,900 for construction of trail loops B and C in Two Mile Run Park. The Engineer has advised the contractor of items requiring completion, including additional seeding. The Township Engineer said that a project walkthrough was conducted with the contractor on April 22nd. Areas in need of vegetative growth were identified. An inspection with the Beaver County Conservation District will be scheduled.

Contract No. 22-ST01 2022 Stormwater Improvements (Beaver Woods Detention Pond): The Beaver Woods Detention Pond Retrofit Project constructed by Pride Masonry, Inc. is in the maintenance period. An inspection by the Beaver County Conservation District found items that need to be addressed. The Township Engineer said there has been no response from the contractor, and there have been reports that they are no longer in business. A formal notice will be sent with specific deadlines for response, scheduling, and project completion. If they deadlines are not complied with action will be taken against the maintenance bond.

BTVFD Community Building: Moshier Studio has begun the initial stages of design services for a new building to be constructed at the site of the Social Hall. A basic floor plan has been prepared and options for exterior view and exterior elevations are being prepared. Plans for utility relocations prior to building demolition will need to be prepared. The Township Engineer will contact Duquesne Light Company about relocating the utility pole and power supply. A utility plan will be provided.

Resolution No. 2025-16 Exoneration of Real Estate Taxes for Qualified Disabled Veteran: This Resolution exonerates the 2025 Real Estate Taxes on Tax Parcel No. 55-039-0204.000 based on a determination by the PA State Veterans' Commission of qualification for exemption for real estate taxes due on or after February 27, 2025.

Mr. Gordon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Piccirilli, vote unanimous, to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2025-16 exonerating the 2025 Real Estate Taxes on Tax Parcel No. 55-039-0204.000.

Resolution No. 2025-17 Authorizing Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Program Grant Application: The Township has prepared a PA Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Program Grant (GTRP) application for the Two Mile Run Trail Pedestrian Bridge project. The project involves the installation of a fiberglass pedestrian bridge over Two Mile Run Creek to connect the Phase I and Phase II trail projects in Two Mile Run Park. The project also includes construction of a wooden deck wetland crossing, and 1,000 LF of natural surface trail. The total project cost is \$282,210. Grant funding of \$239,750 is requested and matching funds of \$42,460 are required.

Mr. Gordon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Piccirilli, vote unanimous, to approve Resolution No. 2025-17 authorizing filing of a PA Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Program Grant (GTRP) application for the Two Mile Run Trail Pedestrian Bridge project requesting funding of \$239,750.

Mr. Gordon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Piccirilli, vote unanimous, to authorize the Chairman to sign a matching funds commitment letter in the amount of \$42,460 for the grant application.

Authorize Filing Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program Grant Application: Heritage Valley Health System, Inc (HVHS) has requested the Township to be the municipal applicant for a PA Redevelopment Capital Program (RACP) grant application for \$750,000 in funding towards a new surgical step-down unit at the hospital. The grant program requires a municipality to be the applicant and conduit for the grant funds for non-government project. The Township would enter into an Agreement with HVHS that would indemnify and hold harmless the Township for any claims or financial responsibility. M:7 Agency will fulfill the role of consultant for HVHS and will assist with all administrative duties required for the application, grant administration and filings. The Township acted in this capacity for a 2023 RACP project for HVHS.

Mr. Piccirilli made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gordon, vote unanimous, to approve the request of HVHS to act as the lead agency for the RACP grant application to seek funding for a new surgical step-down unit at the hospital and authorizing the Township Manager to act on behalf of the Township for this purpose.

Agreement for Use of Township Facilities: The Township Manager has discussed the Facility Use Agreement with both the American Legion and Colt baseball teams. Insurance has been received and signed Agreements have been provided.

Mr. Piccirilli made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gordon, vote unanimous, to approve and authorize execution of the Facility Use Agreements with the American Legion and Colt baseball teams.

Two Mile Run PRP Stormwater Project Update: The Township Engineer is designing and obtaining permits for a stormwater facility to meet the full obligations of the Township's Pollution Reduction Plan (PRP) for the Two Mile Run watershed as part of the MS4 permit. The Engineer said that a pre-application meeting was conducted with PA DEP on January 22nd. However, they have not determined the type of permit the Township should file. It is either a jurisdictional or non-jurisdictional dam.

MS4 Program: The Township Engineer advised the Board that the annual BMP reviews were completed on April 17th. Reports are being prepared.

Stormwater BMP Operations & Maintenance Agreements: James D. and Melanie A. Rosenkranz have filed an individual small stormwater management BMP Agreements for construction of a single-family home at 4539 Dutch Ridge Road. The BMP proposed is the construction of rock sump.

Mr. Gordon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Piccirilli, vote unanimous, to approve the Agreement for individual small stormwater management BMP Agreement submitted by James D. and Melanie A. Rosenkranz for construction of a single-family home at 4539 Dutch Ridge Road and authorizing its execution for recording.

Additional Business. The Township Engineer reported that the two (2) PA Small Water and Sewer Grants for stormwater projects were filed. Federal Appropriation applications for funding of the fire training facility were filed with the offices of Senator Federman, Senator McCormick, and Congressman Deluzio.

The Solicitor said that letters have been sent to two (2) property owners regarding the land slide onto Gypsy Glen Road in the area of the BASD practice field. No reply received to date.

Mr. Gordon asked for an update on the installation of the AEDs throughout the Township. Fireman Drew Snyder provided an update.

Mr. Piccirilli noted that the construction of a new Sheets in Vanport Township is no longer going to occur and suggested that a location in Brighton Township could be appealing.

Public Comment: David Phillips of 168 Eric Drive appeared at the April meeting and asked the Board for permission to have a basketball hoop installed at the end of the Eric Drive cul-de-sac. After his presentation and discussion by the Board, his request was declined. Mr. Phillips again was in attendance to renew the request. He showed a listing of residents in the plan who signed a letter of support for the installation of the basketball hoop. He also discussed the issue of liability. The Board expressed concern over approving and encouraging children to play on the street, which is designed for vehicular traffic. Options were discussed suggesting contact with the BASD to move the installation onto their property immediately beyond the cul-de-sac.

Ratify April Bills List: Mr. Gordon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Piccirilli, vote unanimous, to ratify the April Bills List.

Adjournment: Mr. Piccirilli made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gordon, vote unanimous, to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan K. Dehart
Township Secretary