

**BIRMINGHAM TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES
JUNE 3, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:30 PM in the Township Building by Chairman Boorse with the pledge of allegiance. A quorum of Supervisors was declared.

Scott Boorse - Chairman
J. Daniel Hill - Supervisor

Absent was Vice-Chairman Michael Shiring.

Supervisor Hill moved to approve the May 6, 2019 minutes as written. Chairman Boorse seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

Supervisor Hill moved to approve the bills submitted for payment since the May 6th meeting. General Fund bills totaled \$55,374.54. Sewer Fund bills totaled \$39,587.50. Chairman Boorse seconded the motion and the bills were approved.

HARB REPORT

ROCCA/800 BIRMINGHAM ROAD/SHED REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT

At its meeting on May 22nd, HARB recommended that a Certificate of Appropriateness be issued to Matt and Beth Rocca for the removal and replacement of a shed on their property located at 800 Birmingham Road. The new shed will be placed in a new location as shown on the site plan. The shed will measure 24' x 24' and will feature 1" thick board and batten siding. Barn doors are located on the east and south sides of the building, with a single entry door also on the east side. All sides of the building feature either 9 or 12-light windows. All siding, doors and window trim will be finished in Behr's Bard Red solid stain. The roof is standing seam metal and will be left unpainted (silver). HARB reviewed the application and determined that it is in compliance with the HARB Guidelines.

Mr. Rocca explained to the Board that the existing shed is rotten and the windows are broken out of it. It sits about two feet from the Gates Property at 1031 Country Club Road. It will be torn down and replaced with a new shed (pole barn) that will be built on site and comply with the setback requirements.

Supervisor Hill moved to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for Matt and Beth Rocca for a new shed on their property located at 800 Birmingham Road. Chairman Boorse seconded the motion which was approved.

BIRMINGHAM FRIENDS MEETING/1245 BIRMINGHAM ROAD/SIGN

At its meeting on May 22nd, HARB recommended that a Certificate of Appropriateness be issued to Birmingham Friends Meeting, 1245 Birmingham Road, for the removal and replacement of the existing graveyard identification sign at the Orthodox Graveyard (across from 1245 Birmingham Road) behind the wrought iron fence, four feet to the right of the gate. The new

sign will be cast aluminum, measuring 18" high and 24" wide with a baked black enamel background and a white border. Letters will each measure 2 ¼" x 1 ½" and will also be white. The sign post will be 2" x 8' galvanized steel, with a baked black enamel finish. HARB reviewed the application and determined that it is in compliance with the HARB Guidelines.

Chris Lang was present on behalf of the Birmingham Friends Meeting.

Chairman Boorse asked what the height of the sign would be? Mr. Lang responded that it would not exceed 6 ½'.

Mr. Lang provided some history on the Orthodox Graveyard. There were two Meeting houses which split in the 1820's. The Orthodox Meeting house was across the street at 1270 Birmingham Road. The Orthodox Meeting dissolved and the cemetery was given back to the Birmingham Friends Meeting.

Supervisor Hill moved to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for Birmingham Friends Meeting for the Orthodox Graveyard Sign as recommended by HARB with the addition to the Certificate of Appropriateness that the finished elevation for the top of the sign will not exceed 6 ½'. Chairman Boorse seconded the motion which was approved.

Mr. Lang informed the Board that the Birmingham Friends Meeting was working on a new sign for the property at 1245 Birmingham Road as the existing sign is made of wood and is small and deteriorating. They are looking at a larger sign with the ability to change the sign messages and which will also be safe for sight distance. Mr. Lang does not anticipate having it ready for the June HARB meeting.

RECREATION, PARK AND OPEN SPACE (RPOS) REPORT **SIGNAGE**

Anne Siemer, RPOS Chairman, said that RPOS has been working on an additional sign insert for the existing frames at Sandy Hollow Park and Birmingham Hill. This is a fiberglass insert which can be changed and rotated between the frames. RPOS has collaborated with the Historical Commission on the signage which will be prepared by Pannier. RPOS budgeted \$500.00 for signage. The sign insert is estimated to cost \$417.00, including delivery.

RPOS Chairman Siemer acknowledged the efforts of RPOS Secretary Judy Jensen for her work on the project and ensuring that the wording and pictures were crisp and clear. She also acknowledged the contribution of pictures from Supervisor Dan Hill and Rick Pettine who took pictures during the re-enactment in 2017.

Supervisor Hill noted that there was an issue with the QR Code not working on the map. Chairman Siemer will make sure the link is working with the webmaster.

Chairman Boorse moved to approve the budgeted RPOS funds for the sign insert. Supervisor Hill seconded the motion which was approved.

