

**PARADISE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 23, 2022**

Call to Order

Vice Chair Briglia called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Briglia led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Public Comment Statement

Briglia read the public comment statement "*Ladies and gentlemen, before the Board of Supervisors votes on any matter, the Board will allow for public comment on that particular item. If you wish to be heard at that time, please raise your hand, and you will be recognized*".

Briglia stated that the meeting is being recorded for the limited purpose of preparing the official minutes.

Roll Call

Officials Present:

Peter Gonze – Chair (Absent)

Reda Briglia – Vice Chair

Michael Stein – Supervisor

John C. Prevoznik – Solicitor

Charles Unangst – Engineer (Absent)

Tina Transue – Secretary

Approval of Minutes

**Motion:** Stein moved and seconded by Briglia to approve the February 7, 2022 Board of Supervisors regular meeting minutes as presented.

***Motion carried 2-0.***

Treasurer's Report

Transue read the Treasurer's Report.

**Motion:** Stein moved and seconded by Briglia to accept the February 23, 2022 Treasurer's Report.

***Motion carried 2-0.***

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### Unfinished Business

*EAC/Knauf Preserve/Any Action* – The Board briefly discussed directing Hanover Engineering to review the Knauf Preserve as a potential site for a handicap accessible trail.

**Motion:** Stein moved and seconded by Briglia to request Hanover Engineering to evaluate the Knauf Preserve hiking trail as a potential site for a handicap and/or wheelchair accessible trail and for Hanover Engineering to submit a proposal with construction requirements and potential costs for the project.

***Motion carried 2-0.***

*Mount Airy Traffic Study/Any Action* – The Board discussed the Mount Airy traffic study and the best conditions/time for that study to be conducted. The time to complete the original traffic study has been the subject of several extensions, the last being granted until September 30, 2022. Briglia stated that the purpose of the study was to review traffic conditions when Mount Airy is at its busiest time. She noted that there are several concerts scheduled at Mount Airy in 2022. The currently advertised dates are April 22, July 2, September 3, October 14, and December 2, 2022.

**Motion:** Stein moved and seconded by Briglia to send a letter to Mount Airy requesting that Mount Airy perform the traffic study required by the Conditional Use Decision and Order the week of September 3, 2022. If additional time to finalize the report is necessary, Mount Airy may request another extension to complete the report. Ms. Transue will tell Mr. Unangst to reach out the Mount Airy traffic engineer to reinforce Mount Airy's obligation to perform the traffic study in accordance with the requirements of the Conditional Use Decision and Order.

***Motion carried 2-0.***

### New Business

*Spring Clean Up Ad/Approve* – Briglia stated that Transue prepared the ad for the Spring Clean Up Bids to be advertised in the *Pocono Record* on Monday, February 28, 2022, and Monday, March 7, 2022.

**Motion:** Stein moved and seconded by Briglia to approve advertising the ad in the *Pocono Record* for Spring Clean Up Bids for the dates of Monday, February 28, 2022, and Monday, March 7, 2022.

***Motion carried 2-0.***

*Capital Equipment Reallocation/Any Action* – Transue stated that Roadmaster Mader reported that he spoke to Trina Marencin, from Hunter Pocono Peterbilt. Ms. Marencin stated that the 2022 Peterbilt, which was ordered by the Township on December 28, 2021, will not be received until 2023. Mader questioned whether he could order other equipment in lieu of the Peterbilt this year and put the Peterbilt back on the budget for 2023. Transue is to notify Mader to prepare a list with pricing of the equipment that the Township road crew would like to purchase.

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*Bake Sale on Election Day/Any Action* – Transue stated that she was contacted by Sheila Bortree, from the Willing Workers, to request permission to hold their bake sale at the Paradise Township fire station during elections this year. The Board discussed directing the Willing Workers to contact Fire Chief Logan Evans from Mt. Pocono Volunteer Fire Company for approval to hold the Bake Sale during Primary Election on May 17, 2022, held at the Paradise Township fire station.

*Potential Live Streaming Meetings/Committees/Discuss* – Stein proposed researching the cost of equipment to live stream Board of Supervisor meetings as well as committee meetings such as Environmental Advisory Council and Planning Commission meetings. The Board discussed several options to accomplish that goal. Transue will research options and report back to the Board.

*Act 167 Stormwater Ordinance from MCCD/Discuss/Any Action* – The Board discussed the Act 167 Stormwater Ordinance submitted to the Townships by Monroe County Conservation District (MCCD) for comment. Stein stated that he spoke to Craig Todd who is a MCCD Board member. Stein further related that Mr. Todd stated that this is a draft ordinance to revise the stormwater management of the Brodhead and McMichaels watersheds. It was noted that the comments on the draft Ordinance were due by the beginning of March. The Board discussed that it would not give the Township enough time to review and get back with comments. Since this is a proposed Ordinance, the Board felt that no action was necessary at this time.

### Reports

*Solicitor* - Solicitor Prevoznik updated the Board on the letter written and sent to Versalift regarding the Versalift's request to pass on cost increases over the previously agreed upon price for the bucket truck ordered on September 9, 2021.

*Engineer* – No report.

*Zoning Officer* – The Board discussed the Zoning Officer's Report.

*PMREMS* – No report.

*EAC* – Stein reported that the EAC met on Wednesday, February 16, 2022. Stein summarized the meeting for the Board. Stein stated he would forward the draft minutes from the meeting to the Supervisors.

### Other Business/Public Comment

None.

### Correspondence/Miscellaneous

None.

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### Executive Session

**Motion:** Stein moved and seconded by Briglia to recess the regular meeting and go into an executive session.

***Motion carried 2-0.***

**Motion:** Stein moved and seconded by Briglia to reconvene the regular meeting.

***Motion carried 2-0.***

Solicitor Prevoznik stated that the Executive Session started at 6:31 p.m. and ended at 7:11 p.m. and Supervisors Briglia and Stein were in attendance. Solicitor Prevoznik stated that legal strategy regarding an enforcement action which is currently before the Zoning Hearing Board was discussed. No decisions were made.

### Adjournment

**Motion:** Stein moved and seconded by Briglia to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

***Motion carried 2-0.***

Respectfully submitted,

*Tina Transue*

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Secretary