

**PARADISE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 30, 2023**

Call to Order

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Gonze led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Public Comment Statement

Gonze 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*".

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

Special Note

Gonze announced that to meet the requirements established by the Office of Open Records for virtual meetings, this meeting is being audio and video recorded via Zoom from the initial announcement of the meeting until its end. The meeting Zoom link was posted on the Township's website where the public may join the Zoom meeting, interact, and ask questions in real time.

Roll Call

Officials Present:

Peter Gonze – Chair
Reda Briglia – Vice Chair
Michael Stein – Supervisor

John C. Prevoznik – Solicitor
Charles Unangst – Engineer
Tina Transue – Secretary

Executive Session

Solicitor Prevoznik stated that an Executive Session was held and all three Supervisors were present. The Executive Session started at 5:32 p.m. and ended at 5:36 p.m., prior to this meeting. Solicitor Prevoznik stated that he advised the Board regarding the legal standards for standing and party participation as it relates to Conditional Use. No decisions were made.

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Motion: Briglia moved and Stein seconded to recess the special meeting and open the Conditional Use hearing at 6:02 p.m.

Motion carried 3-0.

Public Hearing

Solicitor Prevoznik read the Notice of Public Hearing for JSPA Realty, LLC for a Conditional Use approval for a Master Development Plan in the Resort Development Overlay District in accordance with Section 160-11(43.B) of the Township's Zoning Ordinance. The public hearing was advertised in the *Pocono Record* on January 16, 2023, and January 23, 2023. Solicitor Prevoznik stated that there was a two-hour time limit on the hearing. Solicitor Prevoznik announced that additional hearings will be held on February 23, 2023, March 9, 2023, and March 16, 2023, from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at the Pocono Mountain East High School Auditorium, 231 Pocono Mountain School Road, Swiftwater, PA, 18370.

The transcript will be prepared by Donna Kenderdine Reporting.

Motion: Stein moved and Briglia seconded to continue the Public Hearing to a time and date certain of February 23, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Pocono Mountain East High School Auditorium, 231 Pocono Mountain School Road, Swiftwater, PA, 18370.

Motion carried 3-0.

Motion: Briglia moved and Stein seconded to reconvene the regular meeting at 9:06 p.m.

Motion carried 3-0.

New Business

Bucket Truck/Municibid/Any Action – Transue stated that an opening bid of \$20,000.00 was received on the Municibid site for the 2004 Ford bucket truck, however, the reserve was not met. The Board discussed accepting the bid received.

Motion: Stein moved and Briglia seconded to award the bid of \$20,000.00 to Brian Thornton contingent on receiving a certified bank check, money order, or wire transfer in that amount and that the check clears the bank before taking possession of the truck.

Motion carried 3-0.

2024 Utility Truck/Any Action – Gonze stated that the Roadmaster was notified that the 2023 GMC Sierra 2500HD utility truck ordered by the Township, would not be delivered due to manufacturing issues and the Roadmaster received a new quote for a 2024 GMC Sierra 2500HD utility truck.

Motion: Stein moved and Briglia seconded to approve the purchase of a 2024 GMC Sierra 2500HD truck and utility body for a price of not more than \$91,000.00 contingent on receiving verified CoStars pricing.

Motion carried 3-0.

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Letter from Peterbilt/Any Action – The Board received a letter from Peterbilt regarding its cancelation of the Township's order placed on December 16, 2021, for a 2022 Peterbilt.

Motion: Stein moved and Briglia seconded to accept the letter from Peterbilt regarding its cancelation of the Township's order for a 2022 Peterbilt.

Motion carried 3-0.

Alternate Location for Hawthorne CU Hearing Continuance/Any Action – The Board set three additional dates and times to hold the JSPA Realty, LLC Conditional Use Hearing and approved advertising same.

The continued hearings will be held at the Pocono Mountain East High School Auditorium on February 23, 2023, March 9, 2023, and March 16, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

Motion: Stein moved and Briglia seconded to ratify the setting and advertising of three additional dates and times to hold the JSPA Realty, LLC Conditional Use Hearing. The continued hearings will be held at the Pocono Mountain East High School Auditorium on February 23, 2023, March 9, 2023, and March 16, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

Motion carried 3-0.

Correspondence/Miscellaneous

Resident Anthony Calderone was in attendance to make a request to the Board to have the traffic light at the intersection of Route 940 and Route 390 checked for cycling issues. Mr. Calderone stated that when he was at the traffic light in the early a.m. that the light stays red for a long period of time. The Board agreed to have the Roadmaster look into it.

Adjournment

Motion: Briglia moved and seconded Stein to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m.

Motion carried 2-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Transue

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Secretary