

**HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULARLY SCHEDULED WORK SESSION MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2019**

The regularly scheduled work session meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman John B. McIlhinney at 7:00 PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also in attendance were Vice-Chairman Ken Bennington, Supervisor James Groff, Township Manager Lorraine Leslie, Chief of Police Christopher Engelhart, Township Solicitor Stephen Harris, and Finance Director Marianne Egan.

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Chairman McIlhinney announced there was an Executive Session prior to the meeting to discuss legal matters.
2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: None.
3. CONSENT AGENDA:
 - a) Minutes of the October 28, 2019 Board of Supervisors Meeting
 - b) Bills List November 12, 2019
 - c) Financial Report October 31, 2019
 - d) Perkasio Fire Company 2020 Fire Agreement for Signature by the BOS
 - e) Telford Fire Company 2020 Fire Agreement for Signature by the BOS

Motion was made by Supervisor Bennington, seconded by Supervisor Groff and carried unanimously to accept and approve items 3a thru 3e on the Consent Agenda as written. There was no public comment.

4. CONFIRMED APPOINTMENT: None.
5. LEGAL: SOLICITOR'S REPORT:
 - a) ZHB Hearings on 11/14/2019 – 2019-008 Gordon & 2019-009 Bongiovanni – Solicitor Harris stated ZHB 2019-008 is a hearing for Gordon Builders seeking setback and ultimate right-of-way variances to construct a porch, located at 721 Blooming Glen Road, where the two story porch used to be on the southern end of the building, and, build a new two story deck on the western side of the building. Chairman McIlhinney stated Mr. Taylor stated he would take care of the construction side of the project. The Board of Supervisors stated they do not wish for Solicitor Harris to attend the hearing.
Solicitor Harris stated ZHB 2019-009 is a hearing for Michael and Michelle Bongiovanni seeking a variance from the rear yard setback to construct a roof on an existing unroofed deck located at

150 Sterling Drive. The Board of Supervisors stated they do not wish for Solicitor Harris to attend the hearing.

b) Resolution 2019-019 – Agricultural Security Area – Hostrander Application – Authorization to Advertise – Solicitor Harris stated Resolution 2019-019 is for the authorization to advertise the submission of an application from Matthew and Melissa Hostrander, 900 Quarry Road, to join the Hilltown Township Agricultural Security Area and to be sent to the Township and Bucks County Planning Commissions and the Hilltown Township Agricultural Security Area Advisory Committee for comment. Motion was made by Supervisor Bennington, seconded by Supervisor Groff and carried unanimously to approve Resolution 2019-019 allowing the Hostrander application to be advertised for a fourteen-day comment period and be sent to the Township and Bucks County Planning Commissions and the Hilltown Township Agricultural Security Area Advisory Committee for comment. There was no public comment.

6. PLANNING: None.

7. ENGINEERING:

a) MS4 – Pollution Reduction Plan – Authorization to Advertise for Public Comment – Township Manager, Lorraine Leslie stated approval is needed by the Board of Supervisors for authorization for Mr. Wynn to advertise the MS-4 Pollution Reduction Plan for a 30-day public comment period per Mr. Wynn's letter dated November 4, 2019. Motion was made by Supervisor Bennington, seconded by Supervisor Groff and carried unanimously for Mr. Wynn to advertise the MS-4 Pollution Reduction Plan for a 30-day public comment period per Mr. Wynn's letter dated November 4, 2019. There was no public comment.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

a) Scott Drumbore: H&K – Request for extension of hours for the month of December of the Concrete & Asphalt Plant at the Skunk Hollow Quarry: Chairman McIlhinney stated H&K has requested to operate the concrete batch plant, asphalt batch plant, and the crushing plant between the hours of 6:30 pm to 6:30 am, Monday through Saturday, between December 1, 2019 and December 31, 2019, excluding holidays, for the PennDOT projects per their letter dated

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November 7, 2019. Motion was made by Supervisor Groff and seconded by Chairman McIlhinney, to grant the extension of hours for the month of December for the Concrete and Asphalt Plant at the Skunkhollow Quarry per their letter dated November 7, 2019 with the exception of striking the part in the letter in regard to "and/or private customers." The motion passed 2-1 with Supervisor Bennington having the opposing vote.

Public Comment: John Gatter, 212 Skunk Hollow Road, questioned the hours of the Skunk Hollow Quarry. Discussion occurred regarding the request for the extension of hours, the agreement, and paving during the cold weather and during the evening. Ms. Leslie stated she will provide Mr. Gatter with the hours of operation for the quarry for the past few months.

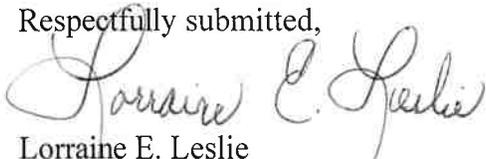
6. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS: Supervisor Bennington thanked his fellow Veterans, both living and dead, who served, fought, and died for the right to allow everyone else to live in freedom in this great country. He continued to state it's great this country, Congress, and President recognizes Veterans one day out of the year but what about the other 364 days when there are Veterans coming back from war zones with no limbs, get hooked on opioids, and end up on the streets of Philadelphia soliciting money because they can't afford to eat or buy their medicines ... coming back with PTSD and committing suicides at a higher rate. It's great that it is one day but this Congress and this President really need to do more for Veterans. Chairman McIlhinney stated he is glad the Congress and the President have, in fact, recognized the need to recognize all our Veterans and they are trying their best to make changes to what was, apparently, a failing system at the VA.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

8. PRESS CONFERENCE: None.

9. ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion by Supervisor Bennington, seconded by Supervisor Groff and carried unanimously, the November 11, 2019 Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors Work Session meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Lorraine E. Leslie
Township Manager

(*NOTE: These minutes were transcribed from notes and recordings and should not be considered official until approved by the Board of Supervisors at a public meeting).