Moore Township Board of Supervisors 2491 Community Drive Bath, PA 18014 May 6, 2025

The Regular Monthly Meeting for the Moore Township Board of Supervisors (BOS) was called to order on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, by Chairman Daniel Piorkowski at 6:00 PM. The meeting was conducted at the municipal building. Members present were Chairman Daniel Piorkowski, Vice Chairman David Shaffer, Supervisor Michael Tirrell, Township Manager Stephen Nowroski, Township Solicitor David Backenstoe, and Township Engineer Kevin Horvath from Keystone Consulting Engineers (KCE).

Mr. Robert Eyer introduced himself as he is running for Northampton County Judge.

#### WAIVERS & DEFERALS

# #25-02P Lehigh Solar

Section 260-39.I.4b — Unless the center lines are directly aligned, the center line of a non-residential driveway at the point of access to a street shall not be located closer than 300' to a street intersection involving an arterial road. The request is for 150' Andy Miller, Jared Keller, and Brian O'Neil were present to show plans to the BOS.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve waiver request for Section 260-39. I.4b from the 300' offset requirement subject to condition that the applicant and the property owner enter a Indemnification Agreement — hold harmless agreements defending the township from all Liability in the event something could occur because of this intersection.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion.

**Public comment** 

None

Motion carried.

Section 260-39.I.6a - Driveways for multifamily residential, mobile home parks and all non-residential subdivisions and developments shall not exceed 30 feet in width at the road right-a-way line and shall be clearly defined by use of curbing.

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to approve the waiver for Section 260-39.I.6a for no curbing. Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion.

**Public comment** 

None

Motion carried.

Section 250-57(A) -A preliminary plan shall be submitted for all major land developments.

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to approve the waiver for Section 250-57(A) Preliminary/Final Plan. Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion.

**Public comment** 

None

Motion carried.

Section 241-13.I(3)(b) - Proposed infiltration facilities shall meet minimum horizontal isolation distances in accordance with the section (e.g. 40 feet from a property boundary line, 50 feet from a septic system drain field).

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the waiver for Section 241-13.I(3)(b) - infringement for the minimal horizontal distance between the infrastructure facility and the property line of a required

40' to a proposed 0 and a septic system drain field which required 50' to a proposed 32' subject to verification of all applicable DEP regulations as approved by our engineer Mr. Horvath.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion.

**Public comment** 

None

Motion carried.

#### SUB-DIVISIONS AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

Faust HVAC – Addition – Recommendation to Reduce Financial Security and Commence Maintenance Period

Mr. Horvath recommended releasing the financial security by \$94,566.66 to \$16,688.19 and commence the 18-month maintenance period. The remaining will be released upon completion and acceptance of the maintenance period.

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to release the \$94,566.66 to Faust HVAC per the 18-month improvements cycle.

Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion

**Public comment** 

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

#23-12-Arthofer/Solar Renewable Energy Land Development- Extension of Time

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the extension of time for #23-12-Arthofer/Solar Renewable Energy Land Development

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

**Public comment** 

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

#### **REGULAR BUSINESS**

**MINUTES** 

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve one set of minutes from April 1, 2025.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

**Public comment** 

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to approve the Financial Report

Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion

**Public comment** 

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

## PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

GF-\$191,975.92 LF-\$16,348.70 Open Space-\$12,637.73 Community Days-\$2,355.16

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to pay the bills

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

**Public comment** 

None

## Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

## APPROVE PAYROLL

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to approve the payroll
Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion
Public comment
None
Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

# **Towing Provider Resolution**

**OLD BUSINESS** 

The BOS decided that the towing providers need to be a township business. They will also need to fill out an annual application to go through the process of being compliant. The names will not be announced in the resolution since companies can change. Nick from Hoss Towing questioned if that put him out of being an option for the township. The BOS stated that another tow company in the township applied, and the BOS voted to keep the business options within. The application will be due October 31st for the following year. IT was questioned if state police guidelines were what the township was following, BOS replied there are no guidelines on pen sizes, and it was quoted what is required. Nicole Romanishan questioned if there was a requirement on how long you needed to be in business before applying, the answer was there is no requirement for that. This would also be a rotating schedule like in the past.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-11 Towing Providers

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

**Public comment** 

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Gary West read the April 2025 report.

## FIRE & AMBULANCE

Mr. Jason Harhart read the April 2025 report.

## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Mr. Hoffman stated there will be pipe replacement on Delps Rd. and it will be closed at various times.

## FIRST REGIONAL COMPOST AUTHORITY (FRCA)

Mr. Hoffman stated FRCA will not take ornamental grass, the township does not allow them to be dumped. They are going to start checking more to make sure it is residents that are dumping, there are a lot of issues with people who are not residents using our facility.

