

**East Pikeland Township
Board of Supervisors Meeting
July 5, 2016**

A public meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Pikeland Township was held on Tuesday, July 5, 2016 at the Township Building, 1158 Rapps Dam Road, Kimberton. Present were Chairman Ron Graham, Vice Chairman Rusty Strauss, Supervisor Ben Campbell and Township Manager Kim Moretti.

Mr. Graham called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Mr. Strauss made a MOTION to approve the June 7, 2016 Board of Supervisors meeting minutes. Mr. Campbell seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

Department Reports

Township Manager – Mrs. Moretti reported that in June she continued to work on the amphitheater project for Kimberton Park; obtained quotes and prepared cost estimates for work to be completed at the Kimberton Meadows; submitted the annual Recycling Performance Grant application to DEP; and attended a DEP sponsored workshop on Stormwater Management. She reported that the Electronic Recycling Event on June 18th was both a success and a failure. 23.6 tons of electronic waste were collected, however residents weren't pleased with long lines and fees charged.

Public Works – Posted.

Police Department – Sgt. Wilson provided June statistics: Officers responded to 302 calls, including 10 criminal arrests and 6 accidents. The Department has purchased a new vehicle, which is currently being outfitted with lights and equipment. New officers have been hired – Rob McCole is now a full-time officer and Rob Wilson has joined the department as a part-time officer.

Environmental Advisory Commission Report – Bill LaPorte, Chairman of the EAC reported that they have one vacancy to fill on the EAC. They have met to discuss the MS4 program, electronic recycling, and possible projects for a DEP grant. They have reviewed the specifications for the single trash hauler program that was last discussed in 2008 and they have no strong recommendation to make to the Board on whether it would be worthwhile to pursue. The EAC will continue to investigate options for electronic waste – especially in light of problems with the June 18th multi-municipal event.

Mr. Campbell asked how adamant the EAC members are about the single trash hauler program. Bill responded that the members discussed impact on the roads and cost comparison between various haulers and they see little benefit to utilizing one hauler. Mr. Graham asked about the township acquiring a dumpster to accept electronic waste. Bill responded that the EAC is investigating this option. Mrs. Moretti commented that a DEP permit would be required in order to collect the electronic waste.

Old Business

Mr. Strauss made a MOTION to approve **RESOLUTION 2016-15**, confirming the township's financial commitment for the PennDOT Green Light Go Grant match. Mrs. Moretti explained that the grant will provide funding to upgrade traffic signals at Route 113 and Coldstream Road, Pothouse Road and Firehouse Lane. The grant amount is \$9,000 to be matched with \$9,000 from the township. Mr. Campbell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Strauss made a MOTION to approve the Signal Service Maintenance two-year contract from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2018. Mr. Campbell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

New Business

Mr. Campbell made a MOTION to approve an increase in wages for part-time police officers from \$21/hour to \$23/hour, effective July 1, 2016. The Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Mr. Campbell made a MOTION to hire Robert Wilson as a part-time police officer, effective June 27, 2016. Mr. Strauss seconded the Motion which passed unanimously.

Discussion

Connell Property on Prizer Road. The township has obtained an appraisal for this 1.39 acre property on Prizer Road in order to consider whether it would be appropriate for a municipal parking lot. The appraised value is \$150,000. Mr. Strauss commented that there is a need for parking in the Village, especially for special events; however he did question whether this is the best location to serve the needs of the village. John Schott commented that a parking lot in this location would contribute to the "Walkable Kimberton" concept and while there may not be a great need for the parking now, the Planning Commission sees a need for formal parking in the future. Kevin Teter commented that it would be useful to have trail connections to a proposed parking lot. John Schott added that a trail connection to township owned property would also be useful.

Public Comment

Kevin and Denise Teter were present to discuss concerns about the noise at the church that occupies the former bowling alley on Schuylkill Road. There have been outside activities at the site with loud music that could be heard at the Teter property on Camp Circle. They asked the Board to take measures to address this noise. Mrs. Moretti will direct the zoning officer to follow up with the church to resolve this issue. Sgt. Wilson will also assist by reaching out to Officer Rosario in Phoenixville, who is a liaison with the church.

Announcements

Mrs. Moretti announced that the Board had met in June with Planning Commission representatives to discuss the progress of the Kimberton Village zoning project.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Submitted by,
Kimberly Moretti, Township Manager