Slippery Rock Township Supervisors Minutes for: 4/24/2023

Chairman, Paul Dickey called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. In attendance were Supervisors John Hines and Terry Doerr along with Mike Hnath, solicitor, and two members of the public. Mark Lazzari, zoning officer, attended via Zoom.

Announcement

Supervisors Paul Dickey and Terry Doerr along, with Tracy Frampton, S.R. Planning Commission Chairman, Mark Lazzari, Zoning Officer, and four representatives of the SRU Foundation met on April 12, 2023 from 9:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. to discuss a proposed project on Innovation Drive.

John Hines made a motion to approve the minutes from April 10, 2023, approve and pay the bills and approve the financial report. Terry Doerr seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Open Comment(s)

Craig Caldwell, Edward Jones, reported the following, he has been investigating the PMRS pension plan and has found that the guaranteed rate of 5.25% is set annually by the PMRS advisory board. The 3.5% that each employee is required to contribute is guaranteed the rate which can change annually. It would take a 75% vote of all participants, employed and retired to move the pension plan away from PMRS to another investment firm.

Scott Albert, SRU reported the following to the board:

- 1. Union renovation has started,
- 2. Softball field renovation will begin soon,
- 3. ROTC/Police Station project will be ready to submit to the SR Planning Commission soon,
- 4. Tennis courts are going to be rehabilitated and changed to Pickle Ball courts,
- 5. Stream restoration and dam removal project has to be changed to add an additional culvert under Kiester Road, these plans are being prepared for Dave Neill, engineer's review.

Planner's Report - Mark Lazzari

Mark Lazzari reported the following to the board:

- 1. SRU Foundation proposed project, a short discussion ensued with the outcome being Mike Hnath will give guidance on the best way to handle the density for this project.
- 2. University Village has submitted an application to request an amendment to a previous existing PRD to request for additional use, a short discussion ensued. A tentative date of Monday, May 22, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. pending the resubmittal of the revised application and information needed.

Paul Dickey made a motion to hold the University Village public hearing on Monday, May 22, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. John Hines seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Engineer's Report

Karen Connell reported the following to the board:

1. Salt Shed invoice \$49,999.99 from Elemental Shelter Solutions, LLC, a short discussion ensued.

John Hines made a motion to approve the first payment for the salt shed to Element Shelter Solutions, LLC in the amount of \$49,999.99 via QuickBooks invoice. Terry Doerr seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

- 2. Grants a short discussion ensued on the following grants:
 - a. Butler County Infrastructure Bank stormwater project for Kiester Road short discussion ensued this project has to be under contract by December 31, 2023.
 - b. PennDOT Multimodal Grant, announcement should be in the next month or two. If the township doesn't receive this grant then the township will just complete, as much of the Kiester Road stormwater project as possible, with the Butler County Infrastructure grant and the township match.
 - c. CDBG funding, McCandless Road, design will begin soon.
- 3. SRU Dam Removal this was discussed under open comments.

Other Business

Resolution #23-4-1, Personnel Policy a short discussion ensued.

Paul Dickey made a motion to approve Resoltuion#23-4-1 changes to the Personnel Policy. John Hines seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

eCodes 360 for website and TWP ordinance codification, a short discussion ensued.

Flooring for the Community Room, a short discussion ensued with the office to contact contractors for a price quote.

Stoughton Road, 2023 maintenance by Allegheny Mineral, a short discussion ensued with the outcome being to tar and chip Stoughton Road near the entrance of Allegheny Mineral. Allegheny Mineral will supply the stone and the township will supply the oil.

Amendment to a previous existing PRD University Village, request for additional use, application, set public hearing date and time, a short discussion ensued. This was discussed under the Planner's Report.

Kunselman Electric, quote for removal of decorative light poles, an end cap and shade for the lights near the office door.

Paul Dickey made a motion to approve the Kunselman Electric, LLC quote in the amount of \$3,055.34 to provide and install light shade and end cap on light poles near the office entrance. Verify the decorate pole lights are disconnected and verify the wire is serviceable and provide junction boxes in place of the pole lights, provide wiring for installation of new flag pole light. John Hines seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence

Representative Bronner – breakfast for seniors May 12, 2023, anyone interested in attending contact the office for more information

First Energy – grant for charging & fueling infrastructure, this correspondence was given to Scott Albert, SRU.

DCED – grants for charging infrastructure and broadband, this correspondence was given to Scott Albert, SRU.

Paul Dickey asked if there was any additional or further business, none.

Executive Session

The board went into executive session at 4:32 p.m. and returned to the meeting at 4:55 p.m.

John Hines made a motion to hire Layne Marburger for the CDL road crew position at a rate of \$20.15 per hour with benefits, contingent on his physical, drug and alcohol testing. Terry Doerr seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

John Hines made a motion to hire Trista Dennison for the office position at a rate of \$22.00 per hour with benefits. It will be determined after training if she will be appointed to the Secretary/Treasurer or Clerk position. Terry Doerr seconded and Paul Dickey abstained from the vote. The motion carried.

John Hines made a motion to hire Christina Barkley for the office position at a rate of \$22.00 per hour with benefits. It will be determined after training if she will be appointed to the Secretary/Treasurer or Clerk position. Terry Doerr seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Terry Doerr made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:02 p.m. John Hines seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman, Paul A. Dickey

Secretary

Vice-chairman, John W. Hines

Date approved

Supervisor, Terry L. Doerr