# NAZARETH COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (COG)

Mr. Harhart stated the only thing discussed was Lower Nazareth is having issues with cyber security and asking what company we use.

## **RECREATION COMMISSION**

Jodi Hartzell stated Playground in the Park is set for June 13th-August 8th only on Fridays from 10am-2:30pm. The signs for the trails in the rec center being done by an Eagle Scout are almost complete and placed. Jodi is requesting the BOS to approve moving forward with the orienteering project for the rec center. It will consist of posts with map brochures.

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to approve moving forward with the Orienteering Project

Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion

**Public comment** 

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

## HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Mr. Nowroski stated the renovation on the school floor is scheduled to start May7th. Additionally, the committee received a photo of the original recreation committee and the plans for the recreation center.

# LAND & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARD (LEPB)

Mr. Shaffer stated the newsletter was turned in on time and the next meeting will be Monday at 7pm.

#### COMMUNITY DAYS COMMITTEE

Ms. Kerbacher reported Concert in the Park will start June 28th and the band will be South Penn Dixie.

## **ZONING AND BUILDING OFFICER**

Mr. Harhart submitted his April report and noted that the PC meeting will be held June 23rd.

## TOWNSHIP ENGINEER

Mr. Horvath spoke of the MS4 basins that will need to be completed. A lot of the work can be completed by the Township's Public Works Dept. The rest of the work will need to be bid out. Mr. Horvath questioned the BOS about how they would like him to proceed with the bidding. Mr. Nowroski recommended moving forward with bidding determined by KCE on what the Public Works Department can complete.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to move forward with bidding determined by KCE on what the public works can and cannot complete.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

**Public comment** 

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

## TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR

Attorney Backenstoe gave the BOS an update on the warehouse they've presented in Harrisburg in front of a 3-judge panel. The warehouse plans have been denied multiple times. Once a determination is made, he will report to the BOS.

## **TOWNSHIP MANAGER**

Mr. Nowroski is requesting to have a feasibility study done of the current KRVFC building to evaluate combining the Township Building, including the Police Department, with the Fire Company into one building. The study would be done by Boyle Construction and Alloy 5, who had previously completed the feasibility study for renovating the current Township Building. By combining buildings, it could lower renovation costs and open the door for more grant funding. The study will be \$13,500. Erik Resch from KRVFC said the board is in agreement with moving forward with the study.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to move forward with the feasibility study by Boyle Construction and Alloy 5 on the KRVFC building.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

**Public comment** 

None

## Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

Mr. Nowroski also spoke of the Grow NORCO grant offered by Northampton County, that he would like to apply for along with Mr. Hoffman. This would pertain to paving the Borek parking lot at the rec center.

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to approve Stephen and Craig applying for the NORCO grant to pave Borek.

Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion

**Public comment** 

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

## **RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES**

## Resolution 2025-12 EMC and Fire Chief Inspection Fees

This fee would cover time they use for site inspections, when requested by the planning commission; it would be paid from the developer's escrow.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to move forward with Resolution 2025-12 EMC and Fire Chief Inspection Fees.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

**Public comment** 

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

## **NEW BUSINESS**

CD \*3547 Renewal

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to renew the CD at 12 months and a 4.05% rate.

Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion

**Public comment** 

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

## **CORRESPONDENCE/MEMOS**

Jon Klardie- 2365 Beacon Road was attending to speak of open gunfire in the township. He has a neighbor that was shooting on his property with no proper backstop, the properties are close and small. The neighbor was operating the gun in an unsafe manner. Police were called and the neighbor did stop shooting. Mr. Klardie feels there should be a limit on how close you can fire a gun to an occupied building, especially with so many children in the area. As of now the township has no ordinances that cover this. Attorney Backenstoe stated it is hard to mess with gun laws in PA, but he can look to see what can be done. Another township resident stated instead of changing any legislature, if it happens again, the police should do reckless endangerment. It's one person and the legislation would affect everyone. Chief Gary West agreed the police would handle the nest issue should it happen again.

## **OPEN TO THE FLOOR**

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion
Public comment

Jamie Marchiano was also present and lives on Beacon road near this individual. She stated the man is living in an RV on the property and drives his dirt bike up and down Beacon road at a high rate of speed. She also stated herself and neighbors do not want to say anything directly to this man, out of fear. Another Resident questioned when Kuter Rd was going to be paved. Mr. Hoffman stated sometime this Summer. Mr. Piorkowski reminded people these things should be done in the section Open to the Floor, not after motions to adjourn.

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Yost

Township Secretary

Not intended to be word for word, but a synopsis of the meeting.