

**SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
WORK SESSION – MARCH 11, 2020 – 4:00 P.M.  
MINUTES**

**Mr. Barrett called the meeting to order at 4:04 P.M.**

**PRESENT: Brian E. Barrett (Chairman); Robert Lovenheim (Vice Chairman); Jacob A. Pride (Assistant Secretary); Ken Wolfe (Zoning Officer); Jon Tresslar (Township Engineer); Ron Karasek (Township Solicitor).**

**Also present were Nat Oiler; Tom McKeown; Jeffrey Durney; Vincent and Mrs. Trapasso; Mary Ellen Higgins; Louise Troutman; Corissa Gehring; Brian winot; Charles Trapasso; Donna Kenderdine (Court Stenographer).**

**MINUTES: March 4, 2020 – Work Session: A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Mr. Barrett; second by Mr. Pride; motion carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE AGENDA: None**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**Take official action on a proposal by Vincent & Charlie Lynn Trapasso for construction of Self-Storage units on two adjoining properties located in Smithfield Township and Stroud Township.**

**A transcript was taken, all testimony was taken, and the hearing closed.**

**A motion was made by Mr. Lovenheim to approve a hearing for a conditional use in R-2 zone because it is determined it is not currently defined as an approved use in any existing zone, furthermore, the approval should be subject to a set of conditions to be presented at the proposed conditional use hearing; second by Mr. Pride; motion carried.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the 2020 Pension Contribution Letter and to approve payment in the amount of \$27,025.95 to the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Lovenheim; second by Mr. Barrett; motion carried.**

**Motion to approve the costs for the 2020 Smithfield Apiary. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Pride; second by Mr. Lovenheim; motion carried.**

**Motion to approve the proposal received from Strauser Nature's Helpers in the amount of \$3,793.00 for repairs & restoration of the Minisink Park Soccer Field. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Pride; second by Mr. Lovenheim; (Mr. Barrett recused himself); motion carried.**

**Renewal of the Ground Maintenance Contract of 2020 by Strauser Nature's Helpers to allow a 2% increase from last year's price; A motion to approve was made by, Mr. Lovenheim; second by Mr. Pride; motion carried. (Mr. Barrett recused himself).**

**Motion to approve contact with Creative Works for \$10,850 to redesign Township Website as per Website proposal was made by Mr. Barrett; second by Mr. Pride; motion carried.**

<b>BILLS TO BE PAID:</b>	<b>General Fund: \$41,365.80</b>
	<b>Park Fund: \$ 620.44</b>
	<b>Highway Fund: \$ <u>12,29.91</u></b>
	<b>Total: \$54,416.15</b>

**A motion to approve payment of the bills as submitted was made by Mr. Barrett; second by Mr. Pride; motion carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: None**

**A motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 P.M. was made by Mr. Barrett; second by Mr. Pride; motion carried.**

**After adjournment there was a discussion about the Open Space Initiative with Louise Troutman and Mary Ellen Higgins. Louise told us she will only be available to work on this project until the end of 2020.**

**Respectfully submitted:**

**Robert Lovenheim, Vice Chairman**