

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING I

SWATARA TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

NOVEMBER 4, 2020

1. **Call to Order:** President Connolly called the Regular Meeting I of the Swatara Township Board of Commissioners to order at 7:04 p.m. Wednesday, November 4, 2020 at the Swatara Township Municipal Building, 599 Eisenhower Boulevard, Swatara, PA 17111.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** President Connolly led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance
3. **Moment of Silence**
4. **Roll Call:** Commissioners Zubeck, Varner, Ellis, Vice President Boudier and President Connolly were present. Also present: Township Manager Jim Fosselman, Assistant Manager Kim Kaufman, Solicitor Scott Wyland, Lt. Dennis Krahling, Highway Superintendent Todd Webb, Building and Codes Director Robert Ihlein and Assistant Secretary Karen Alleman.
5. **Announce Executive Session:** An executive session was held to discuss a real estate matter.
6. **Visitors Requests and Comments:** None at this time.
7. **Motion to Approve Agenda:** A motion was made by Vice President Boudier to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Ellis. Motion carried unanimously.
8. **Motion to Approve Consent Agenda Item:** Vice President Boudier made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda item, authorization to advertise custodian position. Motion seconded by Commissioner Ellis. Motion carried unanimously.
9. **Consideration of Minutes:**
 - A. **Budget Meeting of October 14, 2020:** Commissioner Ellis made a motion to approve the Budget Meeting minutes of October 14, 2020, with a correction to page 2, paragraph five. The word "Audit" should be "Auditor." Motion was seconded by Commissioner Zubeck. Motion carried unanimously.
 - B. **Regular Meeting II – October 14, 2020:** Commissioner Varner made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting II minutes of October 14, 2020 as presented, seconded by Commissioner Ellis. Motion carried unanimously.
10. **Consideration of Property Acquisition:** Commissioner Ellis made a motion to authorize the Township Manager to proceed with further property acquisition with the Solicitor. Motion seconded by Commissioner Boudier. Motion carried unanimously.
11. **Consideration of Resolution: Schaedler Yesco Distribution Land Development Plan:** They have submitted a preliminary/final subdivision and land development plan for a building expansion project. The original plans have been revised to reflect the comments from County Planning, the Zoning Officer, the Township Engineer, and the Township Stormwater Engineer. The applicant is requesting two waivers from the subdivision and land development ordinance and two waivers from the stormwater management ordinance. The Township Planning Commission has recommended approval of the waivers and the revised final plans.
 - A. President Connolly made a motion to approve the waiver from Section 253.11 of the township subdivision and land development ordinance (SLDO) that requires the submittal of a preliminary plat because no new streets are being proposed. Motion seconded by Commissioner Ellis. Motion carried unanimously.
 - B. Commissioner Ellis made a motion to approve the waiver from Section 253-32A of the SLDO regarding sidewalks. This waiver is a deferral of sidewalks. The township can request

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- sidewalks be constructed at any time in the future. Vice President Boudier seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- C. Commissioner Zubeck made a motion to approve the waiver from Section 247-12 of the stormwater management ordinance (SWMO) related to the concerns about supplying additional stormwater runoff into a sinkhole at the rear of the property. Commissioner Varner seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- D. Commissioner Zubeck made a motion to approve the waiver from Section 247-17.H, of the stormwater management ordinance (SWMO) related to drainage areas of tributaries to sinkholes. Commissioner Varner seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- E. Commissioner Zubeck made a motion to approve Resolution R-2020-42 for conditional approval of the preliminary/final land development plans dated March 27, 2020 last revised October 26, 2020. Commissioner Ellis seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
12. **Visitors Requests and Comments:** None at this time.
13. **Possible Stormwater Violations:** None at this time.
14. **Commissioners Requests and Comments**
- A. **Commissioner Varner:** Nothing at this time.
- B. **Commissioner Zubeck:** Thanked everyone for coming out.
- C. **Commissioner Ellis:** On October 25 she attended a meeting with Girl Scout Troop 10049 to discuss democracy and local government. On October 31 she participated in the drive-thru trick or treat event sponsored by the township. She thanked the police and fire departments for participating as well as DJ Tom Hurst. She thanked everyone for coming out this evening.
- D. **Vice President Boudier:** Thanked everyone for coming out this evening and thanked everyone who organized the trick or treat event.
- E. **President Connolly:** Reported that Steelton-Highspire School District began in-school learning on Monday. The police department welcomed the students back to school. Also noted that Officer Ben Stewart is the new School Resource Officer at Steel-High. Announced that budget meetings will be held on Monday and Tuesday of next week, November 9 and 10 at 6:00 p.m. Funds to be discussed on Monday include fire services, police department and codes. Funds to be discussed on Tuesday include highway/compost, parks and recreation, building and grounds, administration and debt service. He thanked everyone for coming out this evening.
15. **Adjournment:** Vice President Boudier made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Ellis. Motion carried unanimously.



Karen Alleman, Assistant Secretary