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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

AGENDA

JULY 26, 2023

Call to Order 7:30 p.m.

1. Board's Announcements:
 - Buckingham Township Free Family Fun Concert Series continues every Thursday through August 17, 2023 at Hansell Park from 7pm-9pm.
2. Public Comment (Maximum 30 minutes)
3.
 - a. Consideration of approving Payment Request No. 17, to GS Developers for work completed on the **Cold Spring Wastewater System Upgrades, General Contract BT-21-04**, in the amount of \$90,000.00.
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Buckingham Township Board of Supervisors
Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the Buckingham Township Board of Supervisors was held on July 26, 2023 in the Township Building, 4613 Hughesian Drive, Buckingham, Pennsylvania.

Present:	Paul Calderaio	Chairman
	Jon Forest	Vice-Chairman
	Maggie Rash	Member
	Dana S. Cozza	Township Manager
	Daniel Gray	Township Engineer
	Craig A. Smith, Esquire	Township Solicitor
	Gary Weaver	Township Water/Wastewater Consultant

Not Present: Luke Rosanova Bucks County Planning Commission

Mr. Calderaio called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

BOARD'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Forest addressed the rumor of an Amazon warehouse coming to Buckingham. Mr. Forest noted a proposed parts storage facility plan has been submitted to the Township. According to the plan there is approximately thirty acres of open space with a facility of 30 bays. Mr. Forest noted that although he appreciates the proposal to preserve a large portion of the property, he cannot agree to a plan that could potentially bring 60 trucks going in and out every day. Mr. Forest noted of the site that the board of supervisors has worked hard to protect this area, even with it being zoned industrial. This Board stopped proposals for an auto auction house, a junk yard and an industrial park. And Mr. Forest noted he will continue to oppose uses that adversely affect our surrounding neighbors.

Turning to the Amazon rumor, Mr. Forest observed that most of the audience was there because of the Amazon lie. Mr. Forest stated that there was never a proposed Amazon warehouse for Buckingham. There never was an application, there never was a plan, there never was a discussion, there never was an approval by the planning commission or Board of Supervisors for an Amazon warehouse. The allegation that there was, was the fabrication of Mike Bateman, who is a running for Buckingham supervisor. Mr. Bateman even went so far to create a fake petition on change.org to "stop the Amazon warehouse." Unfortunately, he is running a campaign as a political arsonist who is pretending to be the fire fighter.

Mr. Forest recounted that the reason for me to address this tonight is because of the Amazon lie has caused the township staff to respond to hundreds of phone calls, address multiple "right to know requests", and make social media posts correcting the fabricated allegations. This use of township staff time costs the township taxpayers money that could be better spent elsewhere. Mr. Forest expressed his hope that this is not a continuation of the tactics of Mr. Bateman's top supporter, who has cost our taxpayers over \$80,000 for spurious and retaliatory Right to Know Requests.

Mr. Forest continued that local government and elections should be about neighbors helping neighbors. It shouldn't be about scaring one's neighbors or engaging in misleading political tactics more familiar to statewide and national races. Mr. Forest noted he has lived here his whole life and volunteered thousands of hours for the community. He observed he has never seen such low tactics, purposely spreading rumors and scaring the community. Mr. Forest questioned if a Supervisor aspirant does this as a candidate, what will he do as Supervisor?

Mr. Forest expressed he is proud of Buckingham township and the work he and his colleagues on the Board have done for Buckingham. Mr. Forest observed Buckingham has the lowest property taxes in Bucks County. The Board has preserved over 6500 acres of farmland and open space. Buckingham is one of the few townships in Pennsylvania that has a AAA bond rating because the Township is financially prudent. Over 18 years Mr. Forest noted he stopped an approved airport expansion across Stoney Lane. Mr. Forest noted this Board approved the Our Lady of Guadalupe church to be built after many years of run arounds. Mr. Forest advised the Chairman that he believes Buckingham's residents know how well this township is run. They live here because they know that Buckingham is a little slice of paradise. Mr. Forest concluded recognizing that it is his and the Board's responsibility to keep it that way.

Mrs. Rash announced that during this evening's work session the Board met with the Chief and President from the three fire companies who serve our township, Midway, Lingohocken and Doylestown. Mrs. Rash said that we all appreciate their service to the community, and stressed that they continue to need volunteers. She reminded everyone that only $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mill is provided to the fire companies from our taxes, and they depend on donations to continue servicing our community. Mr. Forest said newcomers to Buckingham Township may not realize that our firefighters are volunteers, and are not paid. He said the Buckingham Township police department is $\frac{1}{2}$ of the township budget at \$5 million dollars, and a Township paid fire company would cost \$7-8 million dollars.

