

January 6, 2020

As advertised in the Standard Speaker newspaper, the Packer Township Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 6, 2020.

Cory Gerhard called the meeting to order and opened the meeting to the floor. No comments.

The minutes were approved with a motion from Robert Selert. Terry Davis seconded the motion and Cory Gerhard agreed. Vote of 3-0.

Ordinances and Resolutions – The Packer Township Planning Commission met on December 17th to provide comments on AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PACKER, CARBON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF PACKER TOWNSHIP, KNOWN AS THE PACKER TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE, PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA FACILITIES. The ordinance should be updated to include Growers/Processors. On Page 2-Number 4. B-1 Business District. Section 503.5 of Article V is listed in the Zoning Ordinance as Section 504.5. While this may be a mistake in the original ordinance, this amendment should remain consistent with it. No action was taken this evening. Bob Yurchak will advise as to the next step for the ordinance.

Reports of Officials and Committees –

Martin Cichowic – Permit/Zoning officer – During the month of December, more than 22 calls (e-Mails - texts) and personal contacts were received. Made 2 site visits to assist property owners relative to set-backs and structure restrictions required by Zoning / UCC Requirements. Made 3 site visits to current projects / construction.

Currently have 1 open building inquiries and 1 open Agricultural inquiry waiting on additional information from applicants. Also, I am requesting direction on how the Twp wishes to pursue swimming pool enforcement. A total of 19 sites over the years have been reported. Attended Broad Mountain Power / Liberty Power / Algonquin Energy zoning hearing. Continued investigation on Suravicz complaint. Currently waiting on information from Robert Yurchak and subsequent review.

Barry Isett & Associates, Inc.- Code Enforcement Officer – No report.

Bill Brior – Sewage Enforcement Officer – Absent, no report.

Old Business – Robert Selert asked if we've received any correspondence from the Weatherly Borough regarding the fire protection agreement. Stephanie had not. Bob said if we have not received anything within 7-10 days he asked that a letter be written for further information.

New Business – Cory Gerhard made a motion to appoint Robert Selert as delegate to the Carbon County Tax Collection Committee. Terry Davis seconded the motion and Robert Selert agreed. Vote 3-0 Robert Selert made a motion to appoint Terry Davis as the alternate to the Carbon County Tax Collection Committee. Cory Gerhard seconded the motion and Terry Davis agreed. Vote 3-0 Cory said the township is currently looking into setting up a low cost website. Stephanie has looked at PSATS and will look into other options for a website. By the middle of the year we should have something in place. Terry Davis said he will be working with Carbon Engineering to start looking at the roads to find out what would need to be done, sooner than what we did last year.

Stephanie received a letter from Ava Bretzik, Director and Curator of the Asa Packer Mansion Museum, asking that any signs or other "Packer" items that are no longer needed by the Township, be donated to the museum. A letter was received from Wells Fargo regarding the Joseph Andreuzzi Family Foundation with a check for \$10,000 to be used for the purposes of the Andreuzzi Packer Community Park.

Sue Gerhard submitted a notice in regards to the fire protection agreement, inconsideration of the fire services, Packer Township pledges to pay to the General Fund of the Borough of Weatherly \$1,358.33 per month beginning January 1, 2020. This is a one year contract. This matter was tabled for review.

Bob Selert said that the Secretary has expressed attending the PSATS convention in May. Stephanie will provide more details on the cost of attendance. He feels one of the Supervisors should also attend because it is a great networking event that we should take part in.

Cory Gerhard made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Terry Davis seconded the motion and Robert Selert agreed. Vote 3-0

Robert Selert made a motion to sign and approve the checks drafted and Cory Gerhard seconded the motion. Terry Davis agreed. Vote 3-0

Cory Gerhard made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Terry Davis seconded the motion. Robert Selert agreed. Vote 3-0

The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m. A total of 21 residents attended the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Stephanie Stolpe, Packer Township Secretary/Treasurer