CONEWAGO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
541 OXFORD AVENUE
HANOVER, PA 17331

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING JUNE 17, 2019

Chairman Don Knight called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The meeting began with the Pledge of the Flag and followed by a moment of silence.

The following Supervisors were in attendance:

Chairman Don Knight	Vice Chair Louann Boyer	Ernie Hess
John Strevig	Jeffery Sheely	

The following appointed Township professionals were also in attendance:

Barbara Krebs, Township Manager	Heather Snyder, Secretary-Treasurer
Sgt. Gary Baumgardner	Detective Kevin O'Brien
Tim Shultis, Solicitor	Eric Mains, Gannett Fleming Engineer
Angela Pabon, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer	David Arndt, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer

Scott Small, Maintenance Manager - Absent

There were approximately 73 people in the audience including: Michael Cooper-White of the Gettysburg Times, Charlotte Shaffer of 44 Allwood Drive, Tom Weaver of 174 Panther Drive, Herb Neilson of 5 Bristol Drive, Michael Vial of 78 Panther Drive, Dominique and Tom Jones of 73 Panther Drive, Dennis Dundore of 120 Panther Drive, Matt and Michele Arrison of 230 Puma Drive, Lydia Lupp and Donna Reichart of 688 Poplar Street, Walt and Judy Rockey of 180 Puma Drive, Randy Noel of 30 Cheetah Drive, Tony LeGore of 915 Poplar Street, Ron Knisley of 336 Blettner Avenue, Jeanne Smith of 165 Panther Drive, Randy Klunk of 681 Poplar Street, Barnard Reznick of 128 Panther Drive, Terry and Frank Faughey of 9 Sterling Drive, Sean Heishman of 65 Valley Drive, Lori and Tom Musselman, Joseph R. Myers Sr. of 340 North Blettner Avenue, Jeffrey Miller of 186 Panther Drive, Maryann Shearer of 632 Poplar Street, Russ Vriezen of 109 Water Street, Loretta Bowers of 43 Bristol Drive, Ken and Jan Smith of 240 Stafford Drive, Tom Tozzolo of 198 Puma Drive, Henry and Janice Sullivan of 33 Brisol Drive, Rudolph and Patricia Karin of 117 Panther Drive, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Burdette of 141 Panther Drive, Matthew Green of 39 Lynx Drive, Bruce and Deb Wilson of 70 Panther Drive, Chuck Johnson and Tracey Sloan of 6 Cheetah Drive, Allen Smith of 610 Edgegrove Road, Eric Bringer of Rettew, Resident of 35 Panther Drive, Lynn Toft of 30 Panther Drive, Lori Johnson and Phil Nell of 75 Valley Drive, Bill Rineman of 34 Lynx Drive, Rob McKenzie of 44 Lynx Drive, Michael Sanford of 228 Vincent Drive - McSherrystown, Jim Wildasin of 65 Cheetah Drive, Leonard and Phyllis Reinsfelder of 123 Elk Drive, Jane and John Haney of 287 Friendly Drive, Rex Walter of 109 Panther Drive, Harry McKean of 126 Onyx Road – New Oxford, Dan and Kathy Wildasin of 43 Panther Drive, Cork Smith of 353 Mt. Pleasant Road, George Staub of 212 Stombach Street - McSherrystown, Dennis Hartman of 38 Cheetah Drive, Scott and Tammy Becker of 211 Panther Drive, Chip Barger of 247 Stafford Drive, Resident of 610 Main Street - McSherrystown, Resident of 240 Ram Drive, Tom Jones of an unknown address and David and Tara Bolton of 76 Skyview Circle.

Sgt. Gary Baumgardner gave a police training presentation at 6:31 p.m.
Following the presentation, Sgt. Gary Baumgardner asked if there were any questions.

Charlotte Shaffer of 44 Allwood Drive, Tom Weaver of 174 Panther Drive, Dominique Jones of 73 Panther Drive, Dennis Dundore of 120 Panther Drive, Jeanne Smith of 165 Panther Drive, Maryann Shearer of 632 Poplar Street, Russ Vriezen of 109 Water Street, Rudolph and Patricia Karin of 117 Panther Drive, Matthew Green of 39 Lynx Drive, Bruce Wilson of 70 Panther Drive, Lynn Toft of 30 Panther Drive, Lori Johnson of 75 Valley Drive, Bill Rineman of 34 Lynx Drive, Rex Walter of 109 Panther Drive, Cork Smith of 353 Mt.

Pleasant Road, George Staub of 212 Stombach Street, Scott Becker of 211 Panther Drive, Chip Barger of 247 Stafford Drive, David and Tara Bolton of 76 Skyview Circle and a resident of 240 Ram Drive, asked questions, expressed concerns and commented on several topics regarding a 360 shoot house in the township including the following: 360 ranges versus static ranges, location, ricocheting bullets and hang fire, noise, safety of the public, expanding current ranges versus creating a new facility, using current available ranges or sending the officers for training, water contamination, cost of a new facility, home value depreciation and cost of homeowner insurance increasing, times and frequency of use, the use of simulation rounds instead of live bullets, liability insurance, Nuisance Laws and DEP wetland requirements.