Mr. Calderaio wanted to update the residents on the townships legal battle to represent them against a preserved property illegally operating a commercial mulching operation. Mr. Smith said the county and township filed a lawsuit several months ago seeking to stop the illegal mulching operation, which has created toxic air over the Devonshire neighborhood. The operation has had periodic fires creating smoke and general air quality issues that were so concerning that they closed Bridge Valley Elementary School one time. He explained the commercial mulching operation is not consistent with the conservation easement or the township zoning ordinance. Mr. Smith said the township has been involved in two days of court testimony so far, with a third day scheduled August 31st. Mrs. Rash thanked the neighbors in the Devonshire community who have helped monitor and fight this situation.

Mr. Calderaio made the following announcements:

- Buckingham Townships Free Family Fun Concert Series continues every Thursday through August 17, 2023 at Hansell Park from 7pm-9pm.

Mr. Calderaio stated the Board held an Executive Session prior to this meeting to discuss police personnel issues.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Bob Valimont, Ash Road, said he had three items to discuss. First that no parking signs along Holicong and Ash Roads are being ignored by persons who park and wait to pick up their kids from Holicong and Central Bucks East schools. He said signs had been posted previously due to fire trucks not being able to get through, and the police have been called. Mr. Valimont provided the board with a handout on curb markings that could be painted to improve safety. Mr. Gray suggested the township could also post “no standing” signs, but would need to approve an ordinance first to enforce it. Mr. Forest said the problem here is that people are not leaving their cars, so they are not “parked”. Mr. Smith agreed with the “no standing” signage and suggested the Vehicle Code may prohibit people in parked cars waiting to pick up their children. Mr. Valimont said the only way to stop this is to ticket them.

Mr. Valimont complimented the township on the recent newsletter. He said in reading about the new wastewater facility and viewing it from Route 263, he noted that there are no street trees or landscaping buffers planted as the township requires on all other improved properties. Mrs. Cozza said she had mentioned to Mr. Valimont that while plantings couldn't be installed in the field as it is used as a wastewater sprayfield, the existing hedgerow could be thickened. Mr. Calderaio said that our residents love looking at open space, and this property has both the open space and the preserved farmhouse.

Mr. Valimont said in regards to the proposed warehouse plan on Cold Spring Creamery Road, he was puzzled that at this early point the plan already has 81 sheets, and that he cannot think that anybody expects to get trucks onto Stony Lane and or Route 313 without making major road improvements. He said having lived here in the 70's, and for those who were not here, this seems like the applicant is setting things up for a curative amendment like happened in the 70s. He congratulated the Board on their vigilance and on a job well done.

Ms. Stephanie Weisser, Amberton Way, thanked Mr. Forest for addressing the warehouse situation questions, however she noted that while Mr. Bateman's facebook page has a picture of an Amazon warehouse, it did not specifically say that an Amazon warehouse was coming. Rather, the picture was only used as an example to alert the community of the possibility that this could happen. She said by sharing information the community works together to be more transparent about what's going on. She said the note posted on the township website was helpful, adding that no one she spoke to had seen it, but that she was alerted about the post from a news blast from the website.

Ms. Weisser proposed the township email updates to all of the residents and Mrs. Rash said that is what the website does, it blasts news articles to the residents who request notification and provide their email information. Mrs. Rash said the township also has a facebook page. Mr. Forest noted the warehouse project has been posted on the township website under “proposed development” since it was submitted in May.

Ms. Sharon Martin, Indian Springs Road, requested an update on the status of the Stonymead development dedication, as that is necessary before she and her neighbors can hook into the septic system. Mr. Gray said the homeowner's association had started conversions of the basins to close out the NPDES permit, which was a requirement of dedication. Mr. Smith said the documentation

has been prepared but needs to be signed by Mr. Trueblood, the homeowner's association and the estate that retains an interest in the public area. Mr. Smith advised the homeowner's attorney is working on getting that done. Mr. Gray said the Department of Environmental Protection has offered to separate the two lots under construction on Long Lane, but the lot on Kingfisher needs to be completed prior to dedication being accepted, and it should be completed this fall.

Ms. Leigh Vlasblom, Green Ridge Road, commented that the fire department requests a donation at Christmastime, and she gives her donation directly to the Santa fire truck that comes through the streets.

