

**CHARTIERS TOWNSHIP
BOARD` OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
September 24, 2024
5:00p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

Please be advised the Board met in Executive Session immediately prior to this meeting from 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm to discuss personnel, contract negotiations and litigation matters.

Attending this meeting were Supervisors Bronwyn Kolovich, Harlan Shober and Frank Wise. Also present were Jodi L. Noble-Township Manager; James Liekar-Solicitor; Ed Jeffries, Public Works Director; Jennifer Slagle-Director of Engineering and Planning; Parks and Recreation Director, Angela O'Conner; Ashley Neptune-Township Engineer Jamie Rozzo, Recording Secretary; ABSENT: Steven Horvath, Chief of Police

VISITORS TIME

DEVELOPERS TIME

1. A motion was made by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mr. Shober to approve the financial security reduction request from Legacy Baptist Church in the amount of \$290,605.67 for completed improvements, retaining financial security in the amount of \$33,482.90 for outstanding required improvement as recommended by the Township Engineer in his letter dated September 20, 2024. All Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.
2. A motion was made by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mr. Shober deny the Kirby Minor Subdivision Plan due to failure to comply with the outstanding items in the Township Engineer's letters dated May 14, 2024 and July 18, 2024, including the absence of sewage facility planning in accordance with §305-8 A of the Chartiers Township Code of Ordinances, Subdivision and Land Development and PA Act 35 P.S. Sec 750.7 and Title 25, Chapters 71, 72 and 73 regarding Environmental Protection and Sewage Planning. All Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mr. Shober to approve the minutes for the Regular meetings of August 13, 2024, and August 27, 2024, as presented. All Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.

STAFF REPORTS: No Reports

SUPERVISOR REPORTS: No Reports

OLD BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mr. Shober to award the 2024 CCTV Inspection Contract to Edge A.I. Solutions of Pittsburgh, PA in the amount of \$46,600.00 in accordance with the public bid opening of September 17, 2024, and as recommended by the Township Engineer in his letter dated September 24, 2024. All Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.

The Regular Board of Supervisors Meeting was adjourned at 5:07 pm into the Public Hearing for Belmont Rezoning.

2. Public Hearing: Belmont Rezoning

Ms. Slagle entered the following into the record:

Parcel 170-017-05-02-0001-01 Rezoning I-1 to R-2
207 Belmont Avenue

Please note that the Township enters the following items into the record:

- Chapter 350 of the Chartiers Township Code of Ordinances, "Zoning"
- Chartiers Township Comprehensive Plan adopted January 25, 2022
- Public Notices for this hearing as printed in the Observer Reporter on September 9, 2024, and September 16, 2024
- Transmittals of the draft ordinance to the Observer Reporter and Washington County Law Library dated September 6, 2024
- Property posting pictures dated September 16, 2024
- The neighboring property owner public notice letter, map and mailing list dated September 16, 2024
- Washington County Planning Commission Letter dated August 22, 2024
- Planning Commission Minutes of August 20, 2024, recommending the draft ordinance

- Map of area to be rezoned

Zachary Piesciuk owner at 207 Belmont Ave testified that his property is zoned partially Industrial and partially Residential. He doesn't plan on using this property as Industrial and would like to rezone the Industrial portion to Residential making both parcels conform. He will be consolidating both parcels into one parcel after the rezoning.

The board had a brief discussion on the future use and consolidation of the property.

There was no Public Comment.

The Public Hearing was adjourned into the Regular Board of Supervisors Meeting at 5:12 pm.

3. A motion was made by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mr. Shober to table rezoning of a portion of 207 Belmont Avenue, also known as Washington County Parcel ID, 170-017-05-02-0001-01 from I-1 to R-2 as recommended by the Chartiers Township Planning Commission at their meeting of August 20, 2024, and adopt Ordinance No. 412, accordingly. All Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mr. Shober to approve the Chartiers Township 2025 Minimum Municipal Obligation of \$515,045 for the Uniformed Pension Plan, the Chartiers Township Police Pension Fund, pursuant to requirements of the Pennsylvania Act 205 of 1984 as recommended by the Chief Administrative Officer/Township Manager. All Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.
2. A motion was made by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mr. Shober to approve the Chartiers Township 2025 Minimum Municipal Obligation of \$83,909 for the Non-Uniformed Pension Plan, the Chartiers Township Service Employees Pension Fund, pursuant to requirements of the Pennsylvania Act 205 of 1984 as recommended by the Chief Administrative Officer and the Township Manager. All Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.
3. A motion was made by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mr. Shober to acknowledge receipt of and authorize the allocation of the 2024 Volunteer Fire Relief Association allocation in the amount of \$61,620.63 in accordance with Act 205 of 1984. All Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.
4. A motion was made by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mr. Shober to authorize payment of invoices indicated on the attached listing. Invoices to be paid are posted on the bulletin board for review.

