

Rush Township Building
Hometown, PA 18252

Minutes of the Rush Township Board of Supervisors

A meeting was held at the Rush Township Municipal Building on June 20, 2019 at 7:00 PM. In attendance were: Chairman Shawn Gilbert, Vice Chairman Robert Leibensperger, Treasurer/Secretary Debbie DelFranco, Bill McMullen. Jeaninne Motroni, Absent.

Chairman Shawn Gilbert called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Police Report – A Motion was made by Chairman Gilbert to approve the police report for the month of June 2019. Vice Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.

Minutes of Previous Meeting - A motion was made by Chairman Gilbert to approve the previous meeting minutes of May 20, 2019. Vice Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – A motion was made by Chairman Gilbert to approve the treasurer's report as of May 2019. Vice Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.

Approval of current township and sewer bills thru June 19, 2019- A motion was made by Chairman Gilbert to approve the current township and sewer bills thru June 19, 2019. Vice Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.

Approval of municipal reports (sewer, road, Arro, Prodesign) – A motion was made by Chairman Gilbert to approve the municipal reports for May 2019. Vice Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.

Attorney's Business –

Old Business – None -

NEW BUSINESS –

At 6:45 p.m. a special meeting was held with regards to the SALDO and Zoning Ordinances. Bill McMullen ran meeting. Pledge of Alliance.

He stated that there was a previous meeting with other township with regards to the SALDO and Zoning Ordinances on 4/29/2019. The notices were posted in several locations. There was No Public Participation. Ordinances were adopted at the June 20, 2019 meeting at 7:00 pm.

1. Motion to approve the purchase of 15 grinder pumps for Lake Hautor at \$27,083.85. Vice-Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.
2. Motion to re-appoint Cathy Riotto to the Planning Commission. Vice-Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.
3. Motion to re-appoint Thomas Klein, Jr. to the Zoning Commission. Vice-Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.
4. Motion to change the additional penalty of \$20.00 a month, to 1.5% monthly for Hometown Sewer, Lake Hauto Sewer and Garbage. Vice-Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.
5. Motion to approve the sale of 0 Maple Avenue in the amount of \$1,329.00. Vice-Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.
6. Motion to adopt Fair Housing Resolution 201-14. Vice-Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.
7. Motion to adopt Ordinance #202, prohibiting the accumulation of junk, either exposed or covered, and to prohibit parking of motor vehicles without license plates or valid inspections. Vice-Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.
8. Motion to conditionally approve the Fox Steward Subdivision Plan for Turkey Hill located on Claremont Avenue. Conditions of approval are addressing the comments contained in the ARRO review correspondence dated June 5, 2019. Vice-Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.
9. Motion to approve a waiver of Section 405.A and 406.A of the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance requiring Preliminary Plan submission for the Turkey Hill Land Development Plan. Vice-Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.
10. Motion to conditionally approve the Turkey Hill Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan. Conditions of approval are addressing the comments contained in the ARRO review correspondence dated June 5, 2019. Vice-Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.
11. Motion to adopt the Eastern Schuylkill Regional Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance #203. Vice-Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of motion, motion carried

12. Motion to adopt the Easter Schuylkill Regional Planning Zoning Ordinance #204. Vice-Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members votes in favor of the motion, motion carried.

13. Motion to approve purchase of a Street Sweeper at \$180,000.00. Vice-Chairman Leibensperger approved; Chairman Gilbert seconded. Debbie DelFranco polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT –

1. Mr. Boyer asked about cutting the branches in the alley. Will get to it when the rain stops and it is nice outside. He also asked if the street sweeper was just a broom, he was told that it was a complete truck with a broom, washer, and leaf sucker.

2. Mr. Bobal addressed the “moat” on Miller avenue. The accumulation of water at the playground, that it is near his backyard. He was informed that was doe by Franzosa when they repaired the road and we are having that filled in and that Northeast Hydro-Seeding will be bringing a large amount of dirt and filling it in. It should be by the end of the summer.

3. Gary S from Quakake asked if the speed limit could be lower because of kids being around the area and that there have been many accidents. He was informed that the road he was referring about is actually a state road and that he would need to contact the state to get that approval. Chairman Gilbert asked Bill McMullen to do up a letter asking the state to lower the speed limit on behalf of Rush Township.

Supervisors Comment – Administrative Office will be closed on Friday, July 5, 2019 to observe 4th of July. Monday, July 1st garbage will be regular pick up, but Friday garbage will be picked up on Saturday, July 6th.

Chairman Gilbert adjourned meeting at 7:30 PM

Attested/Transcribed by: Deborah DelFranco