Many expressed they were in support of training for the Conewago Township Police Department, however they did not agree with a new shooting range facility within Conewago Township.

Supervisor Jeffery Sheely made a motion to suspend the consideration of a 360 shooting range at the old sewer plant location, second by Supervisor John Strevig. Vote 5-0

Supervisor John Strevig shared appreciation for everyone that came to the meeting and expressed their opinions. He advised the Board of Supervisors will continue looking into other sites that are in operation at this time because our officers do need the training.

The discussion adjourned at 8:02 p.m. and many residents left at that time.

The regular meeting commenced at 8:05 p.m.

1. MINUTES

Vice Chair Louann Boyer made a motion to approve the May 20, 2019 Workshop and Regular meeting minutes, seconded by Supervisor John Strevig. Vote 5-0

The Municipal Authority minutes for June 10, 2019 were included in the packet for review.

2. COMMUNICATIONS AND INTERACTIONS

The SAVES May report was enclosed in the packet for review. Supervisor John Strevig advised that SAVES responded to 23 Fire and Rescue calls and 134 EMS calls for a total of 157 calls for the month. In Conewago Township, SAVES responded to 12 Fire and Rescue calls (52%) and 36 EMS calls (27%) for a total response of 48 calls (31%) for the month.

A Comcast communication from May 23, 2019 was enclosed in the packet for review regarding channel lineup changes and changes to Xfinity Packages.

Adams County Borough Association newsletter for May was enclosed for review.

3. REPORT FROM COMMITTEES/SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS

Administration

Vice Chair Louann Boyer made a motion to authorize the Solicitor to remove an old street lighting lien for the property at 72 Deer Drive for lien 343 of 1993 and 504 of 1994 totaling $77.00, seconded by Supervisor Ernie Hess. Vote 5-0

Public Safety

Supervisor John Strevig made a motion to issue a notice of intent to award the Police station garage bid to Dutchman Contractors LLC., the apparent low bidder in the amount of $62,172.00 subject to the execution of the contract, issuance of bonds and insurance certificates, seconded by Vice Chair Louann Boyer. Vote 5-0

Recreation

Chairman Don Knight advised we are applying for a new county grant.

Agricultural Preservation
Nothing new to report.

Roads
Nothing new to report.

Pension
There will be a Pension Meeting on July 18, 2019 at 10 a.m.

Planning Commission
Supervisor John Strevig made a motion to authorize the preparation of a zoning ordinance amendment to change truck and motor freight terminal, warehousing and wholesale trade establishments from a use permitted by special exception in the industrial zone to a use permitted by use in the industrial zone subject to the same criteria currently listed in the special exceptions section with the exception of changing the setback provisions applicable to residential use from 500 feet to 100 feet, seconded by Supervisor Jeffery Sheely. Discussion: Ron Knisley of 336 Blettner Avenue expressed his concern about the changing of the 500 ft. to 100 ft. and how that can affect the resident's. Supervisor John Strevig and Jeffrey Sheely advised the typographical error from 2009 and why this is being clarified for record purposes.
Solicitor Tim Shultis advised that the vote is to proceed with submittal to Adams Co. Planning and Development for comment and review and the Township Planning Commission for comment and review and then a public hearing will be held. Vote 5-0

Stormwater
Nothing new to report.

4. REPORT FROM SECRETARY-TREASURER

Supervisor John Strevig made a motion to approve the Secretary/Treasurer's Report, seconded by Supervisor Jeffery Sheely. Vote 5-0

Supervisor Ernie Hess made a motion to approve payment of the prepaid bills and all invoices noted on the report for May 17, 2019 – June 13, 2019, seconded by Supervisor Jeffery Sheely. Vote 5-0

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Russ Vriezen of 109 Water Street expressed concerns regarding vehicles speeding on Airport Road and the dust that is resulting. He complimented the Police Department and the Maintenance vehicles for obeying the speed limit.

Judy Rockey of 180 Puma Drive, Matt Arrison of 230 Puma Drive, Chip Barger of 247 Stafford Drive, Tom Tozzolo of 198 Puma Drive expressed their safety concerns, road access, dust, speeding and limited access to the park with the Plum Creek Recreational Facility and to why the playground was installed in the middle of the field.

Charlotte Shaffer of 44 Allwood Drive suggested speed bumps for Airport Road as a possible solution to the issue.

Barbara Krebs, Township Manager, explained that the Board of Supervisors intent is to close Airport Road once Water Street is open and we get the road established past the playground. In order to create a road back to the park, the Township is required to get a NPDES Permit and a Highway Occupancy Permit which is in process.

Eric Mains, Township Engineer, explained the process and permits required for the Plum Creek Recreational Facility road to be completed.