Ms. Vlasblom thanked the Board for working so diligently with the school district to get a school resource officer in place when school starts this fall. She also said in regards to the parking at the school, she could talk with the administration and ask them to send another communication to the parents reminding them that it is illegal to park along the streets.

Ms. Vlasblom thanked the board for providing an update on the warehouse project, and commented that no matter how much information is provided to people, they never feel it is enough.

Mr. John McHenry, Bedfordshire Road, said he doesn't have a lot of faith in politicians, but when we have local folk with integrity and honesty who work, raise a family, sleep and drink in our neighborhood, they will get his vote again and again and again.

Mr. Tom Chiccarole, Rosewood Drive, thanked Mr. Forest for his statement, and said after coming to the Board meetings for almost a year, he never heard anything about an Amazon warehouse. He said you must check things out for yourself. He said it's a danger of social media, sometimes based in facts, and sometimes not.

Ms. Jeanne Veronin, Miladies Lane, thanked the Board as said as she lives beside the airport The rumor that Stony Lane would be closed due to airport expansion was her first exposure to Township issues and she thanked Mr. Forest for his role in preventing the expansion. She went on that when Aqua, PA wanted to buy out Bucks County Water and Sewer Authority and her development would be required to pay higher rates, it was Mrs. Rash who was key to stopping that from happening. She explained it was these sorts of things that gave her even more respect for the protection the Board gives to her neighborhood. Mrs. Rash explained that Buckingham Township had the fewest number of residents served by the Bucks County Water and Sewer Authority system, that the County was trying to sell to Aqua, PA, a private company who would have raised rates 85%. Mr. Calderaio said that Mrs. Rash led the way to stop the sale as president of the Bucks County Association of Township Officials.

Ms. Veronin asked how she can get speed bumps in her neighborhood, and Mrs. Rash said there is a process that she would share with her. Ms. Veronin said she doubted she would get 80% of her neighbors to sign a petition.

Mr. Vince Roux, Ash Road, thanked the board for their assistance in preserving 50 acres of his property under a conservation easement. He wanted to remind the community that every citizen in this town benefits from the Board's efforts in keeping Buckingham's open space.

Mr. Jeff Glauber, Twinbrook Circle, thanked Mr. Forest and the Board for posting clarification on the township website about the proposed warehouse. He thanked him for opposing the warehouse. Mr. Glauber said in addition to the size of the project, his concern regards trucks and tractors backing up and the beeping system as required by federal law for trucks with blind spots. He said the traffic and sound would be a concern.

Mr. Greg Bankos, a Plumstead Township Supervisor, thanked the Board for their efforts in getting a safety resource officer for Central Bucks East High School. He said a lot of the Plumstead kids go to East. He also thanked them for fighting against Aqua, PA as that would have been disastrous. Mr. Calderaio thanked Mr. Bankos and the Plumstead Township Board of Supervisors for working well with Buckingham as we have many shared roads and we always work together on solving problems.

Mr. George Michel, Smith Road, thanked the Board for their professionalism. He also said that as a member of the Zoning Hearing Board for 20 years, and in light of recent stormwater events in Upper Makefield that cost many lives, the engineering in this township going back 30 years to Ernie Knight and Dan Gray, with enforcement by the zoning officer and the planning commission's work, he has seen the difference it makes in the developments to keep them safe. He said Knight Engineering should be thanked for preventing flooding from neighboring properties. He added as most of the township has private wells, curbing impervious surface helps put water into our wells, so the stormwater management is two-fold.

Mrs. Rash noted there are several property owners new to this township who do not want to pay Knight Engineering's bills due to the attention he gives each project, despite their having bought large farms that the township purchased easements on, and they are complaining about stormwater controls. She thanked Mr. Michel for his comments.

Mr. Skip Salvesen, Mountain Top Road West, said that seven people died in Upper Makefield recently due to stormwater, and that our residents need to know the history and what is going on and the work the supervisors and township staff are doing as it is phenomenal. He said in 100 years there will be a green patch called Buckingham Township, and as residents and citizens we must evangelize the greatness of Buckingham Township.

Ms. Lisa Braud, Dark Hollow Road, said she loved the recent township newsletter, and had attended supervisor meetings advocating to share more township news. She also said she was disappointed that the township does not want to expand the Park and Recreation Commission that she applied to join. Mr. Forest said it is still under discussion, but at this time township staff plans the township events. Ms. Braud said she did go to Buckingham Day, that it was amazing and she loved it.

