

**Amity Township Board of Supervisors  
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES**

June 7, 2023

**Call to Order/Pledge to the Flag**

The June 7, 2023, Board of Supervisors Workshop meeting, held at the Township Municipal Building, 2004 Weavertown Road, Douglassville, Berks County, Pennsylvania, was called to order at 7:00PM, by Chairperson Kim McGrath followed by the pledge to the flag. The following were in attendance:

**SUPERVISORS**

Kim McGrath, Chairperson  
Dave Hackett, Vice Chair  
Paul Weller  
Terry Jones  
Kevin Keifrider

**STAFF**

Troy Bingaman, Manager  
Brian F. Boland, Kozloff/Stoudt Attorneys  
Steve Loomis, Director of Codes and Life Safety  
Pamela Kisch, Township Secretary

Mrs. McGrath announced *Service Electric*, continues to invest in their network and in an effort to provide faster speeds at the best value have reduced internet rates for customers in most tiers this year. Mrs. McGrath announced the Reading Area Transportation Study will conduct *meetings for public comment on the draft Public Participation Plan* on Wednesday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM in the Ag Center auditorium and on June 27<sup>th</sup> at the Berks County Commissioner’s Boardroom.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

Mrs. McGrath turned the meeting over to Mr. Boland at 7:02PM for the and *Continuance of the Conditional Use Hearing for JC Investment Group, LLC*, 335 Monocacy Hill Road.

At 7:50PM Mr. Boland turned the meeting over to Mrs. McGrath and the Workshop Meeting resumed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

*Zoning Hearing Board Vacancy* – Mr. Bingaman stated Joseph Palmeri submitted a letter of interest. Mr. Palmeri was in attendance and introduced himself. Mr. Palmeri is a Marine Corps Veteran who served on the Water & Sewer Board while at Camp Lejeune. Mr. Palmeri is currently employed as a civil servant, working at Veterans Affairs in East Norriton. Mrs. McGrath stated the Zoning Hearing Board meets the fourth Monday of the month, as needed. Mr. Palmeri asked if there would be any training or further direction provided. Mr. Bingaman stated Mr. Palmeri would be receiving communication via email and be notified of when formal training is available. Mr. Weller moved, seconded by Mr. Hackett to appoint Joseph Palmeri to the Zoning Hearing Board. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Palmeri will serve the remainder of the term vacated by the resignation of James Mazzoni, expiring 12/31/2024.

Mr. Bingaman requested a brief *Executive Session* to discuss potential litigation.

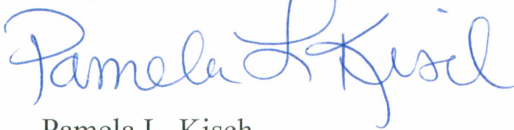
*Luke Schafer of Troop #597* was in attendance working on his Community Service Badge.

Russell Jirik, Firethorn Drive, stated *Comcast* is tearing up property. Mr. Jirik asked if the raised patches in the road would be fixed. Mr. Loomis stated the Township is requiring Comcast to clean up and make restorations. Mr. Jirik stated the roads have humps in them from the temperatures. Mr. Loomis explained restoration is required by Ordinance. Mr. Jirik stated Firethorn Drive to Ridge Drive has a lot of ruts. Mr. Bingaman stated he would talk with the Mr. Maguire and get back to Mr. Jirik. Richard Cooper, Limekiln Road, stated *school buses* came from New Rhoads for years, driving back and forth and turning on Weavertown Road and asked if there was any extra wearing of Weavertown Road from the buses. Mr. Bingaman stated he drives that section of Weavertown Road everyday and does not feel any ruts. Mike Thompson stated there have been patches applied on that road and stated he feels there will be issues in the corners from buses turning into and out of the Monocacy Hill Road property.

With no further business, at 8:01PM Mr. Jones moved, seconded by Mr. Weller to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss potential litigation with no intent to return. Motion passed 5-0.

The Workshop Meeting was adjourned at 8:01PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela L. Kisch  
Township Secretary