

**East Pikeland Township
Board of Supervisors Meeting
July 11, 2017**

A public meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Pikeland Township was held on Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at the Township Building, 1158 Rapps Dam Road, Kimberton. Present were Chairman Ron Graham, Vice Chairman Rusty Strauss and Township Manager Kim Moretti. Supervisor Ben Campbell was absent.

Mr. Graham called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. following a public hearing on the proposed Kimberton Zoning Amendment.

Presentation

Chairman Graham and Officer Rob Wilson presented a donation of \$1,000 to the Phoenixville Women's Outreach/The House as a pass through contribution from the new Dunkin Donuts on Schuylkill Road. The check was accepted by Cheryl Messere, who explained the purpose of The House and how it has assisted women in the community - taking them from crisis to independence.

Minutes

Mr. Graham made a MOTION to approve the June 6, 2017 Board of Supervisors meeting minutes. Mr. Strauss seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Correspondence

A request was received from Kimberton Arts Alliance to sponsor their Summer Arts Series, which includes six programs. Mr. Graham made a *MOTION to sponsor the Kimberton Arts Alliance Summer Arts Series at the \$250 level.* Mr. Strauss seconded and it passed unanimously.

Department Reports

Township Manager – Mrs. Moretti reported that she has been working with the new Community Resources Coordinator, Michelle Stewart, to orient her on open space, park and recreation, and environmental projects in the township. Two student projects this summer include digitizing all building permits and digitally mapping the stormwater system in the township. The annual Historic Walking Tour on August 3rd will feature the Continental Powder Works on township property. Mrs. Moretti is working with the traffic engineer on a Multi-Modal application for the sidewalk project on the Route 23/724 corridor. Mrs. Moretti reported that the township finances are healthy, with 58% of General Fund Revenues collected and 49% of expenditures half-way through the fiscal year. The Open Space Fund balance is about \$4.2 million and the Liquid Fuels Fund has about \$250,000 which will be spent on road repair projects this year.

Public Works Report – posted.

Police Department – Sgt. Wilson reported that during the month of June the Police Department responded to 255 calls, 1 assault, 5 thefts, 1 motor vehicle theft; made 2 drug arrests and 2 DUI arrests; issued 23 traffic citations and responded to 13 accidents. The Citizen's Police Academy has been postponed until September.

A traffic study was conducted on S. Rapps Dam Road in order to address citizen complaints. The outcome of the study determined that a very small percentage of drivers are exceeding 35mph. The posted speed limit is 25mph; however the police cannot cite a driver until they are 10 mph over the posted speed limit. The department will place the speed tracking sign on S. Rapps Dam Road to make drivers more aware of their driving speed.

Planning Commission Report – John Collaruso reported that the Planning Commission is working on a proposed zoning amendment in Kimberton and reviewed a sketch plan at their July meeting. The sketch plan was for a large apartment building of 4-5 stories high – which would exceed allowable zoning regulations and is out of scale with the current development in the Commercial district where it is proposed.

Old Business

Mr. Strauss made a *MOTION to direct the Township Manager to process a lease agreement with the **Kimberton Fair** Committee to use a portion of the Kimberton Park property for their event from July 24 through July 29, 2017; conditioned upon fireworks beginning no later than 9:30pm in order to comply with the township noise ordinance.* Mr. Graham seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Strauss made a *MOTION to approve Escrow Release No. 1 for Kimberton Glen – Crossover Blvd. in the amount of \$314,539.45, as recommended by the township engineer.* Mr. Graham seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Strauss made a *MOTION to approve Escrow Release No. 1 for Kimberton Glen – Township Line Road Offsite Storm Sewer Construction, in the amount of \$218,758.00, as recommended by the township engineer.* Mr. Graham seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Strauss made a *MOTION to approve Escrow Release No. 1 for Kimberton Glen – Phase 1 Conventional Lot Construction, in the amount of \$517,207.13, as recommended by the township engineer.* Mr. Graham seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Strauss made a *MOTION to approve Escrow Release No. 1 for Kimberton Glen – Active Adult Lot Construction, in the amount of \$476,218.50, as recommended by the township engineer.* Mr. Graham seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

New Business

Mr. Graham made a *MOTION to approve **RESOLUTION 2017-16**, authorizing submission of a Multi-Modal grant application to the Commonwealth Financing Authority for the Route 23/724 Corridor sidewalk project.* Mr. Strauss seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Resident Carol Thompson questioned the need for sidewalks along Route 23 and 724. Mrs. Moretti explained that the grant application would be to fill in the gaps between existing sidewalks to allow for safer and better pedestrian accessibility to commercial centers and bus stops.

Mr. Graham made a *MOTION to adopt **ORDINANCE No. 182**, amending the Zoning Ordinance relative to Kimberton zoning*. Mr. Strauss seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Graham made a *MOTION to adopt **ORDINANCE No. 183**, amending the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance to create a definition for sharrow markings to promote bicycle accessibility*. Mr. Strauss seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Public Comment

None

Announcements

None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:22pm.

Submitted by,
Kimberly Moretti, Township Manager