

Caln Township
253 Municipal Drive
Thorndale, PA 19372
February 12, 2015 minutes
7:40 PM

Call to order and pledge of allegiance.

Attendance – John Contento; President, Cynthia Eshleman; Vice President, Jim Kruse; Commissioner, Joshua Young; Commissioner, Lorraine Tindaro; Commissioner, Greg Prowant; Township Manager, Jeffrey W. McClintock PE, CFM; Township Engineer, and Denise Miller Recording Secretary. Solicitor Kristin Camp was absent.

Executive Session – President Contento announced that prior to tonight’s meeting, an Executive Session was held to discuss legal and personnel matters.

Citizens to be Heard

N/A

Ordinances and Resolutions for Consideration

N/A

Royal Farms ZTA – Greg Richardson of Traffic Planning and Design stated that since last time he was before the Board he completed a traffic impact study to determine any traffic impacts that the proposed Royal Farms would have on the adjacent roadways. He also had a preliminary discussion with PennDOT mainly the access locations and the scope of their traffic study, at which they commented on briefly. They have not done a formal review as far as a highway occupancy permit which is what would be needed for any access points out onto Rock Raymond Road or Route 322.

Mr. Richardson also stated that he took extra special care to look at the Board’s concerns regarding the traffic along Route 322, especially during the peak hours, and when the school busses are arriving in the morning. Before the Board is a concept plan only, that depicts some level of improvements that we would propose along Lloyd, as well as some pedestrian access improvements.

- New right turn lane
- Access point to line up with Lloyd
- Fourth leg added to the traffic signal
- A restriping of Route 322 to provide a separate left turn lane that would be opposite the existing left turn lane on Route 322.
- Signal would have to be retimed to make sure it works in coordination with the existing signal at Rock Raymond due to its proximity
- Take into consideration the new signal that would go potentially in at the west bound ramps for Route 322, and the off ramp of the bypass.

Mr. Richardson reviewed one of the Township Traffic Consultants recommendations.

- The original plan showed an existing turn lane on Route 322 at Rock Raymond, as well as vehicles to turn the opposite direction to go south on Lloyd. Recommendation; Provide a pedestrian pathway trail, or paved sidewalk along the

premotor along Rock Raymond just right off the roadway. **Intention;** To help facilitate the placement of the sidewalk on Rock Raymond then proceeding around the corner and then proceeding to the site and terminating just west of their site and property limits.

The Board asked Mr. Travani to review his review letter, point by point. Mr. Travani read his review letter for the Board, and answered all Board questions. The Board had several questions for Mr. Travani, all answered to the Boards satisfaction

Alyson Zarro, Esquire, Riley Riper Hollin and Colagreco, stated if the board is comfortable in what they heard, the next step would be authorizing a hearing on the ordinance amendment. By consensus, The Board noted they are not ready to set a hearing date. The Board also noted that their biggest concern is traffic. Commissioner Contento tabled further discussion until the next meeting.

SAI Temple Sketch Plan 2014 – Mr. McClintock noted this project is the construction of a new SAI Temple along with parking, stormwater management, and potentially a new access drive to the site. Currently, the property is home to the existing SAI Temple, consisting of 2,645 SF, and approximately 20 parking spaces. The SAI Temple, permitted by Special Exception, is in the R-1 zoning district, will consist of approximately 29,472 SF and 556 parking spaces.

Mr. John Jaros, Esquire, Riley Riper Hollin and Colagreco, Mr. Dave Gibbons PE., D.L. Howell and Associates, and Applicant Mr. Kulrj Singh presented a proposed 2 story temple with a footprint comprising of 29,472 SF, with proposed access of a 24 foot wide cart way out to Osborne Road.

- Public water and sewer is proposed.
- Site contains both steep and very steep slopes.
- Thursday night ½ hour religious events, 20-25 cars per event.
- 500 parking spaces needed for 3-4 special events.
- Fire police to be hired during special events for traffic.
- Possibility for Priests to stay overnight, if Board approves. No public to stay overnight.
- Open Monday–Sunday.
- Possible 10-20 EDU’s needed, no projections done at this time
- Received Mr. McClintock’s review letter of January 12 and Mr. Reczek, January 8
- January 20 appeared before Township Planning Commission, and received their comments. One recommendation to use Edges Mill Road for their access driveway.

Mr. Jaros stated he will take the Board and Planning Commission comments under advisement prior to filing their Special Exception application.

