

SOLEBURY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
March 5, 2024 – 9:30 A.M.
Solebury Township Hall/Virtual - Hybrid Meeting
MEETING MINUTES

Attendance: Mark Baum Baicker, Chair, Hanna Howe, Vice-Chair, Christy Cheever, John S. Francis, Kevin Morrissey, Christopher Garges, Township Manager, Michele Blood, Assistant Township Manager, and Catherine Cataldi, Secretary. Mark L. Freed, Township Solicitor was also in attendance.

The recording device was turned on.

I. The meeting was called to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Approval of Bills Payable – February 29, 2024

Res. 2024-49 – Upon a motion by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Morrissey, the list of Bills Payable dated February 29, 2024 were unanimously approved as prepared and posted.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes – February 20, 2024

Res. 2024-50 – Upon a motion by Ms. Howe, seconded by Ms. Cheever, the Minutes of the February 20, meeting were unanimously approved as prepared and posted.

IV. Announcements / Resignations / Appointments

Executive Session

Mr. Baum Baicker announced that an Executive Session was held February 27, 2024 discussing Personnel Matters and directly prior to the March 5, 2024 Board of Supervisors meeting discussing Zoning and Legal Matters.

Appointment of Lowie Comly to the Solebury Township Farm Committee

Res. 2024-51 – Upon a motion by Ms. Howe, seconded by Mr. Morrissey, it was unanimously agreed to appoint Lowie Comly, resident, without compensation to the Solebury Township Farm Committee to fill the vacancy resulting from the resignation of Jonathan Grossman for term ending December 31, 2025.

Appointment of Josh Perlsweig to the Solebury Township Farm Committee

Res. 2024-52 – Upon a motion by Ms. Cheever, seconded by Ms. Howe, it was unanimously agreed to appoint Josh Perlsweig, resident, without compensation to the Solebury Township Farm Committee to for term ending December 31, 2026.

Appointment of Rickie Yudin to the Solebury Township Parks & Recreation Board

Res. 2024-53 – Upon a motion by Mr. Morrissey, seconded by Mr. Francis, it was unanimously agreed to appoint Rickie Yudin, resident, without compensation to the Solebury Township Parks & Recreation Board to fill the vacancy resulting from the resignation of Barbara Zietchick for term ending December 31, 2028.

Appointment of Paul Klug as Associate Member to the Solebury Township Parks & Recreation Board

Res. 2024-54 – Upon a motion by Mr. Morrissey, seconded by Ms. Howe, it was unanimously agreed to appoint Paul Klug, resident, without compensation as Associate member to the Solebury Township Parks & Recreation Board for term ending December 31, 2024.

V. Supervisor Comment

Mark Baum Baicker announced the Solebury Township Electronic Recycling Event scheduled for March 23, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. until noon at the New Hope-Solebury High School East Lot, 180 W. Bridge St. in New Hope. Pre-registration and proof of Solebury Township residence are required.

VI. New Business

Board Approval - Environmental Advisory Council - Sustainability Forum

Upon a motion by Shannon Pendleton, and seconded by Eric Allen, it was endorsed by the Environmental Advisory Council to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that the Board of Supervisors approve the holding of a Sustainability Forum on Thursday, April 4th, 2024 (6pm-8pm) at New Hope-Solebury High School.

Res. 2024-55 – Upon a motion by Ms. Cheever, seconded by Ms. Howe, it was unanimously agreed to approve the holding of a Sustainability Forum by the Environment Advisory Council on Thursday, April 4th, 2024 from 6pm-8pm at New Hope-Solebury High School.

Gasiorowski Zoning Hearing Board Application – Authorize Solicitor to Attend

A revision to the Zoning Hearing Board application was received. The applicants, Henry & Michele Gasiorowski, are requesting a special exception pursuant to Section 27-2109 C.4. or variance from that section, and variances from Sections 27-2205.1.B.(3)(c), 27-2208.3.C, D, and E, 27-2205.1.A, 27-2208.5.C.(3), 27-2206.2, Section 8-401.1.A. and C. Section 8-402.1.A and a determination under Subsections 1, 2 and 3 of Section 8-402.2.A in connection with the construction of a pool house at the property located at 2744 River Road, New Hope, Solebury Township, Bucks County, and identified as Tax Parcel No. 41-028-058.

Res. 2024-56 – Upon a motion by Mr. Baum Baicker, seconded by Mr. Francis, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Township Solicitor to attend the Zoning Hearing Board hearing to represent the interest of the Board of Supervisors in this matter.

Omega Self Storage Zoning Hearing Board Application – Authorize Solicitor to Attend

The applicant, Omega Self Storage New Hope LLC, is requesting variances from Sections 27-1704.1.B.(5), 27-1704.1.B. (6), 27-2602.1,W.(6) and Section 27-26305.10.A to permit the construction of a 3 story storage structure on the property located at 6814 Lower York Road, New Hope, Solebury Township, Bucks County and identified as Tax Parcel No. 41-028-067-001.

Res. 2024-57 – Upon a motion by Mr. Baum Baicker, seconded by Ms. Howe, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Township Solicitor to attend the Zoning Hearing Board hearing to represent the interest of the Board of Supervisors in this matter.

Redenbaugh a.k.a. Mountain House Zoning Hearing Board Application – Authorize Solicitor to Attend

The applicant, the Estate of Linda Redenbaugh, is requesting a variance from the requirements of Section 27-404.C(4)(c) to permit the use of the property for a Bed and Breakfast/Short Term Lodging Facility as to the property locate at 2331 Aquetong Road, New Hope, Solebury Township, Bucks County and identified as Tax Parcel No. 41-022-167.

Res. 2024-58 – Upon a motion by Mr. Baum Baicker, seconded by Mr. Morrissey, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Township Solicitor to attend the Zoning Hearing Board hearing to represent the interest of the Board of Supervisors in this matter.

VII. Public Comment

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Cataldi, Secretary