RPOS Chairman Siemer reported that the Birmingham Hill trail has been moved to the south side of Meetinghouse Road. RPOS needs to make sure there are no obstructions on the trail and that all stumps have been removed and trail markers relocated. She will advise MAJIC Landscaping of the trail location for mowing. She also needs to talk to the Worth family about the fencing that was installed on their property for the original trail.

DOG WASTE STATION

RPOS Chairman Siemer said that RPOS is recommending the installation of a second dog waste station along the Sandy Hollow Park trail at the north end of South New Street Road. The existing dog waste station is often full and with human trash as well. Brian Matuszewski noticed a lot of poop bags that had been thrown into the adjacent Spackman property when he was removing a downed tree for the Township. The cost would be \$449.95 for the purchase and installation and the cost to remove the dog waste from both locations would be \$38.00/week.

Chairman Boorse suggested that the waste station be located across from the Birmingham Hunt development where there is an existing group of three trees.

Chairman Boorse moved to approve the purchase of a second dog waste station for Sandy Hollow Park along South New Street Road at the bottom of the hill for a cost of \$449.95 installed and with the weekly removal fee to increase to \$38.00/week. Supervisor Hill seconded the motion which was approved.

AUTHORIZE ADVERTISING FOR BBD, LLP TO PERFORM 2019 AUDIT

BBD, LLP has provided a proposal for services to prepare the 2019 audit at a cost of \$5,000.00, which has been the same cost since their first audit prepared for the fiscal year 2014.

Chairman Boorse moved to authorize advertising to consider a resolution at the July 8th meeting for the appointment of the certified accounting firm of BBD, LLP to make an examination of all Township accounts for the fiscal year 2019 and to prepare a report to the Supervisors for a fee of \$5,000.00. Supervisor Hill seconded the motion which was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Nicholas Ranalli, 1160 West Street Road, was at the May 6th Township meeting asking the Board for help with the reduction of the speed limit on Rt. 926 near Creek Road. He was advised to reach out to State Representative Carolyn Comitta as Rt. 926 is a State Road. He sent Representative Comitta an e-mail but he has had no response and he's asking for the Township's help again. He also provided the Board with pictures of compact 11" radar signs which are used in New Jersey and were purchased through grant money which he was hoping could be done in Birmingham. He said that he also stopped at PennDOT's District 6 office for help and he was referred back to the township for help with speeding. He said that the ingress and egress from his property is an on-going issue.

Chief Nelling said that the Birmingham Hunt development is purchasing their own signs to post in their development. Birmingham Township has owned two such signs but they have been busted and vandalized. Normally a public works department would install signs. He said it can't be the job of the police officers to install and rotate the location of signs.

Scott Boorse acknowledged that enforcing the speed is a township issue but he stated that there is only so much that the Township can do when there is only one police officer to handle the entire township. He volunteered to contact Representative Comitta for a follow up to Mr. Ranalli's e-mail and request for help.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM. (SCB;JDH)

Respectfully submitted,

Quina Nelling
Secretary/Treasurer

Check Register**BIRMINGHAM TOWNSHIP**

16-May-19

Check No	Check Date	Vendor No	Vendor Name	Check Amount
TRUMARK GENERAL FUND				
19866	5/16/2019	1001950	CARA M FITZPATRICK	\$150.00
19867	5/16/2019	560	DRUGSCAN, INC.	\$336.00
19868	5/16/2019	422	HARRY TILLMAN AUTOMOTIVE L	\$261.98
19869	5/16/2019	517	INDEPENDENCE BLUE CROSS	\$5,321.51
19870	5/16/2019	1002525	LANCO SHEDS INC	\$105.00
19871	5/16/2019	1001755	MAJIC LANDSCAPES	\$1,457.00
19872	5/16/2019	1002526	MCDONALD UNIFORMS CO INC	\$1,107.98
19873	5/16/2019	205	PARKWAY DRY CLEANERS, INC.	\$162.01
19874	5/16/2019	30	PECO ENERGY (TRAFFIC LIGHT)	\$54.45
19875	5/16/2019	811	S & S CLEANING SERVICE	\$478.00
19876	5/16/2019	1001833	STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAG	\$270.87
19877	5/16/2019	426	THE WATER GUY	\$5.68
19878	5/16/2019	1002392	TRI-COUNTY PEST CONTROL IN	\$100.00
Bank Totals:				\$9,810.48
Total Of Checks:				\$9,810.48

