

**Newlin Township  
Board of Supervisors  
Meeting Minutes  
October 14, 2019  
PUBLIC HEARING**

Janie Baird opened the Public Hearing on Pa Act 15 (2018) Amendment to Chester County Act 167 Stormwater Plan Model Ordinance. Correspondence was received from Chester County announcing in April 2018, the Pa General Assembly passed Act 15 of 2018, which amended Act 167 to require all municipalities which have adopted Act 167 ordinances to amend their ordinances to provide an exception for “high tunnels” (under certain conditions) used in Agricultural applications from ordinance regulations. Newlin Township adopted the County-Wide Act 167 Stormwater Management Plan in December 2013.

The hearing was advertised in the Daily Local News on September 30<sup>th</sup>. The hearing was also advertised on the Newlin Township Website.

Copies of the proposed Ordinance were made available to those in attendance. There were no public questions or comments. Janie Baird closed the public hearing.

**Call to Order:** The monthly Board of Supervisors meeting on Monday, October 14, 2019, convened at 8:00 p.m. at the Lenfest Center, Cannery Road, Coatesville, PA. Present were Janie Baird, Bill Kelsall, and Secretary, Gail Abel. Bob Pearson was unable to attend.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Announcement Period:** Janie Baird announced the Board of Supervisors would have an advertised budget meeting on Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8:30 pm, immediately following the Planning Commission meeting at the Lenfest Center.

It was also announced that there is a tentative West Bradford meeting on Embreeville this Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. This meeting is not on the West Bradford Township website.

It was announced that the Supervisors had an executive session after last month’s meeting to discuss land acquisition.

**Comment Period:** No public comments.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the Board of Supervisors meeting and public hearing, held on Monday, September 9, 2019, were read and reviewed. Bill Kelsall made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Janie Baird and the vote was unanimous

Minutes of the Board of Supervisors Budget Work Session meeting, held on Wednesday, September 25, 2019, were read and reviewed. Janie Baird made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Bill Kelsall, and the vote was unanimous.

**Financial Report:** Read by Gail Abel. Bill Kelsall made a motion to approve the financial report, seconded by Janie Baird, and the vote was unanimous.

**Emergency Services:**

West Bradford Fire Co: September report was received, 27 total calls, 4 in Newlin.

Modena Fire Company: September report was received, 0 calls in Newlin.

Good Fellowship Ambulance: September report was received, 0 calls in Newlin. Good Fellowship has announced the opening of two new substations to meet the demands of the growing community.

October is Fire Prevention Month. Secretary, Gail Abel recognized and thanked the volunteers.

Po Mar Lin, Modena Fire Co & Longwood Ambulance reports are received by the Regional Fire Committee.

**Right to Know Requests:** The Township has had 0 right to know requests since the last meeting.

**Pa Act 15 (2018) Amendment to Chester County Act 167 Stormwater Plan Model Ordinance:**

Janie Baird called for questions or comments on the Pa Act 15 Amendment to Chester County Act 167 Stormwater Plan Model Ordinance. With no questions or comments, Janie Baird made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-03 Pa Act 15 Amendment to Chester County Act 167 Stormwater Plan Model Ordinance, seconded by Bill Kelsall, and the vote was unanimous.

**1520 Powell Road Stormwater:** Victoria Yu new owner of 1520 Powell Road has applied for a building permit for construction of a new 1,728 sq ft agricultural horse barn. Craig has reviewed and issued the applications. All fees and escrow are in place.

We have the Stormwater Best Management Practices Operation, Maintenance, and Inspection Plan & Agreement to approve and sign. The 3 original Agreements will be mailed to the applicant for proper recording at Chester County Courthouse. With no questions or comments, Bill Kelsall made a motion to sign and accept the Stormwater Best Management Practices Operation, Maintenance, and Inspection Plan & Agreement, seconded by Janie Baird, and the vote was unanimous.

**Snow Removal Bid Letting:** Janie Baird announced that bids for the 2019-2020 snow season were advertised in the Daily Local News on September 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>. The ad was also on the Township website. The secretary provided the 2 unopened sealed bids. The first bid was received from R&K Septic Services. They stated they are not currently able to submit a formal bid for snow plowing with a 10-Wheeler Dump Truck with plow and spreader. However, they did propose utilizing their services “as needed” for the upcoming plow season. They submitted a bid for a 4x4 truck with an 8.5-foot plow at an hourly rate of \$125.00 per hour. The bid stated the truck is in the Township community and can be available for relief of larger snowstorms.

The second bid was received from D.T. Taylor Excavating. Don Taylor, the owner of D.T. Taylor, has been working with the Township now for 7 years. D.T. Taylor bid for a Tandem axle dump truck with plow and spread is \$205.00 per hour, the rate for an F350 with power angle snow plow is \$125.00 per hour. Bill Kelsall commented last year's bid from D.T. Taylor was \$200.00/\$120.00 per hour. An increase of \$5.00 per hour per truck. With no further questions or comments, Bill Kelsall made a motion to accept the D.T. Taylor Excavating bid for the 2019-2020 Snow Season, seconded by Janie Baird, and the vote was unanimous.

**Hilltop View Road, Beagle Club Road, Kelsall Road:** Barb Forney, Assistant Roadmaster, explained all three roads are dirt & gravel. We have worked with the Chester County Conservation District on all three roads for Grant assistance.

Hill Top View Road: we just submitted an emergency grant to stabilize the road before winter due to a washout from a storm in June 2019. Barb Forney doubts we will be awarded this grant because there is a hold on available money right now. But we wanted to position the Township in case funds do become available.

Kelsall Road: a grant has been submitted and accepted, but the Conservation District announced there is a hold on all grant monies currently.

Beagle Club Road: was just recently finished. Barb Forney is working on a completion report to be submitted to the Conservation District. We do need to install a guide rail; this was not part of the scope of work.

**Laurel Road:** Jim Fritsch provided an update on Laurel Road. Jim has been in correspondence with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Newlin Township, West Bradford Township, Natural Lands, Chester County Conservation District and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

Jim attended a site meeting at the Strasburg Landfill Site with Joshua Crooks, Environmental Protection Specialist, from the DEP on September 12, 2019.

Jim also attended a meeting at the DEP Regional Office to review and obtain copies of their files for the Landfill site on September 16, 2019.

There was a meeting at DEP Regional Office on September 19, 2019 to discuss the Laurel Road Project. In attendance were: Josh Crooks; Bonnie McClennen; Ragesh Patel was representing DEP; David Greaves representing EPA; Ed McFalls representing Michael Rosen, West Bradford landowner; Justin Yaich, and Ron Yutz representing West Bradford Township; Janie Baird, Newlin Township Supervisor; and Peter Williamson representing Natural Lands.

Jim commented all interested parties are acceptable to the proposed public road and proposed driveway and driveways through the Landfill site. The proposed road would connect Laurel Road to Strasburg Road.

There was an opportunity for questions and answers.

Janie Baird said we have a proposal for boundary and aerial topography survey and a plan proposal from Regester Associates. Due to Bob Pearson's absence, the Board has tabled this decision until the November meeting.

**Adjournment:** With no further business, Bill Kelsall made a motion for adjournment, seconded by Janie Baird, and the vote was unanimous.

Time: 8:57pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Abel

Recording Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Gail Abel", is written over a faint circular embossed seal.