

PARADISE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORK SESSION MINUTES
JUNE 5, 2023 AT 4:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Peter Gonze, Reda Briglia, Mike Stein, Tina Transue, Charles Unangst, Steve Dellinger, and Solicitor Prevoznik.

Gonze called the work session to order at 4:00 p.m.

Discuss the Concept of Public Sewer and Water Along the Route 611 Corridor

Dave Horton from the Brodhead Creek Regional Authority (BCRA) gave a presentation on the concept of installing water and sewer utilities along the Route 611 corridor. Mr. Horton explained the benefits of upgrading the infrastructure on Route 611 to connect the commercial corridors between Pocono, Paradise, and Tobyhanna Townships. Mr. Horton identified Pocono Township, Paradise Township, Brodhead Creek Regional Authority, Monroe County, Brodhead Watershed Association (BWA), as well as current and/or future developers as stakeholders in the proposed sewer and water infrastructure project. Mr. Horton stated that grant funding would be sought to fund the project. Representatives from JSPA Realty, Mount Airy Casino, Empire Real Estate & Development, BWA, Monroe County, and several Paradise Township residents participated in the discussion regarding the proposed project. Mr. Horton stated that his next step was to determine whether the stakeholders were willing to proceed to the "next step" to create a viable path forward for the project.

Discuss Open Space Priorities

The Board discussed the recommended changes to the Open Space Priority document from the Environmental Advisory Council. The Board discussed contacting Christine Meinhart-Fritz, from the Monroe County Planning Commission, regarding the future use and/or purchase of Open Space properties in the Township.

Adjournment

Briglia adjourned the work session at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Transue

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Secretary