PAYROLL and BILL LIST

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Mr. Calderaio explained the money for this project comes directly from the income received from the customers of the wastewater service area using the facilities, not from the townships' general fund or tax revenues.

The motion carried unanimously.

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Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve:

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Mr. Calderaio again explained the money for these projects comes directly from the income received from the customers of the wastewater and water service area using the facilities, not from the townships' general fund or tax revenues.

Mrs. Rash added that the money goes to a “savings” fund for capital improvements, which are planned out 20 years into the future. She noted the Bucks County Water and Sewer Authority does not have a capital improvement fund. Mr. Forest said the township must have a reserve fund, or would have to sell the facility.

The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of approving Payroll for the weeks ending July 2, 2023 and July 16, 2023 and the Bill List for the meeting of July 26, 2023.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve Payroll for the weeks ending July 2, 2023 and July 16, 2023, and the Bill List for the meeting of July 26, 2023, in the total amount of \$1,259,020.62. The motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

Consideration of approving draft Supervisor's Minutes of the June 21, 2023 Work Session and June 21, 2023 Regular Business Meeting.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve, as most recently presented, the draft Supervisor's Minutes of the June 21, 2023 Work Session and June 21, 2023 Regular Business meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of accepting various Departmental Minutes and Advisory Body Minutes.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to accept for inclusion in the Township's records the various Departmental Minutes and Advisory Body Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS

Consideration of approving Resolution 2597, Act 537 Plan Revision for the “Total Skills” Land Development, Township File LD 2021-04.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve Resolution 2597, Act 537 Plan Revision for the “Total Skills” Land Development, Township File LD 2021-04. The motion carried unanimously.

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Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve Resolution 2598, Installation of Septic System within Reforestation Easement, 2830 West Fox Chase Circle, TMP 06-010-091-006.

Mr. Smith explained that the septic system at 2830 West Fox Chase Circle was failing, and the only new location acceptable to install a septic system was subject to a forestation easement. He said this resolution allows the system in the reforestation easement and provides for a replacement reforestation area including planting trees in that new area of the property. Mr. Michel, Smith Road, asked if it was a drip or sand mound system, and Mr. Gray replied “sand mound”.

The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of awarding the bid for the “Removal and Disposal of 650,000 gallons more or less of Liquid Sludge on an approximately 6,500 to 18,000 gal. more or less per week basis”, for the first year of a three-year bid option, for the contract year September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024 to Wind River Environmental dba Franc Environmental of New Jersey, of Ivyland, PA, in the amount of \$0.103 per gallon.

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Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve the “McGorry Stormwater Facility Development Contract”, TMP 06-023-003-003, Request for Release #3, in the amount of \$50,531.81, pending payment of outstanding invoices. Mr. Calderaio explained they can reduce the amount received with the difference going to pay outstanding invoices, or they can pay the amount owed and receive the entire amount. The motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS / MANAGER’S ITEMS

Consideration of approving the Purchase Order for a 2023 police patrol vehicle in the amount of \$39,641.00 for the vehicle plus \$14,280.00 for the upfitting.

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Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to deny the request from Marco Polo Real Estate (Polo Design Build) and William Sinclair (lot owner) to proceed with the construction of all or some of the proposed improvements, being the pond, residence, driveway and associated improvements on Tax Map Parcel # 06-023-008-003 (Lot 2 – Victoria Park) prior to the issuance of the necessary Township permits and approvals being issued, as outlined in the Polo Design Build June 8, 2023 Letter.

Mr. Gray recommended against the board granting the requested waiver, and said the township zoning officer did as well. He explained the applicant is requesting relief to install the stormwater facilities prior to getting the township permits. Mr. Gray said this request applies to the proposed house, driveway and all related improvements.

The Board unanimously voted to deny the request from Marco Polo Real Estate (Polo Design Build) and William Sinclair (lot owner) to proceed with the construction of all or some of the proposed improvements, being the pond, residence, driveway and associated improvements on Tax Map Parcel # 06-023-008-003 (Lot 2 – Victoria Park) prior to the issuance of the necessary Township permits and approvals being issued, as outlined in the Polo Design Build June 8, 2023 Letter.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved by the Board of Supervisors on the 23rd day of August, 2023.

Buckingham Township Board of Supervisors

Paul Calderaio, Chairman

Maggie Rash, Vice-Chairman

Jon Forest, Member

Attest:

Dana S. Cozza, Township Secretary

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lori Wicen.