

PORTAGE TOWNSHIP
4109 Portage Street, Portage, PA 15946
Regular Monthly Meeting, December 2, 2020

This meeting was held through teleconferencing because of the COVID-19 restrictions.

Chairman Elwood Selapack opened the meeting with a salute to the flag.

Roll Call: Supervisor Kostan – present; Supervisor Selapack – present; Supervisor Shaffer – present; Attorney Brett Smith – present.

Public Comment

Suzanne Kalinoski and Bonita Newfield spoke with the Board regarding maintenance on Newfield Road. A petition was received signed by the residents who live on this Road. After a lengthy discussion, Supervisor Selapack spoke to them explaining that the Township does not maintain private lanes such as Newfield Road. If it was a emergency situation under a 911 call, they could plow, but not just to maintain as a Township Road.

Bill Yetsko questioned the Board regarding the pressure testing. He expressed his frustration and is asking the Board for their support with the Sewer Authority.

Cassandra Borough representatives phoned in asking for the Supervisors to look at the new bridge and entrance that has been completed by the state up on 53 across from Kicks. The concern is the coal trucks and pulling on to 53. Supervisor Selapack will make some phone calls to see just what can be done.

Skip Schneider and Ed Cherian of CPV spoke regarding the approval of the Land Development Plan that has been presented to the Township's Planning Commission and to the Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Selapack had some questions and concerns he shared with them. Supervisor Selapack also made remarks regarding the second access road. Ed Cherian said that the second access is not going to happen along Frankstown Road. It is too steep. The Supervisors will approve the Land Development Plan tonight contingent upon providing the additional information as requested by the Portage Regional Planning Commission.

MOTION made by Supervisor Selapack, seconded by Supervisor Shaffer, to approve the proposed Land Development Plan that was presented to the Board of Supervisors, contingent upon providing the additional information as requested by the Portage Regional Planning Commission. Roll call, all in favor. MOTION passed.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

MOTION made by Supervisor Kostan, seconded by Supervisor Selapack to approve the November meeting minutes. Roll call, all in favor. MOTION passed.

Treasurer's Report

MOTION made by Supervisor Kostan, seconded by Supervisor Shaffer to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Roll call, all in favor. MOTION passed.

Road Master's Report

MOTION made by Supervisor Selapack, seconded by Supervisor Kostan to approve the Road Master's Report as presented. Roll call, all in favor. MOTION passed.

Old Business – None

New Business

a. Approval of the 2021 Budget

MOTION made by Supervisor Selapack, seconded by Supervisor Shaffer to approve the Proposed 2021 Budget as presented. Roll call, all in favor. MOTION passed.

b. Variance Request – Brian Shope

MOTION made by Supervisor Selapack, seconded by Supervisor Shaffer to approve the variance request. Roll call, all in favor. MOTION passed.

c. Stager Subdivision – Randy Stager/storage buildings

MOTION made by Supervisor Selapack, seconded by Supervisor Kostan to approve the Stager subdivision, contingent upon the permit approvals. Roll call, all in favor. MOTION passed.

Meeting adjourned 8:05 pm.