Supervisor John Strevig advised Scott Small, the Maintenance Manager, has been asked to look into this issue to see what the Township can do. He also advised the Township needs to have 2 ways to enter and exit the Plum Creek Recreational Facility for safety purposes.

Michael Sanford of 228 Vincent Drive had a question regarding a letter he had sent the Township asking that the Board of Supervisors consider taking over Neiderer' s Pool as a town pool. Barbara Krebs, Township Manager, responded that the Township has no interest in taking over the pool because of the liability issues.

Charlotte Shaffer of 44 Allwood Drive asked the Board of Supervisors where is Chief McCoy. Barbara Krebs, Township Manager, responded that Chief McCoy asked to be on Administrative leave and it is an ongoing personnel issue that cannot be discussed.

Michele Arrison of 230 Puma Drive expressed thanks to the Supervisors for their work.

Several Residents left after public comment.

6. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS

Police

The Police Department's May report was enclosed in the packet for review.

Sgt. Gary Baumgardner advised a driver expressed appreciation for Officer Groft taking time to explain how he could rectify an equipment violation.
Sgt. Baumgardner advised the Community and social media were expressing their appreciation for Officer Bevenour. Officer Bevenour assisted a resident in an electric wheelchair, with a dead battery, off of the road in McSherrystown and to his home.

Township Solicitor Shultis

Nothing to report.

Township Manager

Barbara Krebs, Township Manager reviewed her monthly staff report including the following:
The completion of the playground area, the Stormwater Growing Greener Grant to remove pipes and advised we are applying for another $25,000.00 county grant.

Township Engineer (Eric Mains, Gannett Fleming, Inc.)

Eric Mains, Township Engineer gave a review of his Engineer's Report for May and advised street projects will begin soon.

7. CODE ENFORCEMENT

The activity summary from Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer, Dave Arndt, dated June 13, 2019, was enclosed in the packet for review.

Electronic waste recycling collection will occur on June 20, 2019 from 11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at the Township building.

8. SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT

The Subdivision and Land Development Status Report for June 13, 2019 was included for review.

Planning Commission meeting minutes dated June 6, 2019 was included for review.

Centennial Circle

Vice Chair Louann Boyer made a motion to approve the withdraw of the Centennial Circle Land Development Plan from further review and consideration by the Township seconded by Supervisor John Strevig. Vote 5-0

Precision Cut Industries – 115 Ram Drive – Phase I Public Improvement Bond

David Arndt, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer advised a request was received for the partial release of funds for Phase I Public Improvement Bond in the amount of $38,855.60. No action is required and the Engineer is currently reviewing the request.

Blettner Avenue Industrial Buildings – Bletter Avenue – Preliminary/Final Plan

Supervisor John Strevig made a motion to approve the bond/financial security for the Blettner Avenue Industrial Buildings in the amount of $2,146,298.88, recommended by the Township Engineer, seconded by Ernie Hess.

Discussion: Ron Knisley of 336 Blettner Avenue asked for clarification.
Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer Dave Arndt advised that the Board of Supervisor's was approving the Industrial Buildings which is a permitted use in the industrial zone and recommended by the Planning Commission.

Supervisor Jeffery Sheely made a motion to conditionally approve Resolution 2019-L and the Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan for the Subdivision and the Industrial Buildings with the following conditions; Approval by PA DEP of the Sewage Facilities Planning Documents, approval of a NPDES Permit and posting of a bond in the amount approved by the Board of Supervisors, recommended by the Planning Commission, seconded by Ernie Hess. Vote 5-0

Harry P. McKean – 518 Maple Avenue – Final Subdivision Plan

Supervisor Ernie Hess made a motion to conditionally approve Resolution 2019-M and the Final Subdivision Plan for 518 Maple Avenue with the following conditions; An Operation & Maintenance Agreement and PA DEP Sewage Module, recommended by the Planning Commission, seconded by Jeffery Sheely. Vote 5-0

Mavis Tire – 1324 Carlisle Pike – Preliminary/Final LDP

David Arndt, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer advised a waiver request was received from Section 135-16, submission of a Preliminary Plan.
Jeffery Sheely made a motion to approve the waiver request for Mavis Tire, 1324 Carlisle Pike, forgoing submission of a separate Preliminary Plan, recommended by the Planning Commission seconded by Ernie Hess. Vote 5-0

9. ZONING

There will be no Zoning Hearing meeting for July.

10. MEETING SCHEDULE

July 9, 2019 (Public Safety Committee) 8:30 AM
July 9, 2019 (Finance/Operations) 9:30 AM
July 11, 2019 (Planning Commission) 6:00 PM
July 15, 2019 (Workshop) 5:00 PM
July 15, 2019 (Board of Supervisors) 6:30 PM

11. ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor John Strevig made motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m., seconded by Supervisor Ernie Hess. Vote 5-0

Respectfully Submitted:

Heather Snyder, Secretary/Treasurer

Angela Pabon, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer