

**WRIGHTSTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES OF WORK SESSION OF MARCH 12, 2018**

The Wrightstown Township Board of Supervisors Work Session was called to order at 5:00 PM on March 12, 2018 by Chair Chester S. Pogonowski at the Wrightstown Township Municipal Building, 2203 Second Street Pike, Wrightstown, PA. In attendance were Vice Chair Jane B. Magne, Treasurer Robert Lloyd, Township Solicitor Terry Clemons and Township Manager Joseph F. Pantano.

BUSINESS

- A. Vataha Zoning Hearing Board Application.** Linda and John Vataha were present to discuss their Zoning Hearing Board application. The applicants are requesting relief from section A1.3a.(3) which allows 5 horses (grazing animals) on their 7.3-acre lot (one horse is equivalent to one grazing animal as defined in the zoning ordinance). They are requesting a variance to allow up to 10 miniature therapy horses in place of 5 full-size horses. A miniature horse weighs approximately 200 pounds as compared to a full-size horse weighing approximately 1200 pounds. The provisions in the existing zoning ordinance allow for other animals being equivalent to one grazing animal. Examples include one grazing animal being equivalent to five sheep or six goats. The miniature horses have a controlled diet and do not graze for sustenance. They are confined to an outdoor pen when not housed in the building. The issue will be on the March 19 agenda for the Board's recommendation to the Zoning Hearing Board.
- B. Wrightstown Farmers Market.** Mike and Robin Hoy were present to discuss the Wrightstown Farmers Market shed on the Township property. The Market would like to add an additional 18 square feet to the existing shed. The existing shed is 80 square feet. The Board had no objection to the proposal.
- C. Agenda of February 19, 2018.** The agenda was reviewed and discussed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were none.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Clemons reviewed proposed changes in the draft land development resolution for the Council Rock School District's Wrightstown Elementary School project. The Board had no

objections to the changes. Solicitor Clemons will make the appropriate revisions and circulate the revised resolution for review.

SUPERVISORS' COMMENTS

There were none.

MANAGER'S REPORT

- A. ARLE Traffic Signal Grant.** The contract for the traffic light work under the ARLE grant has been advertised and bids will be accepted until April 3. The engineers will review the bids and make a recommendation to the Board at the April 16 Board of Supervisors meeting.
- B. Liquid Fuels Audit.** The liquid fuels audit was conducted on February 22. The accounting for the funds and expenditures was in order. The auditor made a finding that the liquid fuels funds were deposited a week late. The Manager's response was that all required reports were submitted timely and the automatic fund transfer was PennDOT's responsibility. There are no financial consequences of the finding.
- C. West Nile Virus Program.** The Bucks County Department of Health is again requesting permission from the Township for its participation in the West Nile Virus prevention program. The Township has participated in this program for several years. No insecticide spraying will be performed at Anchor Run Farm. No treatment of any other Township property will be done without prior notification.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was an executive session following the meeting to discuss personnel issues.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Treasurer Lloyd, seconded by Vice Chair Magne, all voted to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph F. Pantano
Township Manager