

**SPRINGETTSBURY TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING**

**APRIL 11, 2024
APPROVED**

The Springettsbury Township Board of Supervisors held a Regular Meeting on Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Complex, 1501 Mt. Zion Road, York PA in person and by Zoom.

MEMBERS IN

ATTENDANCE: Mark Swomley, Chairman
George Dvoryak, Vice Chairman
Charles Wurster, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer
Don Bishop (via Zoom)
Bob Cox

ALSO IN

ATTENDANCE: Mark Hodgkinson, Township Manager
James Sanders, Solicitor
John Luciani, First Capital Engineering
Diana Young, Environmental Engineer
Dori Bowders, Director of Administrative Operations
Randall Heilman, Director of Community Development
Nitza Sanchez-Bowser, Human Resources Director
Todd King, Chief of Police
Daniel Hoff, Chief of YAUFRR
Angel Diaz, HR Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Opening Ceremony

SWOMLEY Chairman Swomley called the Regular Meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

SWOMLEY Chairman Swomley announced there were no Executive Sessions since the last meeting.

3. COMMUNICATION FROM CITIZENS

Gloria Padustovich, 705 Sundale Drive

Ms. Padustovich asked about the Mt. Zion Commons Project noting she was aware there would be 170 apartments and was inquiring as to what type of apartments would be built.

She was informed the developer has indicated they are market rate apartments.

Brenda Enders – 720 Sundale Drive

She asked about Yorkshire Elementary School near her home which will be building an addition. She stated her concern about springs in the area around her property. She was concerned about the school addition if there would be an issue with collapse. She also noted the traffic is an issue and was aware an additional road was to be developed at the school.

Mr. Luciani stated there is a substantial pipe which passes through the west side of the parcel and discussions were held about the pipe and its ability to collect water. He noted they are aware of the ground water and runoff from upstream due to the topography in that area. He noted the school will conduct a geotechnical evaluation to determine the depth of the water. Mr. Luciani indicated a road is proposed for a bus route.

4. ENGINEERING REPORTS

A. Environmental Engineer – Buchart Horn, Inc.

YOUNG Ms. Young stated she had no updates to her report. She offered to answer any questions.

B. Civil Engineer – First Capital Engineering, Inc.

LUCIANI Mr. Luciani stated last week they met with Mr. Crabil, Mr. Heilman and the police department to talk about the traffic concerns at the school location. He noted the consultant from TRG wrote a letter telling them which intersections need to be evaluated and a substantial number of streets were included. Currently the plan is to close Indian Rock Dam school with those students bused to the Yorkshire Elementary School. Mr. Luciani concurred this will result in traffic impact at the school with the number of buses. He indicated they have requested a study of turning movements for the buses to get in to the site. They will also look at changing the school speed zone and evaluate the roadway to determine the parking situation along the street as part of the development process.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Board of Supervisors/Planning Commission Joint Work Session Minutes - March 4, 2024

B. Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting Minutes - March 27, 2024

C. Regular Payables as Detailed in Payables Listing of April 11, 2024

MR. DVORYAK MOVED TO APPROVE ITEMS A, B AND C ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. MR. WURSTER WAS SECOND. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

6. BIDS, PROPOSALS, CONTRACTS, AND AGREEMENTS

- A. Authorization to Execute Traffic Signal Easement Agreement with AAA Southern PA - Eastern Boulevard/Northern Way Intersection

MR. WURSTER MOVED TO AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL EASEMENT AGREEMENT WITH AAA SOUTHERN PA - EASTERN BOULEVARD/NORTHERN WAY INTERSECTION. MR. COX WAS SECOND. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

- B. Authorization to Purchase Traffic Signal Equipment from Armour & Sons Electric, Inc. for the Eastern Boulevard/Kingston Road Intersection in an amount not to exceed \$104,453 (COSTARS Contract #016-018)

MR. WURSTER MOVED FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE TRAFFIC SIGNAL EQUIPMENT FROM ARMOUR & SONS ELECTRIC, INC. FOR THE EASTERN BOULEVARD/KINGSTON ROAD INTERSECTION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$104,453 (COSTARS CONTRACT #016-018). MR. COX WAS SECOND. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

- C. Authorization to Purchase Traffic Signal Equipment from Armour & Sons Electric, Inc. for the Eastern Boulevard/Northern Way Intersection in an amount not to exceed \$107,212 (COSTARS Contract #016-018)

MR. WURSTER MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE TRAFFIC SIGNAL EQUIPMENT FROM ARMOUR & SONS ELECTRIC, INC. FOR THE EASTERN BOULEVARD/NORTHERN WAY INTERSECTION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$107,212 (COSTARS CONTRACT #016-018). MR. COX WAS SECOND. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

- D. Authorization to Award Multi-Municipal 2024-2025 Traffic Line Painting and Pavement Marking Contract to Alpha Space Control, LLC in the Grand Total Amount of \$232,945.50 (Springettsbury Portion \$20,073.50)

MR. DVORYAK MOVED TO AUTHORIZE AWARDED THE MULTI-MUNICIPAL 2024-2025 TRAFFIC LINE PAINTING AND PAVEMENT MARKING CONTRACT TO ALPHA SPACE CONTROL, LLC IN THE GRAND TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$232,945.50 (SPRINGETTSBURY PORTION \$20,073.50). MR. BISHOP WAS SECOND. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

7. SUBDIVISIONS AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

There were none.