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16-May-19

Check No	Check Date	Vendor No	Vendor Name	Check Amount
TRUMARK SEWER FUND				
9820	5/16/2019	1001755	MAJIC LANDSCAPES	\$351.00
9821	5/16/2019	1002392	TRI-COUNTY PEST CONTROL IN	\$60.00
9822	5/16/2019	586	VERIZON 450-748-892-0001-25	\$60.76
9823	5/16/2019	1001834	WM P MCGOVERN INC	\$720.00
Bank Totals:				\$1,191.76
Total Of Checks:				\$1,191.76

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20-May-19

Check No	Check Date	Vendor No	Vendor Name	Check Amount
TRUMARK GENERAL FUND				
19879	5/20/2019	1001926	AJ BLOSENSKI, INC.	\$161.00
19880	5/20/2019	1002154	VERIZON 250-441-074-0001-11	\$56.65
Bank Totals:				\$217.65
Total Of Checks:				\$217.65

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28-May-19

Check No	Check Date	Vendor No	Vendor Name	Check Amount
TRUMARK GENERAL FUND				
19881	5/28/2019	1001913	VERIZON WIRELESS 722423083	\$189.13
Bank Totals:				\$189.13
Total Of Checks:				\$189.13

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03-Jun-19

Check No	Check Date	Vendor No	Vendor Name	Check Amount
TRUMARK GENERAL FUND				
19882	6/3/2019	642	ALPHA SPACE CONTROL CO.,IN	\$10,880.00
19883	6/3/2019	80	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA	\$105.35
19884	6/3/2019	1002400	AXON ENTERPRISE, INC.	\$296.00
19885	6/3/2019	366	BUCKLEY,BRION,MCGUIRE ATTY	\$2,216.05
19886	6/3/2019	873	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	\$221.23
19887	6/3/2019	66	CCATO	\$250.00
19888	6/3/2019	529	CHRISTY MOBILE	\$100.00
19889	6/3/2019	1002121	CLEVENS K-9 SCOOP LLC	\$84.00
19890	6/3/2019	1001902	COMCAST CABLE	\$106.85
19891	6/3/2019	1002011	FRANCOTYP-POSTALIA INC	\$237.00
19892	6/3/2019	1001930	FRY COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	\$87.00
19893	6/3/2019	46	GALLS, LLC	\$161.13
19894	6/3/2019	21	H. A. THOMSON	\$273.00
19895	6/3/2019	422	HARRY TILLMAN AUTOMOTIVE L	\$1,147.24
19896	6/3/2019	6	INNOVATIVE CONSTRUCTION SE	\$6,023.60
19897	6/3/2019	711	JUDY JENSEN	\$31.74
19898	6/3/2019	1001755	MAJIC LANDSCAPES	\$1,669.00
19899	6/3/2019	1002526	MCDONALD UNIFORMS CO INC	\$1,657.63
19900	6/3/2019	542	METRO TECHNOLOGY SERVICE	\$2,126.00
19901	6/3/2019	1002053	MICHAEL J HOCHHAUS	\$250.00
19902	6/3/2019	178	PAGE EXCAVATING COMPANY,I	\$450.00
19903	6/3/2019	171	REILLY & SONS INC.	\$1,836.62
19904	6/3/2019	1001924	ULINE	\$91.14
19905	6/3/2019	23	VANDEMARK & LYNCH, INC.	\$14,382.30
19906	6/3/2019	61	VERIZON 753-804-167-0001-77	\$354.40
19907	6/3/2019	1002102	WIGGINS SHREDDING INC	\$120.00
Bank Totals:				\$45,157.28
Total Of Checks:				\$45,157.28

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03-Jun-19

Check No	Check Date	Vendor No	Vendor Name	Check Amount
TRUMARK SEWER FUND				
9824	6/3/2019	149	AECOM	\$14,959.19
9825	6/3/2019	1002509	AQUA PA WW	\$1,309.10
9826	6/3/2019	80	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA	\$1,324.49
9827	6/3/2019	366	BUCKLEY,BRION,MCGUIRE ATTY	\$30.00
9828	6/3/2019	1001755	MAJIC LANDSCAPES	\$468.00
9829	6/3/2019	1002527	REYBOLD CONSTRUCT TECH, LL	\$14,276.03
9830	6/3/2019	1002493	VERIZON 350-442-985-0001-57	\$40.94
9831	6/3/2019	1002401	WALTON WATER SERVICES	\$5,659.68
9832	6/3/2019	574	WASTE MANAGEMENT OF SOUT	\$78.31
9833	6/3/2019	821	WILLIAM J KIRKPATRICK	\$250.00
9834	6/3/2019	1001834	WM P MCGOVERN INC	\$4,102.00
Bank Totals:				\$42,497.74
Total Of Checks:				\$42,497.74

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