

SALISBURY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS' MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 2, 2022- 7:00 AM
SALISBURY TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

Supervisors in attendance were Gordon Hoover, Chris Beiler and Dean Stoltzfus.

Also in attendance were John Sigda, 120 Liz Lane; Steven Rickards, 5766 Burkey Road; Leon Smucker, 579 Churchtown Road; Leroy Stoltzfus, 459 Churchtown Road; Alvin F. Beiler, 595 Cambridge Road; Elam S. Fisher, 576 Churchtown Road; Jonathan J. Lapp, Jr., 5923 Wanner Road; Daniel Z. Stoltzfus, 649 Churchtown Road; Christ Blank, 112 Cambridge Road; Larry Hume, 6130 Beaver Dam Road; Chris Horst, 795 Chestnut St; Doug Brose, 329 Jacobs Road; Damian Clawser, Zoning Officer; Kirsten Peachey, Manager.

Items covered in this meeting: Funding for Advanced Life Support Services (Westwood EMS); Gap Softball League Field Maintenance Items; Sewage Planning Module for Paul Blank (PM210002); Stormwater Management Plan for Levi Z. Fisher- 5559 Meadville Road (SWM220060); Financial Guarantee Reduction for David R. Stoltzfus (SWM210093); Zoning and Planning Ordinances; Martin Drive Cal-de-sac.

Chairman Hoover opened the meeting for public comment. John Sigda and Steven Rickards attended the meeting to discuss the stormwater basin that is located on the property of 120 Liz Lane (owned by John Sigda). John & Steven voiced concerns that the developer has not completed construction on the basin and that it poses a health and safety risk to those in the neighborhood because it retains water and because the fencing is not in place to keep people from entering the basin. The Zoning Officer informed him that he has been in recent contact with the owner/developer and they are making progress on fixing the basin. The basin was installed according to the designed plans but after installing the basin it did not operate properly so there was the need for it to be re-engineered. This has led to a delay in the basin being completed. The Board requested that the Township Manager research the issue and come back with more information.

Stoltzfus made a motion to approve the previously distributed minutes, financial and check approval reports. Seconded by Beiler. All voted in favor.

Chairman Hoover opened the public hearing for the proposed ordinance changes and asked if there were any comments/questions on the proposal. Doug Brose attended the meeting to voice concerns about the changes to the kennel ordinance. He stated that kennels create noise issues, smell if the manure is not disposed of properly and pollution to the groundwater/wells on neighboring properties. He felt that the proposed distance for kennels to be set back from property lines of 100 feet was not sufficient to address some of these issues. He also felt it would be helpful to include more definitive language about the manure management such as listing a disposal schedule. He is concerned with barking dogs and how this affects neighboring property owners. He suggested that maybe the fencing requirements may also need to be modified to ensure that sound does not leave the property. He also stated that enforcement would likely be difficult and was wondering if other things could be added to make the ordinance easier to enforce.

Larry Hume attended the meeting to voice a concern about constant barking from dogs on neighboring properties and that people need to be considerate of their neighbors.

Daniel Z. Stoltzfus attended the meeting to state that he was not in favor of changing the

farm size from the current 25 acres to 50 acres. He felt this would make it more difficult for farms/farmers to survive since now that most farms are not doing dairy, they may not need as much land. He felt 25 acres or smaller would be better to give more opportunity for produce farming. He suggested that the Board table action on the ordinance changes until further research could be done on this issue. Several others in attendance also voiced similar concerns.

Hearing no more comments, Hoover closed the public hearing. Stoltzfus made a motion to table action on the proposed ordinance changes until the September 6th board meeting to allow time for more research/discussion at the next work session and meeting. Seconded by Beiler. All voted in favor.

At a previous work session, Westwood EMS provided some information to the Board about changes to the ALS provider and coverage area for Salisbury Township, to be effective September 1, 2022. Along with this information was a funding request in the amount of \$55,784. After discussion, Stoltzfus made a motion to make a donation in the amount of \$20,000. Seconded by Beiler. All voted in favor.

Gap Softball had attended a previous work session with the Board requesting changes, upgrades, repairs that they would like to see for the ballfields at Gap Park. After review, Stoltzfus made a motion to authorize paying for upgrades to field #2 in the amount of \$27,790.00 as proposed in the Hummer Turf proposal (dated 7/21/22) and to allow the Gap Softball League to keep future fundraising sign money (sponsorship banners are hung on outfield fences) to use at the discretion of the League to upgrade and repair the fields. All projects must still be approved by the Township prior to the start of any work. Seconded by Beiler. All voted in favor.

A sewage planning module was submitted for Paul Blank (PM210002) to address the proposed construction of an attached dwelling unit on a 50-acre farm. After review, Stoltzfus made a motion to approve the planning module (Resolution #8-2-22-1). Seconded by Beiler. All voted in favor.

A stormwater management plan was received for Levi Z. Fisher- 5559 Meadville Road (SWM220060) for the construction of a barn and a detached garage. After review, Stoltzfus made a motion to approve the plan and to authorize the Township Manager and a member of the Board to authorize any related documents. Seconded by Beiler. All voted in favor.

A request was received by David R. Stoltzfus to release escrow monies being held for his project (SWM210093). After review, Stoltzfus made a motion to release \$6,111.50, leaving a remaining balance of \$12,864.10, as recommended by the Township Engineer. Seconded by Beiler. All voted in favor.

A request was received from the developer/engineer for the Freedom Land Property at 5140 Martin Drive asking if the Board would allow them to make changes to the grade within the existing, paved cal-de-sac (Martin Dr) so they are able to work with the grades that are leading onto their property from the end of the cal-de-sac. After review, Stoltzfus made a motion to deny the request and make them connect to the existing cal-de-sac so as not to affect the other properties that already have access drive connections to the cal-de-sac. Seconded by Beiler. All voted in favor.

The next work session will be held on August 16th at 2:30 PM, with the regular meeting

to follow at 7:00 PM.

Stoltzfus made a motion to adjourn at 9:45 AM. Seconded by Beiler. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kirsten J. Peachey
Secretary- Salisbury Township