

**Mount Joy Township Supervisors’
Supervisors’ Regular Meeting
March 17, 2016**

Meeting Minutes

Present: John Gormont, Chairman; David Updyke, Vice-Chair; Dennis Bowman; Gil Clark; Bradley Trostle; Susan Smith, Solicitor; Sheri Moyer, Secretary

The Mount Joy Township Board of Supervisors met this date, as publicly advertised, at the Mount Joy Township Building located at 902 Hoffman Home Rd., Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

Call to Order: John Gormont, presiding.

Starting Time: 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments: Carol Holtz questioned about the township providing brine at the Links. Mr. Gormont stated that the Township is providing brine to the Links for them to apply. Mr. Gormont stated it is being done at no cost since they are taxpayers to the Township. He indicated that the same offer was made to Lake Heritage.

Approval of Minutes:

- Supervisors’ Regular Meeting Minutes, February 18, 2016. Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Trostle, to accept Minutes as presented. Motion carried. Note: Mr. Bowman abstained since he was not in attendance.
- Supervisors’ Workshop Meeting Minutes, March 3, 2016. Mr. Bowman moved, seconded by Mr. Trostle, to accept Minutes as presented. Motion carried. Note: Mr. Updyke abstained since he was not in attendance.

Chairman’s Comments: None.

Solicitor’s Report: Ms. Smith provided a verbal report and will provide a written report for the April meeting.

Persons Requesting Time on Agenda: None.

Announcements: None.

Treasurer’s Reports:

- Approval of Monthly Finance Report. Mr. Bowman moved, seconded by Mr. Trostle, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Approval of Bills Paid Report. Mr. Bowman moved, seconded by Mr. Trostle, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Road Report: Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Trostle, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Subdivision and Land Dev.: None.

Engineering Report: Mr. Clark moved, seconded by Mr. Updyke, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Zoning Officer/Code Enforcement Officer's Report: Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Trostle, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Building Inspections:

- **MDIA Inspection Report:** Mr. Bowman moved, seconded by Mr. Trostle, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Land and Sea Service Inspection Report:** Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Trostle, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Fire Company Reports:

	MJT Calls per month	YTD Calls in MJT
1. Alpha Fire Company	1	3
2. Barlow Fire Company	1	6
3. United Hook & Ladder No. 33-3	0	0
4. Gettysburg Fire Co.	1	5

Mr. Bowman moved, seconded by Mr. Trostle, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Open Records Officer Report

- Phil Thompson – Solicitor Smith’s legal vouchers for the period July through December 2015 and for a copy of her fee schedule for 2016 – Granted in part; denied in part
- William Brad Yowell, Sr. – Building plans for 3345 Baltimore Pike – Denied
- Larry DeLauter from Construction Journal requesting White Road Bid Results – Denied
- Jim Paddock – Inspect the Conditional Use approved plans and decision for the Hotel/conference center - Granted
- Todd McCauslin – Building/Construction Permits and Engineer or structural report for fence at 663 Plunkert Road – Granted in part; denied in part
- Glenda & Kent Gerrick – all correspondence from Todd & Angela McCauslin from January 2016 to date – Granted
- Todd McCauslin – Building/Construction Materials, fence design and building permit for 663 Plunkert Road – Granted
- Glenda & Kent Gerrick – Correspondence received from Todd & Angela McCauslin sent to the Township and MDIA - Granted

Correspondence

- Letter dated February 17, 2016 from Comcast regarding professional installation charge and letter dated March 10, 2016 regarding channel changes
- Letter dated February 6, 2016 from RAYAC Realtors Association enclosing the 2015 Adams County Market Report
- Letter dated February 26, 2016 from PA Emergency Management Agency acknowledging the recommendation to appoint Kory Weaver as the Township’s Emergency Management Coordinator
- Letter dated March 8, 2016 from Governor Tom Wolf appointing Kory Weaver as the Township’s Emergency Management Coordinator

- Letter dated March 15, 2016 from PADEP regarding complaint municipal solid waste dumping and burning at 2505 Taneytown Road.

Ms. Smith said this letter was from the DEP office handling solid waste matter documenting conversations that took place before this letter was issued. Ms. Smith said that the DEP received a complaint on March 7, 2016. On March 9, 2016 the DEP official contacted the Township, who then contacted Ms. Smith for some legal guidance. Within an hour Ms. Hare and Mr. Weaver, EMC, went out to the property and did a site visit. They reported that they did not see any waste or burning residue. Following that, the DEP official contacted her stating that the burning took place in the evening and gave her a location as to where the burning took place. Ms. Hare and Mr. Wise, road crew worker, went out to the site and reported that there was evidence of burning but there was no solid waste being stored on the property. Ms. Smith stated that the Township does not have enough information at this time to officially act. Ms. Smith said the Township did everything timely which has culminated in a letter under Chapter 77 of the Code. Chapter 77 is the Solid Waste Management Chapter. It regulates the storage and disposal of anything constituting solid waste as defined in the ordinance. Ms. Hare has issued a notice letter to the property owner, who happens to live in Maryland, and to the occupants living on the property.

- Letter dated March 15, 2016 from Todd McCauslin regarding 663 Plunkert Road

Mr. Trostle read the letter which was addressed to the Board of Supervisors and BCO, Ed Strevig.

Ms. Smith, noted for the record, the property owner who has erected a privacy screen inside of their property submitted a drawing to MDIA, who is the Township's UCC inspector. It was approved and a UCC building permit was issued. They also provided a sealed structural engineer report regarding the structural stability. Ms. Smith said that the property owner has an appropriate UCC permit, has submitted all the necessary documentation to obtain that permit, constructed a privacy screen that is approximately 16 feet tall and has been inspected by the Township's UCC inspector. The actions complained about by Mr. McCauslin are not based on facts at this point.

Ms. Smith stated that a structural engineer visited the property and has sealed his statement and read into the record the structural engineer's report. "I have determined that the construction of this fence is adequate to meet the design requirements for 90mph wind, 2009 IBC, ASCE7 and the 2015 IBC amendments per the PA UCC. The length of the fence has no influence on its design; thus, the length is unrestricted and suitable for further extension. Additionally, the fence posts are adequate with horizontal 2x6's attached to a height of 24 four feet." She stated that he also recognized it is approximately 16 feet above grade and could go higher.

Glenda Gerrick – 663 Plunkert Road. Ms. Gerrick said the fence was not put up because of the ATV's. She said that the picture of the ATV's that was sent to the Township by Mr. McCauslin was found on the internet and is not their house. She stated she put the fence up to keep him out of their business. She indicated that he has done this to the previous neighbors. She wanted the Board to know that they are not bad people.

Committee/Board Reports:

- Personnel (B. Trostle, D. Updyke): No report
- Finance (J. Gormont, D. Updyke): No report
- Planning Commission: Mr. Trostle moved, seconded by Mr. Clark, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Planning, Land Use & Zoning (D. Bowman): No report
- Building & Grounds (G. Clark): No report

- Roads (J. Gormont): Mr. Gormont said that he received a quote for a second 5,000 gallon holding tank for the brine in the amount of \$5,000.00. His concern was that should there be back-to-back storms, currently we will not be able to spray again because the recovery is marginal to be able to refill the tank within a day. Mr. Clark moved, seconded by Mr. Trostle, to purchase a 5,000 gallon holding tank for the purchase price of \$5,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

- Public Safety (G. Clark): No report

Business: None

Executive Session: None

Adjournment: With no further business to be discussed by the Board, Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Clark, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheri L. Moyer
Secretary