

EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PUBLIC WORK SESSION MEETING
589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837
June 24, 2024

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Tom Zorn; Supervisor Katie Evans; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; Township Solicitor Peter Matson and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public: Becky Perez (The Public Library for Union County), Rachael Waugh (The Public Library for Union County), Greg Zeh, Lauryn Longacre (Standard Journal), Tina Prowant, Ann Yost (YSM) and Ron Belletti.

Chairman Knight announced an informational meeting was held Thursday, June 13, 2024, at 1:00 PM with Merrill Lynn Conservancy to go over the annual report for Turtle Creek Park.

There was no hearing of Visitors.

Vice Chairman Zorn reported that he attended the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Commission meeting on June 12, 2024, researched information on the Animal Control Officer issues, and followed up on the Buffalo Valley Regional Police pension issue regarding the yearly MMO requirements.

Supervisor Evans reported that she attended the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Commission meeting on June 12, 2024, and will be attending a meeting of the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Commission Planning Committee on Tuesday, June 25, 2024, to continue discussions on hiring a new police chief.

Township Manager Helwig reported that the Buffalo Valley Rail Trail pedestrian sensors located on both sides of the Fairground Road trail crossing are now working. The sensors are part of the Multimodal Project which has been inspected by PennDOT and we are now in a 30-day test period. Township Manager Helwig announced that Intrada has installed the final camera at the recycling center and the project is now complete. Township Manager Helwig reviewed the Fairground Road Park project on Monday, June 24, 2024, and the pavilion footers and frame are installed, the playground equipment is about 75% installed and the new trails have been started. Township Manager Helwig reported that she attended the PSATS's Secretary/Manager Summit Tuesday, June 18 and Wednesday, June 19, 2024, with Secretary/Treasurer Boudman. Township Manager Helwig announced that there will be a PSATS Webinar on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, that she and Secretary/Treasurer Boudman have signed up for and the supervisors should let her know if they wish to attend as well.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the June 10, 2024, supervisor business meeting minutes as distributed.
Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

No motion made by Township Supervisors on Spruce Hill Park Land Development. Ann Yost of YSM gave a review of the revised park drawings showing changes requested by the Supervisors and noting additional bid alternates.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to submit an application for the 2024 Healing the Planet Grant in the amount of \$2,400 to purchase forty (40) trees for Turtle Creek Park.
Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to accept Makenzie Stover's resignation as the Planning/Zoning Officer effective July 21, 2024.
Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

No motion made by Township Supervisors on the Public Library Board of Trustees. Becky Perez (The Public Library for Union County), Rachael Waugh (The Public Library for Union County), as part of a three-year strategic plan for years 2025 through 2027, currently being developed by their Board of Trustees asked for the supervisor's input on current services provided and what future services should be considered to meet the needs of township residents.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to advertise for an Animal Control Officer to deal with domestic animals only.

Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Chairman Knight called for an executive session at the end of the meeting.

Press Time:

- Lauryn Longacre (Standard Journal) asked Township Solicitor Peter Matson for clarification on the Animal Control Officer's liability.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to enter an Executive Session at 6:46 PM.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to exit Executive Session at 6:53.


Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to adjourn at 6:53.



Gayle Boudman, Secretary



James Knight, Chairman



Tom Zorn, Vice Chairman



Katie Evans, Supervisor