

THE SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
DECEMBER 14, 2022

A Regular Business Meeting of the Smithfield Township Board of Supervisors was held on December 14, 2022, at the Smithfield Township Municipal Center at 1155 Red Fox Rd, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301, and via Zoom.

Present are Supervisors Jacob Pride and Robert Lovenheim, Solicitor Ronold Karasek, Engineer Jon Tresslar, and Township Manager Julia Heilakka. Supervisor Brian Barrett is not present.

Also present are Martha Carbone and Vicky Ozgun.

1. Chair Jacob Pride calls the meeting to order at 6:12PM. A quorum is present.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance is recited.
3. Announcements
 - a. The Board reminds everyone that the Supervisors' meeting originally scheduled for December 28th at 6PM has moved to December 21st to accommodate the holidays.
4. Minutes
 - a. Robert Lovenheim motions to approve the minutes from the November 23, 2022 regular meeting, Jacob Pride seconds. Vote: all in favor; minutes accepted.
5. Public Hearing – Orchard BJK Co. & Scott Petition to Rezone R-1 Parcels to ED Zone.

The hearing begins at 6:15PM. [This public hearing was transcribed by Donna Kenderdine Recording, LLC.] Robert Lovenheim motions to adjourn the hearing until January 11, 2023 at 6PM. Jacob Pride seconds. No public comment. Vote: all in favor; motion carries. Martha Carbone asks if the Smithfield Township Planning Commission needs to review the request again and is answered no.

6. Reports
 - a. Solicitor's Report – none.
 - b. Engineer's Report – none.
7. New Business
 - a. Consent Agenda
 - i. Consider: Approve Board of Auditor Settlement Agreement.
 - ii. Consider: Approve Radar Sign Cellular Upgrade.

- iii. Consider: Approve Amendment to the Slater Holdings Land Development.

Robert Lovenheim motions to approve the consent agenda, Jacob Pride seconds. Ron Karasek comments that the settlement agreement has a formula instead of an amount. No public comment. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.

- b. Discuss: 1% for Nature Grant Application. The township received this grant last year to install bearproof receptacles in two parks. The Board discusses grant application prospects and decides to pursue blighted ash tree removal.

8. Board of Supervisors Report – none.

9. Bills

- a. Approve: \$156,387.70 – General Fund. This includes yearend contributions to emergency services and regular township expenses. Robert Lovenheim motions to pay the bills, Jacob Pride seconds. No public comment. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.

10. Public Comment

- a. Martha Carbone asks for clarification on items in the consent agenda. Ron Karasek states Slater Holding is splitting the project in two, so the development agreement has been altered to reflect that change. Vicki Ozgun confirms Slater Holding is also known as Vigon. Martha Carbone confirms this is not Black Buffalo.
- b. Jacob Pride states the cellular plan is for the radar sign in Shawnee.

11. Robert Lovenheim motions to adjourn, Jacob Pride seconds; meeting adjourned at 6:37PM.

Minutes recorded by Julia Heilakka

Respectfully submitted:



Julia Heilakka, Assistant Secretary