

SOLEBURY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
May 2, 2023 – 9:30 A.M.
Solebury Township Hall/Virtual - Hybrid Meeting
MEETING MINUTES

Attendance: Mark Baum Baicker, Chair, Hanna Howe, Vice-Chair, John S. Francis, Kevin Morrissey, Robert McEwan, 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 – April 27, 2023

Res. 2023-67 – Upon a motion by Mr. McEwan, seconded by Ms. Howe, the list of Bills Payable dated April 27, 2023 was unanimously approved as prepared and posted.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes – April 18, 2023 Meeting

Res. 2023-68 – Upon a motion by Ms. Howe, seconded by Mr. Morrissey, the Minutes of the April 18, 2023 Meeting were unanimously approved as prepared and posted.

IV. Supervisor Comment

- Mr. Baum Baicker presented a commendation award to Mr. Garges the first Solebury Township Manager known to have completed the Boston Marathon on the occasion of his eighteenth Boston Marathon.

V. New Business

Snow Plowing – Bid Award

Solebury Township received and reviewed the bids for snow plowing.

Mr. Baum Baicker commented on the increase of all bids received.

Res. 2023-69 – Upon a motion by Mr. McEwan, seconded by Ms. Howe, it was unanimously agreed to award the snow plowing bid for 2023-2026 to Professional Landscape Services and Blooming Glen Contactors, Inc., based upon their bids as submitted.

TPK1 Zoning Heard Board Application – Authorization for Solicitor to Attend

The applicant, TPK1 Partners, LLC, 6538 Lower York Road, TMP # 41-022-142 is requesting a variance from Section 27-1602 of the Zoning Ordinance to permit the use of the two existing accessory buildings as accessory dwellings.

Res. 2023-70 – Upon a motion by Mr. Baum Baicker, seconded by Mr. Morrissey, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Solicitor to attend any and all Zoning Hearing Board hearings pertaining to this matter to represent the interest of the Solebury Township Board of Supervisors.

Molgat Zoning Heard Board Application – Authorization for Solicitor to Attend

The applicant, Todd E. Molgat, 2775 River Road, TMP # 41-028-050-002 is appealing the Solebury Township Zoning Officer's Issuance of Enforcement Notice. The notice sites that the applicant is in violation of the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance for failure to obtain a conditional use permit for the property to be used as a short-term lodging facility.

Res. 2023-71 – Upon a motion by Mr. Morrissey, seconded by Mr. Baum Baicker, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Solicitor to take any and all appropriate actions to support the position of the Township Zoning Officer in this matter.

Flashing Beacons – Route 202 Announcement

The Township Administration received a response letter from Pennsylvania Department of Transportation regarding the submitted application to install intersection warning signs with flashing beacons at the Northbound and Southbound approaches to the Silver Tail Lane intersection.

Discussion ensued on the installation of a detection system, required electric service installation, generating annual electricity and maintenance costs.

Barbara Zietchick, resident, expressed safety concerns for the intersection and suggested additional warning and lighting.

Helen Lam, McMahon Associates, commented on traffic calming measures.

Res. 2023-72 – Upon a motion by Mr. Morrissey, seconded by Mr. Baum Baicker, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Township Administration to approach Fox Run Homeowners Association to discuss their view on solutions for the Rt 202/Silver Tail Lane intersection and funding applications.

Charging and Fuel Infrastructure Grant Resolution

Mr. Garges gave an overview of the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission Regional Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant application.

Discussion issued on the level of the chargers, location, application deadline and the number of chargers. The Board asked the Township Administration to inquire about the grant flexibility on installing a level 3 charger instead of a level 2 charger and location change.

Barbara Zietchick, resident, expressed traffic concerns and questioned if there was a safer alternative location for the charging stations.

Res. 2023-73 – Upon a motion by Mr. McEwan, seconded by Ms. Howe, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Township Administration to execute the notice of intent to participate in the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission Regional Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant application.

Comprehensive Plan Committee Resolution

Res. 2023-74 – Upon a motion by Ms. Howe, seconded by Mr. Francis, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Township Administration to draft a resolution to create the Comprehensive Plan Committee.

VI. Subdivision/Land Development

Unterseher Grading – E&S and SWM - Escrow Release No. 1

The Township Engineer reviewed the request for release of financial security funds and recommended the Board approve the release in the requested amount of Sixty One Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Dollars and Zero Cents (\$61,720.00).

Res. 2023-75 – Upon a motion by Mr. Morrissey, seconded by Mr. McEwan, it was unanimously agreed to approve the release of financial security in the requested amount of Sixty-One Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Dollars and Zero Cents (\$61,720.00).

VII. Public Comment – No Public Comment

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Cataldi
Secretary