8. COMMUNICATION FROM SUPERVISORS

WURSTER Mr. Wurster provided the resolutions that will be presented at the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors annual conference in the coming week. He noted the resolutions have been before the Resolutions Committee and will go to the floor. He indicated if anyone wants to express any opinion or perspective, they should let him know and he will provide those during the conference. He also noted he will present the Township flag during the Parade of Flags.

DVORYAK Mr. Dvoryak thanked Mr. Wurster for undertaking this role for the Township. He referred to Resolution 24-02 noting his concern in terms of extending Workers Compensation coverage to volunteers for fund raisers.

SWOMLEY Chairman Swomley also indicated his concern.

DVORYAK Mr. Dvoryak referenced Resolution 24-15 regarding the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Law which he believed will unnecessarily drive-up costs for projects.

SWOMLEY Chairman Swomley indicated he is questioning does increasing that amount mean prevailing wage is not paid underneath a certain limit. Currently the limit is \$100,000 and over that prevailing wage must be paid.

WURSTER Mr. Wurster stated they wanted to index it, so it rises with inflation.

DVORYAK Mr. Dvoryak referenced Resolution 24-17 create an exemption for municipal drivers.

WURSTER Mr. Wurster stated why this has come up and has support is due to many rural townships who cannot find qualified drivers to do the minimal work.

SWOMLEY Chairman Swomley referenced Resolution 24-04 Fire Hydrants and Water Supplies, which is seeking legislation to allow townships to install and maintain water supplies.

WURSTER Mr. Wurster stated the purpose was to amend the second-class township code to define the rural water supplies as a revenue source, so that it could be taxed.

SWOMLEY Chairman Swomley referenced Resolution 24-01 Maintain and Repair Memorials for First Responders, questioning the duty of the Township.

WURSTER Mr. Wurster indicated his understanding was they are not allowed to do this currently, via the second-class township code. It would authorize the township to maintain and repair but not require it.

SWOMLEY Chairman Swomley referred to Resolution 24-29 Landslide Sinkhole Insurance which stated to allow the government to provide an efficient state-administered insurance program.

WURSTER Mr. Wurster stated they understand there are some cases of potential sinkhole situations developing in Allegheny County. They are looking at state-wide administered insurance program to reduce property loss associated with landslides that would exceed home owner's insurance.

BISHOP Mr. Bishop indicated he agreed with the message from Mr. Hodgkinson that Resolution 24-07 is troublesome to the Township in respect to the language about preventing our facilities from having malodorous leaving the perimeter.

WURSTER Mr. Wurster indicated based on objections and comments from the Board this will alter his perspective and vote during the conference.

COX Mr. Cox indicated in the Springettsbury Township Volunteer Fire and Rescue meeting on April 1, 2024 it was announced that Spring Garden Township has been successful in obtaining two grants – one from T-Mobile for \$120,000 to repair the parking lot at the Victory Fire Hall and a second one from the Pennsylvania Gaming Fund for \$163,000 to replace three vehicles with hybrid vehicles.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were none.

10. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

SANDERS Solicitor Sanders stated he had nothing to report.

11. MANAGER'S REPORT

HODGKINSON Mr. Hodgkinson indicated they received four RFPs for the Camp Security master plan. They will be evaluated and presented to the Parks & Recreation Board for their review and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.

BISHOP Mr. Bishop asked about the request to Spring Garden Township to meet regarding obtaining a bicycle path.

HODGKINSON Mr. Hodgkinson stated since Spring Garden has not responded to the request, he contacted PennDOT's consultant on the overall project to determine what the Township could do.

12. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

There were none.

13. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Springettsbury Township Volunteer Fire Company – Bylaws Regarding Audit
- B. Traffic Calming - Tenth Avenue, Eleventh Avenue and Whiteford Road
- C. Sidewalks - Eleventh Avenue and Whiteford Road
- D. York Area United Fire and Rescue Governance
- E. Springettsbury Township 2022-2026 Strategic Plan – a work session will be scheduled later in June.
- F. Volunteer Recognition

BISHOP Mr. Bishop stated he believed volunteer recognition should be addressed by the Board to determine what could be developed for Township volunteers.

Discussion was held and it was decided to hold a work session at the April 25, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

13. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion - Draft Resolutions for York Area United Fire and Rescue to Purchase Apparatus in the amount of \$5,655,590.52

SWOMLEY Chairman Swomley stated YAUFRR had determined they needed to purchase several pieces of equipment consisting of two Pierce Enforcer custom pumpers and a Pierce Enforcer walk-in heavy-duty rescue also a Sutphen platform. He noted the three municipalities will need to pass a resolution supporting this purchase which is divided according to the appropriate formula between the three townships.

HODGKINSON Mr. Hodgkinson indicated there are two options for payment – his preferred option is to pay Springettsbury Township’s portion lump sum to avoid a borrowing situation. The other option would be to borrow the funds for the Township’s share.

DVORYAK Mr. Dvoryak noted the equipment is being ordered now but it will be arriving in 2027.

HOFF Chief Hoff stated when they prepared the YAUFRR budget last year they did not have the final figures but did estimate costs to show a projection which was based on a six-year finance plan.

HODGKINSON Mr. Hodgkinson stated the first resolution would be to approve the purchase of the equipment and then committing to a finance plan would be separate later.

MR. BISHOP MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2024-34 FOR YORK AREA UNITED FIRE AND RESCUE TO PURCHASE APPARATUS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,655,590.52. MR. COX WAS SECOND. MOTION CARRIED (1 Nay – Mr. Wurster).

14. ADJOURNMENT

SWOMLEY Chairman Swomley adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Doreen K. Bowders
Secretary
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