

**MINUTES OF PLUMSTEAD TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
MAY 10, 2023**

1. **Call to Order:** The May 10, 2023, regular scheduled meeting of the Plumstead Township Board of Supervisors was held at Plumstead Township Municipal Building, 5186 Stump Road, Pipersville, PA. Chairman, James McComb, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

James McComb	Chair
Daniel Hilferty	Vice Chair
Kenneth Lichtenstein	Assistant Secretary
*Peter Busillo	Member
Gregory Bankos	Assistant Treasurer

APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Township Manager:	Angela P. Benner
Township Solicitor:	William D. Oetinger, Esq.
*Township Engineer:	Timothy Fulmer, PE

* Not Present

2. **Moment of Silence & Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. McComb led the Board and Audience in a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Announcements:** Mr. McComb stated the Board of Supervisors work session scheduled for Tuesday, May 23 and the Planning Commission work session scheduled for Thursday, May 25 have been cancelled.

Ms. Benner requested the Board amend the agenda to add the authorization of execution of the Stormwater Maintenance Agreement for 3931 Sawmill Road to the consent agenda.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. McComb, seconded by Mr. Lichtenstein, the Board unanimously amended the agenda to add the authorization of execution of the Stormwater Maintenance Agreement for 3931 Sawmill Road to the consent agenda.

4. **Public Comment:** There was no public comment at this time.

5. **ZHB Applications:**

- 5.1. **4192 Applebutter Road:** Ms. Benner stated that the applicant is requesting a dimensional variance to allow the detached garage to be built on 76,497 square ft. where 90,000 square ft. is required.

There was a consensus among the Board to stay neutral and leave the matter to the Zoning Hearing Board.

- 5.2. **5422 Down Run:** Ms. Benner stated that the applicant is requesting a variance to allow a left yard setback of 19'7" where 25' ft is required to allow for an accessory dwelling use be added to the existing barn.

There was a consensus among the Board to stay neutral and leave the matter to the Zoning Hearing Board.

6. **New Business**

6.1. Resolution #2023-15: Honoring Albert LeRoy Angeny: Mr. McComb stated that the Township previously authorized the bridge on Bergstrom Road to be dedicated to Albert LeRoy Angeny which is scheduled for May 20, 2023, and in addition Mr. McComb has requested the Board consider adopting a resolution establishing May 20, 2023, as a day of honor for Mr. Angeny.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Lichtenstein, the Board unanimously approved Resolution #2023-15 establishing May 20, 2023 as a day of honor for Albert LeRoy Angeny.

6.2. Service Award for 20 Years of Service – Corporal Timothy Dockery: Ms. Benner stated that she wanted to acknowledge Corporal Dockery for his years of service.

6.3. Service Award for 20 Years of Service – Mark Snyder: Ms. Benner stated that she wanted to acknowledge Mark Snyder for his years of service.

6.4. Resolution #2023-16: Sterling Act Resolution: Ms. Benner stated that BCATO is requesting the Township adopt a Resolution that would amend the Sterling Act allowing for 1% of the city wage tax to be split evenly between the municipality and the school district where the employee resides.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Lichtenstein, the Board unanimously approved Resolution #2023-16 requesting an amendment to the Sterling Act to require that one percent (1%) of earned income by non-residents to the city of Philadelphia and collected under the requirements of the Philadelphia Wage Tax be remitted to the municipality in which the taxpayer resides.

6.5. Appointment of Right to Know Officers: Ms. Benner stated that she is requesting Andrea Susten be designated as the Township's Open Records Officer and Sarah Ferri in the Police Department be designated the Open Records Officer for the Police Department.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Bankos, the Board unanimously appointed Andrea Susten as the Township's Open Records Officer and Sarah Ferri as the Police Department Open Records Officer.

6.6. Resolution #2023-17: Fee Schedule Update (RKTL Fees): Ms. Benner stated that due to the new Right to Know Law, the Chief is requesting fees be established to address these requests related to Crime Victims Involved in Civil Action.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Lichtenstein, the Board unanimously approved Resolution #2023-17 amending the Township's Fee Schedule.

6.7. Authorization to send draft Codification Ordinance to Planning Commissions and to Advertise Ordinance for Adoption: Ms. Benner stated that the Board, as part of the 2022 budget adopted, approved a legal and editorial analysis to be performed on the Township's Code of Ordinances to identify and correct any inconsistencies, errors or outdated information that could potentially affect the Code's enforceability and alignment with States Statutes. Ms. Benner stated the analysis has been completed and at this time the proposed ordinance that corrects any inconsistencies, errors and outdated information is ready to be sent to the Township and County Planning Commissions for review. Ms. Benner stated that the ordinance will also have to be advertised for a future board meeting

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hilferty, seconded by Mr. Lichtenstein, the Board unanimously authorized to send the draft codification ordinance to the Township and Bucks County Planning Commissions and authorized advertisement of the Ordinance for consideration of adoption at a future Board meeting.

7. Consent Agenda

7.1. Bills List Dated April 25, 2023 in the amount of \$419,730.90, subject to Audit

7.2. Bills List Dated May 10, 2023 in the amount of \$512,391.05, subject to Audit

7.3. Minutes of Meeting of April 14, 2023

7.4. Authorization of Execute 1st Amendment to Conservation Easement of 6596 Groveland Road

7.5. Authorization to execute the Stormwater Maintenance Agreement for 3931 Sawmill Road

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Lichtenstein, seconded by Mr. Bankos, the Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda.

8. Board of Supervisors Comments:

Mr. Bankos stated that there was a committee hearing in Harrisburg discussing accessible housing and the potential of Zoning laws being decided at the State or County level instead of the local level.

Mr. Hilferty stated that the Veterans Committee has two events coming up, the bridge dedication on May 20 at 10:30 A.M. and the Memorial Day Service.

Mr. Lichtenstein provided updates to the board on the EAC and LPEAC and stated that he attended the Plumstead Volunteer Fire Company Fundraiser, which raised about \$7,000 dollars. Mr. Lichtenstein also stated that BCATO discussed moving forward in bipartisan and bicameral support for the Township's cemetery concern.

Mr. McComb stated that he attended the PSATS conference and spoke with other Board members in the State who mentioned that their boards are not prepared for meetings and fight during meetings. Mr. McComb stated that he is glad that the Board doesn't fight and added that he appreciates that staff always ensures he and his fellow board members are well prepared and informed for meetings.

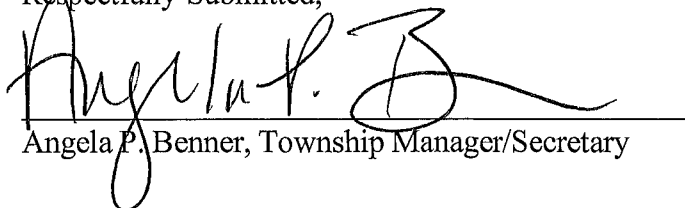
Ms. Benner stated that the next steps for the Comprehensive Plan Update are to start workshops and after discussion with the Bucks County Planning Commission, they agreed that the best time for resident engagement would be the end of September. Ms. Benner stated she will coordinate where and when the meetings will take place and the promoting of information and future meetings.

9. Public Comment: There was no public comment at this time.

10. Adjournment: Upon motion by Mr. Bankos, seconded by Mr. Lichtenstein, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Date Approved: 4/14/23

Respectfully Submitted,


Angela P. Benner, Township Manager/Secretary