

A Regular Meeting of the Bedford Township Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, March 21, 2023 located at the Bedford Township Municipal Building 1007 Shed Road with the following members present:
Supervisors: Chairman Gregory L. Crist, Vice Chairman (Dean Shuller: Via Conf Call), Supervisor Ricky P Fetter
Secretary/Treasurer: Janie L. McMillen, Assistant Secretary: Dorine Smith
Township Engineer: (Kevin Hartman P.E: Via Conf Call) Ryan Calhoun, DPM attended.
Solicitor: Attorney Bradley Allison, Foreman: Rodney Bartholow
Township Resident's: Tom Heit, Tom Hickey, John Bittner, Firmadge Crutchfield, Via Conf. call: Eugene Wertz

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Crist

Flag Salute: Chairman Crist requested all to rise and led those in attendance in the pledge of allegiance.

Foreman Report: Foreman Bartholow reported they have been performing maintenance on the street sweeping equipment and have started sweeping in the development areas. Rodney discussed with the Board and Mr. Bittner a drainage ditch that is being redone by Mr. Bittner. He stated the gravel from the road fills up the ditch, which comes from the water tank road and anti-skid. It was suggested that the contractor use R3 stone, but only a small amount of R3 was placed in the ditch. The Board suggested if he could place R3 in two areas where the smaller stone was placed and at the upper lot that would help, Mr. Bittner was ok with that. Supervisor Fetter made a motion to accept, second by Chairman Crist and carried unanimously.

Citizen Comments: Tom Heit stated there is styrofoam scattered all over the place at the Bus. Park I and could be Captive Aire. He wondered if the Township could call them to take care of the cleanup. Secretary McMillen will call them and speak with the manager. Chairman Crist made a motion for the Solicitor to send a letter if they did not clean it up after the phone call. Second by Supervisor Fetter and carried unanimously.

Firmadge Crutchfield: of Briar Valley Rd has concerns with the tree cutting that the Airport is doing on his property. He stated they received a Federal Infrastructure Grant and that he signed an easement for them to top the trees on his property not clear cut 7 acres. He is afraid of erosion, stormwater runoff, and the wind tunnel they have created has caused trees in that area that have not been cut to blow over everywhere. They are also going to spray pesticides. After much discussion, the Board directed him to Soil Conservation Mike Felix and the County Commissioner's since two of the Commissioners are on the Airport Authority Board as well. Ryan will send an email of Mike Felix alerting him to the issues the clear cutting is creating and that he will be receiving a call as well.

MOWING BIDS FOR 2023 TO 12/31/2024: On a motion by Supervisor Fetter, second by V/Chairman Shuller, and carried unanimously, the following bidders won pending all documentation received by 3/24/23. Item#1: Pa Ridge Enterprises: Bus. Park I R-O-W's \$275, Item#2: Barkman Enterprises: Business Park I Common Areas \$ 970. Item#3: Pa Ridge Enterp: Little League Fields \$75.00, Item#4: Barkman Enterprises: Business Park II R-O-W's \$60.00, Item#5: Barkman Enterprises: Business Park II Common Areas \$ 270.00

GHD Engineering Report: *Representative Kevin Hartman P.E, and Ryan Calhoun review and report to the Board: on the following submitted projects with regards to compliance with the Subdivision Land Development Ordinance.*

BT Snacks: 1st submission Final Plan: GHD provided a review Ltr 2/23/2023 and recommended Contingent Approval of the Final Plan: remaining yet is the signed Developers Agreement, 4 executed cover sheets, and Financial Security before an LDA can be issued. V/Chairman Shuller made a motion to approve contingent on remaining items, second by Chairman Shuller and carried unanimously. No new information was received.

Escheverria: 2nd submittal Subdivision Plan: GHD provided a 2nd review ltr dated 10/10/2022 they are securing required permits before resubmitting; 90day extension to 4/18/23.

Rutter's Store # 108 Cessna: 2nd submittal Preliminary Plan: GHD provided a review ltr 11/21/22, requesting and extension. They are still working with Penn Dot and the HOP.

Clarks Recycling: Same Site Plan submission: provided 4/26/22: Clark granted a third 90-day extension: which will end 6/7/23.

American Trailer: Engineer Coughenour: Gardner granted a third 90-day extension and is waiting on the HOP to finalize the plan. Extension will end 6/7/2023.

Wakeman Storage Bin: Final Plan was forwarded to GHD: Kevin stated they will need to fix some runoff issues at the driveway entrance and suggested a culvert. The detention pond also needs vegetation and Kevin stated they would be providing the needed information before long. Extension will end 6/1/2023.

GHD: Continued: open items report:

Scoping Meetings: No discussion yet.

Backsprings Road: Ryan stated he has not been able to contact Shatzer. V/Chairman Shuller made a motion to request the Solicitor send a letter to all the Shatzer's, second by Supervisor Fetter and carried unanimously

Belden Rd Bridge: Ryan stated they are 5 to 6 days ahead of schedule.

Weight Limits on Misc Roads: Ryan stated they are sub-contracting this out and it will begin soon.

Police Barracks: The Engineer & Washington met to discuss the design, they will need an easement from the other neighbor and that is commercial property.

Solicitor's Items: *Solicitor Allison reported on the following items:*

- ❖ Weber Lane: Letter has been sent to the Turnpike, waiting on a response from attorney, Kevin sent an email to the Engineer on the project with no response as of yet.
- ❖ Friendship Vlg: Brad is preparing Ordinance, advertisement, property owner notice and hearing date.
- ❖ Road Alteration Ordinance: Will need to amend the Ordinance if Board wants to add curbing, Berm & drainage areas.
- ❖ Litigation issues: An executive session was called for litigation issues at 5:10pm; the session concluded at 5:15 with no motions made.

NEW BUSINESS: as follows: was reviewed acknowledged or discussed by the Board.

A motion was made by Supervisor Fetter to forward the following three plans to GHD for review and response to the SALDO, second by V/Chairman Shuller and carried unanimously.

Gardill Subdivision: 1st submittal Preliminary Plan: Clark Surveying Caleb Robinette: Frwd to GHD
Rodney & Kelly Howsare: 1st submittal Lot Line Change: Gunnett Engineering: Frwd to GHD
East Coast RV Specialist: 1st submittal Preliminary plan: Coughenour Engineering: Frwd to GHD

Resolution No: 2023-01: Pa Safe Digging Month Proclamation: In support of safe digging was approved on a motion by Supervisor Fetter, second by V/Chairman Shuller and carried unanimously.

Variance Request: Vince Liberato is requesting approval of a 40ft x 60ft fence, which would consist of a 9ft encroachment from the 15ft setback requirement. His neighbor Angela Gardner has provided notarized signatures of approval. A motion was made by Supervisor Fetter to approve, second by V/Chairman Shuller and carried unanimously.

Correspondence:

BCAM: Wednesday March 22 @ 7pm.

PSATS: 2023 Proposed Resolutions & By Law changes for PSATS Dues.

BEDFORD SCHOOL DIST: Hall of Excellence: March 30 @ 6:30

BEDFORD RURAL ELECTRIC: Annual meeting notice

There being no further business, Chairman Crist made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting 5:41pm second by Supervisor Fetter and carried unanimously.

Acronyms:

BTMA: Bedford Township Municipal Authority
BCAM: Bedford County Assoc of Municipalities
BJMA: Bedford Joint Municipal Authority
BSC: Bedford Sanitary Corporation
BCPC: Bedford County Planning Commission
CDBG: Community Development Block Grant
CRS: Community Rating System Number

Respectfully Submitted,

Janie L. McMillen, Secretary/Treasurer