Kings Grant Status – Mr. McClintock noted staff is working diligently on a settlement agreement and Land Development agreement with the Developer, the Bank, and Rouse Chamberlin. Kings Grant HOA met and approved Amendment 3 to their Declaration, which will amend their declaration to be consisting with some of the conditions in the draft settlement agreement. The Board was given a copy of the Amendment as well as a draft of the settlement agreement. Scott Saboe and Jen Wigham, both members of the Kings Grant HOA Board, were in attendance. The Board asked Mr. Saboe and Ms. Wigham if they are ok with everything. Both replied the HOA is agreeable to everything, and thanked Mr. McClintock for all his work.

Code Enforcement – Mr. Reczek

Mr. Reczek presented his January report with a few highlighted items.

- Code office in the midst of their rental program.

- 2305 Kings Highway has 30 days to present a plan before ordered to demolish structure.
- Variance hearing March 5, 2015 new Park West stadium lights for Spirit Soccer.
- Valley Township Oakcrest and Hillview Developments are coming to a close.
- Coppa 82 to start construction in March.

Mr. Prowant noted the old structure on the golf course needs to be demolished, and is budgeted for 2015.

Commissioner Young noted that WAWA and CVS decorative street lights are not working. Mr. Reczek noted that Mr. Prowant asked him to send letters out to both stores regarding violation of their conditional use requirement. Mr. Prowant noted CVS lights were on last night. Mr. Reczek noted he will revisit WAWA and proceed as necessary.

Traffic – Mr. Tavani, Township Traffic Engineer

Mr. McClintock noted Mr. Tavani is open for Board questions. Commissioner Eshleman asked how SAI Temple's weddings were factored into traffic. Mr. Tavani replied typically you base a traffic study on what is the most ordinary daily traffic loads.

Mr. Kruse asked Mr. Tavani with Dwell, SAI Temple, and Royal Farms, will Royal Farms work. Mr. Tavani replied a gas station facility has pretty much the highest by pass rate of any land use you can imagine. Mr. Kruse asked Mr. Tavani to write a summary, for the Board, on his opinion on what is going to happen and everything else they discussed tonight. Mr. Tavani indicated he would prepare a summary and forward to Mr. McClintock.

Land Development – Mr. McClintock, Township Engineer

Report Chart Discussion – Mr. McClintock noted Applicant Benne Norton Avenue Land Development 2013 project submitted revised plans, along with an extension request valid through April 20, 2015. No Board action at this time.

Engineering Items – Mr. McClintock, Township Engineer

2015 Chesco VPP Grant – Mr. McClintock asked the Board to select, and appoint the Committee members for the Vision Partnership Grant Program. Mr. Prowant noted five members of the Planning Commission, two Commissioners, and the residents who submitted their applications. Commissioner Young recommended Mr. Robinson as an ex officio member. Mr. Contento entertained a motion to formally appoint all members of the Planning Commission including the ex officio member, Commissioner Tindaro and himself, Residents Mrs. Noel Bernard, Mr. Marc Fox, and Mr. Anthony Verway for a total of 11 members. This motion was moved by Commissioner Young and seconded by Commissioner Tindaro. Vote passed 5-0. Commissioner Contento asked Mr. McClintock to provide Landscapes 2 and Chester County 2025 report from the Chester County website. Mr. McClintock responded he will see if the members would like a township email to access this documentation or use their personal email address.

Fisherville Road Slope Repair – Mr. McClintock noted this project is a slope repair project in front of 3109 Fisherville Road, the Board approved the bid in the amount of \$91,602.17 to Veteran Construction & Utility Services, Inc. The project started February 11 with a substantial completion date of March 20, 2015, weather pending. Mr. McClintock noted that the full road closure for this project has been implemented and the roadway will remain closed until the project is completed.

ARLE 2011-CCTV Procurement/Installation Project – Mr. McClintock noted he would like to get this project out to bid within the next 3-4 weeks, and would like the Board's permission to advertise for bids as soon as the bid specifications are prepared. Commissioner Contento entertained a motion to authorize the advertising of bids for the ARLE 2011 CCTV Procurement/Installation project. This motion was moved by Commissioner Tindaro and seconded by Commissioner Eshleman. Vote passed 5-0.

Bondsville/GO Carlson Intersection Improvements Project – Mr. McClintock noted he is in the process of preparing the bid specifications for this work and would like to get this project out to bid also within the next 3-4 weeks, and would like the Board’s permission to advertise for bids as soon as the bid specifications are prepared. Mr. Kruse asked if the township was doing any of the work. Mr. McClintock replied that in his conversations with PennDOT, they suggested possibly combining the two projects in an effort to get better pricing. Also, he noted that the current work schedule for the Construction Crew has them booked with activity thru mid-June, at the moment. Commissioner Contento entertained a motion to authorize the advertising of bids for the Bondsville/GO Carlson Intersection Improvements Project. This motion was moved by Commissioner Tindaro and seconded by Commissioner Eshleman. Vote 5-0.

