

**LOWER PAXTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Minutes of Board Meeting held January 14, 2020

A meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Lower Paxton Township was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Lowman S. Henry, on the above date in the Lower Paxton Township, Municipal Center, 425 Prince Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Supervisors present in addition to Mr. Henry were Gary A. Crissman, Robin Lindsey Chris Judd, and Norman Zoumas. Also, in attendance was Bradley Gotshall, Township Manager, and Steve Stine, Township Solicitor.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Crissman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcement

Mr. Henry announced that the Board met in executive session before the meeting, and they'll meet afterward to receive information from the Township Manager and Solicitor.

Public Comment

Jack Dougherty, 2407 Abbey Lane, announced that the Friendship Center is hosting an Anniversary Celebration on January 24, 2020, and this event is free to the public. Members of the Lower Paxton Township Police Department will be there to assist with the Climbing Wall, "Climb with a Cop." The celebration will include a ceremony to honor all charter members who have been with the center since it opened. The classes have started, and Summer Day Camp registration begins on March 17, 2020. The Medicare Advantage Plan offers membership at the Friendship Center for free. The FCOB recently voted to award over 5,000 dollars to its Financial Assistance program.

**Presentation on the Joint Pollutant Reduction Plan
with CRW and Susquehanna Township**

George Wolfe and Erin Letavic, HRG, were present to answer questions about the Joint Pollutant Reduction Plan with CRW and Susquehanna Township.

Mr. Wolfe presented the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement, an effort that began over five years ago between the Township, CRW, and Susquehanna Township. The Intermunicipal Pollutant Reduction Plan was prepared by HRG and submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) in September 2017. The review of this plan is ongoing because it affects a stream with at Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL). DEP has just reviewed the initial plan, and the second submission was made at the end of the year and is now being reviewed by DEP in its final form. The Township held a public meeting in November 2019.

The Township is required to have a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit. Previously, the Township held a General Permit, which has expired. The Township is now required to have an individual NPDES permit because of its waterways in Paxton Creek are polluted and under a TMDL for sediment reduction.

The Township and Susquehanna Township have the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System permit (MS4). Capital Region Water has the MS4 permit as well as a combined system for remediation purposes. This combined system is not part of the Intermunicipal PRP. The Pollutant Reduction Plan describes how the Township will remove sediment from Paxton Creek and in streams Township wide.

Tonight, the Board of Supervisors will act on the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement (ICA) by resolution.

The ICA agreement is the second agreement the Board will act upon with Susquehanna Township and Capital Region Water. The first ICA submitted to DEP as part of the original submission of the Township's PRP, and it provided for the preparation of the plan, and all three municipalities shared the cost. HRG prepared and submitted the plan on the Township's behalf. The new ICA will provide for the implementation of the PRP. The PRP is for the Chesapeake Bay requirements, and it will cover Paxton Creek, Beaver Creek, and Spring Creek. The NPDES Permit is valid for five years. Recent state legislation allows the Board to adopt the ICA by resolution, effective January 7, 2020. Capital Region Water has already adopted the plan by resolution, and Susquehanna Township is expected to adopt the plan in mid-January 2020, at their next meeting. The Stonebridge Stream Restoration project is part of the Township's PRP. The PRP also covers the Paxton Creek TMDL, Wildwood Lake, and an unnamed tributary to Spring Creek. The Township has transferred the Stormwater Services and Facilities to the Authority, and it has established a Stormwater Fund to fund improvements that are funded by a Stormwater Management Fee and a recent General Obligation Bond Issuance that the Board has undertaken. The proposed ICA includes an implementation schedule, cost allocation of each BMP by Task Order, disposition of payments, establishment of a construction fund, change orders, and a final completion certificate with reconciled final project costs. The estimated costs of the Joint Pollution Reduction Plan are \$12,795,000.

There were a brief discussion and question and answer session.

Action on Resolution 20-02 authorizing an intergovernmental cooperation agreement with Susquehanna Township and CRW for the preparation and implementation of a Joint PRP

Mr. Crissman made a motion to approve Resolution 20-20, which allows an intergovernmental cooperation agreement with Susquehanna Township and Capital Region Water for the preparation and implementation of a Joint Pollutant Reduction Plan, contingent upon the approval by Susquehanna Township. Mr. Judd seconded the motion. Mr. Henry called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote followed.

Mr. Henry thanked Mr. Wolfe.

Subdivision and Land Development

Improvement Guarantees

Mr. Crissman made a motion to approve the Improvement Guarantee for Hawthorne Suites. Mr. Zoumas seconded the motion. Mr. Henry called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote followed.

Announcements

Mr. Henry announced that the Board of Supervisors would meet on January 21, 2020, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Center in room 171.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Ms. Lindsey motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Zoumas seconded the motion. Mr. Henry adjourned the meeting for the Lower Paxton Township at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Shellie R. Smith
Recording Secretary

Approved by,


Chris Judd,
Secretary