

Phil Kline, Chairperson, called the meeting of the Alsace Township Board of Supervisors to order. Present were Phil Kline, Michael Stump, Sam Mallatratt, Township Solicitor Gary Swavely, and Mary Anne Fieux. The meeting was held at the Alsace Township Municipal Building and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Phil Kline led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Phil Kline presented the Minutes from the January 20, 2016 and February 3, 2016 Supervisor's meetings. Michael Stump made a motion to approve the Minutes, Sam Mallatratt seconded the motion, and the Minutes were unanimously approved.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Chairperson Kline asked for approval of Township payment of bills. Michael Stump made a motion to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$42,083.52 from the General Fund, \$4,700.14 from the WWTP Operations and Maintenance Fund, \$694.38 from the Septic and Sewer Fund, and \$0.00 from the Liquid Fuels Fund, seconded by Sam Mallatratt, and the motion was unanimously approved. Vice-Chairperson Stump made a motion to pay taxes, payroll and interim bills, seconded by Sam Mallatratt, and the motion was unanimously approved.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: The Supervisors reviewed the Treasurer's financial reports for the month of February 2016. Vice-Chairperson Michael Stump made a motion to approve the financial reports, seconded by Sam Mallatratt, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Chairperson Kline asked the Supervisors for input regarding the frequency each type of financial report should be included on business meeting Agenda and printed for the Supervisor's meeting packets. After discussion Michael Stump made a motion for the check register and payroll taxes (FICA etc.) to be included on a monthly basis, and for the income statements and balance sheets to be included on a quarterly basis; seconded by Sam Mallatratt, and the motion was unanimously approved.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: There were no comments from the public.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Township Solicitor Gary Swavely presented Resolution 2016-3 for the purchase of the Paul E. Beck Estate located at 53 Woodside Avenue to authorize officers and agents of the Township to pursue the sale and execute documents necessary for the purchase of the Beck Estate property, per the appraisal dated January 19, 2016 of no more than \$135,000.00. Vice-Chairperson Stump made the motion to approve Resolution 2016-3, Sam Mallatratt seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

SEWER & SEPTIC REPORT: Michael Stump gave a report on the status of the Alsace Township WWTP. Mr. Stump reported the second train will need to be started when the current train reaches 90% capacity. Mike Stump reported he is working with Ebert Engineering on the train project. Maintenance is being conducted such as the washing of the soda ash tanks. Vice-Chairperson Stump said the VFD project will commence after the winter season.

Vice-Chairperson Stump reviewed and reported on the January 2016 SEO Report from LTL Consultants. Mr. Stump said there is continued action being taken on the property which disconnected the property's sewer connection without authorization. Attorney Datte is working through the court system to compel reconnection of the sewer at the property, per Michael Stump.

Michael Stump summarized the Datte report announcing there were two (2) liens filed by Mr. Datte, one (1) property paid in full, and there are three (3) properties who have payment plans. Chairperson Kline explained collections start on properties who are behind more than \$300 in their sewer payments to the Township. Michael Stump said Ruth Ann Moyer does an excellent job calling upon residents and following up so more Township residents are paying their sewer bills.

Vice-Chairperson Stump gave the report on Septic Pumping in the Township. Mike Stump stated the 14 holding tanks will require annual inspection and pumping. Michael Stump made a motion to authorize Ruth Ann Moyer to provide LTL Consultants with information regarding the 14 holding tanks in order to conduct the annual inspection of the tanks, Sam Mallatratt seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

ADMINISTRATION: Chairperson Kline explained he was working with a bank to acquire tax-free financing for the purchase of the Paul E. Beck Estate, 53 Woodside Avenue. Mr. Kline stated he would have more to report at a future meeting.

BUILDING AND ZONING REPORT: Sam Mallatratt reported on the Kraft Code Services Report for February 2016. Mr. Mallatratt stated 224 Spies Church Road was placarded as "Unsafe for Human Occupancy". Ruth Ann Moyer stated she has received numerous phone calls about work being conducted on the property without permits. Chairperson Kline said permit fees are doubled for properties which have work done without permits.

Mr. Mallatratt continued his report stating the Zoning Hearing Board hearings for the David Barth property located at 390 Antietam Road and the Robert Koller property located at 21 Schmecks Lane have been rescheduled for February 29, 2016. The Zoning Hearing Board hearing was originally scheduled for February 15, 2016 and was cancelled due to inclement weather.

Sam Mallatratt reported on construction continuing at the Reserve at Spring Pointe Phase 2. Mr. Mallatratt added the variance for accessibility has been denied by the State's Accessibility Review Board (ARB). Sam Mallatratt continued stated the Clubhouse should have a final CO should be issued shortly. Mr. Mallatratt reminded the Supervisors the CO for Building "I" will not be issued until the emergency access road has been built.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Vice-Chairperson Michael Stump reported on the last minor snow event which was handled well by the Public Works crews. Mr. Stump stated he would need to access his salt stockpile and expects he will probably need to order more salt.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: Chairperson Kline asked Ms. Fieux to report on the February 4, 2016 Planning Commission meeting. Ms. Fieux she was not present at the meeting due to a family emergency. Kim Mallatratt, Co-Chairperson of the Planning Commission took notes and recorded the meeting. From the notes and recording, Ms. Fieux reported the Planning Commission discussed the proposed Erdlitz Minor Subdivision located at the intersection of eastern side of Wanshop Road and southern side of Church Hill Road.

Township Engineer Gary Kraft was present to give his review of the subdivision to the Planning Commission.

Ms. Fieux reported the Planning Commission discussed the information provided by the Berks County Planning Commission for the Planning Commission's consideration. After discussion about electronic billboards, cell towers, solar systems, and other items, it was decided Gary Kraft, Kraft Engineering, and Joe Neidert, Kraft Code Services would compile information from the Berks County Planning Commission to be added to the Zoning Ordinance.

RECREATION BOARD REPORT: Ms. Fieux reported the Recreation Board is meeting on Sunday, February 28, at 1:00 pm at the Municipal Building.

ALSACE MANOR FIRE COMPANY REPORT: Fire Chief Wendy Becker requested Mike Stump have the plow come through the parking lot down at the end. Mr. Stump stated he would advise his men of Ms. Becker's request and there should be no further problems. Ms. Becker added there is a hoagie sale on March 12, 2016.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Darlene Bartsch reported she attended her Emergency Management meeting with Berks County.

SUPERVISORS REPORT: Chairperson Kline asked if any of the Supervisors had any additional information to report. Michael Stump and Sam Mallatratt stated they have nothing further to report. Mr. Kline brought up the Spring Cleanup and suggested a date be chosen for the event. After discussion, Phillip Kline said May 7 and 14 will be considered for the event. Ms. Fieux said she would contact the Boy Scouts and ask which date the Scouts would be available.

Chairperson Kline said the Township is continuing to coordinate with Eagle Scout Dawson Christ for the construction of the ball wall at the playground.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Chairperson Kline asked if there were any further comments from the public and there were none.

Phillip Kline asked if there was any additional business and as there was none he asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Michael Stump made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Sam Mallatratt, the motion was unanimously approved. Adjournment was at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Anne Fieux
Secretary – Treasurer