Mr. McClintock noted he met with former Commissioner Chuck Kramer and asked him to look at the backup proposals, from Help Now. Mr. Kramer recommends the Township consider the one version which has a onetime cost of \$2,899.00 for the hardware, a reoccurring monthly cost of \$449.00 for a 36 month program. This would back up data for the police, email, and administrative server, meaning all servers are included. Commissioner Eshleman made a motion to approve the Help Now contract for a backup program and also the monthly reoccurring costs associated therewith. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Tindaro. Commissioner Contento restated the motion to approve the Help Now quote AAAQ1423 in the amount of \$2,899.00 for the hardware and a recurring cost of \$449.00 a month for 36 months to provide backup service for the township and police services. Mr. McClintock noted that the cost will be borne by the 409 computer line item and there are budgeted monies for this expenditure. Vote passed 5-0.

Township Manager – Mr. Prowant

Lloyd Park Pet Wash Proposal – Mr. Prowant noted he received a proposal from two entrepreneurs to install an automatic dog washing device at Lloyd Park near the circle area in the park area. The fee would be \$10.00 to wash and air dry your dog. Mr. Prowant also noted that he is not sure if the proposed plans will move forward because of the cost to the entrepreneur. The Board is concerned with a private business in the park.

US Sports Institute Summer Program – Mr. Prowant noted he met with a representative of USA Sports Institute who would like to partner with Caln Township on summer programs, in the township park. The township would also receive part of the fees collected for each participant.

Township sign repair – Mr. Prowant noted the Twinning Association would like to repair/repaint the twinning sign at the entrance of G.O. Carlson Boulevard at Bondsville Road. They would also like to partner with the township to repair/replace the township sign. The Board consensus was to table the township sign because they are not sure what direction they are taking with it.

Park West Shed – Mr. Prowant noted there is a proposal, in the Board packet, to reconstruct a shed at park west using 100% of insurance funds, which has been submitted to the insurance carrier. The shed proposal does not include a paved or concrete floor but could be added later, by the township crew. The shed will store trash and recycling carts and road equipment. It will be 10 foot wider than the prior shed.

Chester County Open Space Grant – Mr. Prowant noted he was asked, after the last meeting, to have an appraiser appraise the fire company’s open space. At the direction of the county, we would submit for a grant to acquire the 4 acres in the flood plain area and the fire company would retain the non-floodplain area, for future use with their property. The township cost to acquire the 4 acres would be \$35,000.00 with a possible county grant of 50% or \$17,500.00, which would leave 25% for the local match which could be in part or entirely a donation from the property owner. Mr. Prowant also noted he would need a resolution at the next meeting in order to submit the county grant application by February 27, the due date.

Bill List

Checks #35405–Check #35477 – Commissioner Contento entertained a motion to approve check #35405 to check #35477, in the amount of \$255,015.64. This motion was moved by Commissioner Kruse and seconded by Commissioner Young. Vote passed 5-0.

Additional Business

Commissioner Kruse made a motion for Board approval in the amount of \$450.00, up to \$500.00, to do a preliminary site inspection regarding a Beaver Creek trail with Vortex Environmental. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Contento. Commissioner Eshleman voted nae. Vote passed. 4-1.

Mr. Prowant informed the Board of the newsletter committee consisting of Denise Miller, Mary Slade, and himself. 15 to 20 articles have been submitted to the publisher.

Commissioner Eshleman noted Commissioner Young and she attended the AED meeting at Caln Elementary School where Officer Nate Miller and Mr. Stackhouse, having done CPR and also applying an AED to a patient who survived, where recognized.

Commissioner Contento noted he spoke with Chief Cordisco regarding International Fire Fighters Day (May 4) to see what they could do, supported by the township. Such as something like a Beef and Beer to acknowledge the Firefighters as well as the volunteer Firefighters. Commissioner Contento asked for a proclamation from the Board recognizing the day.

Public Comments

None

Adjournment – Mr. Contento entertained a motion to adjourn the February 12, 2015 work session meeting at 10:30 PM. This motion was moved by Commissioner Kruse and seconded by Commissioner Young. Vote passed 5-0.

Submitted by,

Denise Miller
Recording Secretary