

# Paupack Township Board of Supervisors

October 12, 2017

The Paupack Township Board of Supervisors conducted their monthly meeting on Thursday October 12, 2017 at the Township Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Chairman Bruce Chandler.

## The following Township Officials were present at the meeting

Bruce Chandler, Chairman      Leigh Gilbert, Supervisor      Jim Martin, Supervisor      Ronald Bugaj, Solicitor

## The following members of the public were present at the meeting

Dennis Stinson, P.L.S.      Frank Williams,      Frank Porcoro      Katie Collins      David Miller

Chairman Bruce Chandler opened the meeting by asking all present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting minutes for the September 14, 2017 Board of Supervisors were presented. A motion was made by Leigh Gilbert to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Jim Martin. The motion carried 3 - 0.

The Treasurers Report was presented; Jim Martin made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented, seconded by Leigh Gilbert. The motion carried 3-0.

The bills totaling \$161,127.58 from September 15, 2017 to October 12, 2017 were presented. Following a review, and a question about the extreme amount, it was explained that the bills for this period included paving costs for the Daniels Road project, in part. A motion was made by Leigh Gilbert to accept the bills as presented, and pay same, seconded by Jim Martin. The motion carried 3 - 0.

## Subdivisions

**Orcinoli 2017-15:** Bruce Chandler explained today's hearing that took place prior to the regular monthly meeting of the Supervisors. The explanation, stating that this is a pretty straight forward expansion of a conditional use. There were no conditions attached to this conditional use. There were several suggestions offered regarding lighting, electrical, and parking. A motion was made by Bruce Chandler to approve this expansion of a conditional use, seconded by Leigh Gilbert. The motion carried 3 - 0.

**Smith 2017-14:** This is a lot consolidation. Ron Bugaj stated that there were no detrimental comments from Wayne County Planning Commission. Ron also stated that the deed is good. The final lot will be .74 acres. Jim Martin made a motion to approve this lot combination, seconded by Leigh Gilbert. The motion carried 3 - 0.

**Mudalel 2017-13:** Ron Bugaj stated that the deed is good, and that the Planning Commission recommends approval. Bruce Chandler made a motion to approve this lot consolidation, seconded by Leigh Gilbert. The motion carried 3 - 0. The final lot designation will be 20R.

**Budget Workshop:** Leigh Gilbert made a motion to advertise a budget workshop for October 16, 2017 at 3:00 PM.

**Old Business:** Bruce Chandler stated that the request from Dollar General for a security reduction has been taken care of by the bank, leaving \$20,000.00 to cover costs that maybe incurred by the Township.

Bruce Chandler announced that the Hearing for Mr. Fauk has been scheduled for November 21, 2017 at 1:00 PM. All are welcome to attend.

Leigh explained that he made an inspection of the property recently, and found that nothing additional has been done. A month ago some of the grass had been mowed, and the garage door was now shut.

**Building & Zoning:** There were 12 permits issued for September 2017, three of which were houses.

**Fire Log:** There were 9 calls for the month.

**Ambulance Log:** A report was not received for September.

**Correspondence:** The only correspondence was from the subdivisions above.

**Additional Updates:** Bruce Chandler informed all that the salt sheds are full and ready for the upcoming winter. New tires have been installed on all trucks. From Bruce, "all the equipment is in top shape". "Plows are ready to go. We have a new loader with the designation 21 (equipment number).

**New Business:** Jim updated all on the Fire Commissioner Grant which will be used as a debt reduction tool. The amount should be around \$12,000.00.

Bruce announced that he would be attending a dirt and gravel course in the near future. Bruce also shared the unfortunate issue of residents didn't want to share income issues. These issues are necessary for any assistance we may be able to get from the state for paving projects. So, at this time the Eisenhower Road paving project will not move forward. Leigh Gilbert updated all on the firewood issue that has started up on Purdytown Turnpike. The Zoning Officer has sent the property owner a violation letter. The property owner has responded to that letter in person. Since that time they have stopped the firewood business. The property owner has gone ahead and put in an additional driveway, he now has 3 driveways, 1 on Purdytown Turnpike, and 2 on a private lane.

**Public Comment:** Questions about a Planning Commission Member. Mr. David Cottel will not be able to fill the position; therefore we are still short one member. A possible candidate was mentioned. Mr. David Boogertman. The Township will reach out to Mr. Boogertman regarding the position. Mr. Frank Williams gave an update on the Zoning Ordinance make over. Mr. Rolin Edwards, Zoning Officer has expressed an interest in attending meetings, and workshops with the Planning Commission. It was mentioned that Finn Swamp Road in the vicinity of some crossover culvert pipes is caving in. It was recommended that this complaint be directed to Penn Dot. The Board was asked what is going to happen to the property on Lakeshore Driver where the owner has walked away. Action has been taken. We now have a new court date, which is November 21, 2017. Once again Solicitor Bugaj recommends that, the more residents that can attend the hearing, the better. We as residents are very concerned about this issue. Ron further states that the structure will have to be brought up to current standards of the Uniform Construction Code.

**Supervisors Comments:** Bruce Chandler thanked his fellow Supervisors for their cooperation with all matters within the Township.

Leigh Gilbert offered some insight as to an issue with deeds, and maps. In part The Township is not receiving new deeds in a timely fashion. The Township is receiving recorded maps, but not the deeds for those maps. The Township will be looking for a means to receiving those deeds in a timely fashion. Solicitor Bugaj explained in greater detail.

Chairman Chandler asked if there was anything else to come before the board, hearing none the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Leigh Gilbert, Supervisor