General Fund Checking: \$108,953.69; Fire Tax Fund: \$101.29; Act 13: \$10,929.36; Rev. Gaming Fund: \$3,374.97; Eng. Rev. Escrow Acct.: \$8,778.00; Sewer Fund: \$154,566.54; Local Services Tax Fund: \$8,995.58; Capital Reserve Fund: \$2,262.00; Liquid fuels Fund: \$495.00; Payroll Fund: \$3,671.73

All Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. 2024 Sewer Rehab -This contract has been approved. The next step is to execute the contract and schedule the contractor.
2. 2024 Road Program- There a minor punch list items to be completed on the 2024 Road Program. The Township is looking at the 2025 Road Program.
3. Barnickel and Country Club- Mrs. Noble gave the board several samples of design modules for them to look at and determine which module they prefer. Ms. Slagle went over these options with the board and gave an opinion on which module she feels will be best.
4. WEWJA Items-No Updates.
 - a. Arden Pump Station
 - b. Arden Mines Sewage Project
 - c. WEWJA Area 537 Presentation of Draft
5. Piatt Estates - Punch List Status-The Township met with the Conservation District and DEP on site. There are minor corrections that need to be made to the ponds. The Conservation District and the DEP will issue a punch list to the Developer for completion.
6. Summerfield Woods Punch List Status-No Update.
7. Western Avenue Sewer Project-The Township will schedule a meeting with additional property owners in this area.
8. Parks and Recreation Opportunities
 - a. Pickleball Courts-The core borings determined the courts will need to be moved to a different location.
 - b. Pumpkin Smash-The board will discuss this event and make decisions at their next board of supervisors meeting.
 - c. Allison Park Grand-Reopening -The grand reopening went great. There were many residents in attendance for this event.
 - d. Bingo-The first bingo was a success. There is one bingo scheduled for every month for the remainder of the year.
9. Potential 2024 Bond/capital projects-After discussion with the board, Mrs. Noble will advise bond counsel to proceed with a bond to not exceed 3 million

dollars. The projects that will be completed with this money will be anticipated to last the duration of the loan, approx. 20 years.

A motion was made by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mr. Shober to authorize advertising of the 2024 Debt Ordinance for the Board of Supervisors meeting of October 8, 2024. All Supervisor's voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.

10. 2025 LSA Grant-Jodi has the quotes for the cameras and will start putting the grant application together.
11. 2025 CDBG Grant-Mrs. Noble went over options with the board.
12. Worker's Compensation Insurance Renewal-The cost went down from last year. Our renewal is October 1, 2024.
13. PA Burning Ordinance Recommendation -The SW Regional DEP Office has received complaints on burning. They have asked Townships to look at their Ordinance and consider changes being made.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Fred Simpson, Chartiers Volunteer Fire Chief reviewed the fire depts calls year to date. They are continuing to have a great success rate with new volunteers and Jr. fire fighters. He discussed budget items with the board that he feels could benefit the fire department.

John Casey 458 Spruce Lane asked about any updates for Summerfield Woods. He also asked if they could make provisions to the burning ordinance. There are several residents in his community that have breathing issues.

The township solicitor will have an update for our next board meeting on October 8, 2024. He will also look to see if provisions are permitted to be made to the burning Ordinance.

Pastor Michael Clark wanted to extend his thanks publicly to the Township for their help in facilitating the building of Legacy Baptist Church on Pike Street. They have been very helpful with their guidance in this building process. He has welcomed everyone to stop by and see the new building. Legacy Baptist Church will be a huge part of the Community in many ways for years to come.

Robert Scott Manager of Ambulance and Chair gave an update to the board. They have recently taken over the Waynesburg area, added three additional ambulances to their fleet, hired additional EMTs to their staff, along with purchasing and launching their own computer dispatch system for their ambulances. This service allows them to call for the closest ambulance to be dispatched to the party in need. Their subscriptions will be going out to residents soon.

AJDOURN:

Time: 6:30 pm

Jamie Rozzo – Recording Secretary

Secretary, Frank Wise Jr