

**Barrett Township Supervisors  
July 12, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Barrett Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at the Barrett Township Building on Route 390 in Mountainhome, PA. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Ralph Megliola.

**Present:** Ralph Megliola, Loree Guthrie, William Pipolo, Jr., Benjie Labar, Solicitor Todd Weitzmann, Jeryl Rinehart and the public. John Seese and Pam Gardsy were absent.

There were no public comments on the agenda items.

The minutes of the June 28, 2017 meeting were approved on a motion made by Ralph Megliola and seconded by William Pipolo, Jr. and carried. All the Supervisors voted aye.

Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve the payment of the following bills:

- June 26, 2017 - General Fund - \$ 49,263.67, Open Space Fund - \$ 1,069.49, Fire Fund - \$ 685.01, Ambulance Fund - \$ 506.54, Library Fund - \$ 1,519.70
- July 7, 2017: General Fund - \$ 4,288.85 , Open Space Fund - \$ 400.00, Fire Fund - \$ 1,085.76, Park and Recreation Fund - \$ 90.84, LST Fund - \$ 1155.54, State Fund - \$ 153.73

The motion was seconded by William Pipolo, Jr. and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

**Reports:**

a. The Treasurer's Report was read. On a motion made by Ralph Megliola and seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried, the report was accepted as read.

b. The Ambulance Report was read. On a motion made by Ralph Megliola and seconded by Benjie Labar and carried, the report was accepted as report.

**Subdivision/Land Development:**

a. Eleanor Reiser Price and Robert G. Reiser, Jr. and Lisa Reiser, Minor Subdivision Plan, Brian Courtright, Surveyor – Brian Courtright was present to discuss the minor subdivision plan. The existing properties are located on the western side of Spruce Cabin Road approximately 1,500 feet southeast of the intersection with State Route 390. The existing Reiser property has a lot area of 40,310 square feet and consists of an existing single-family dwelling which takes access from Spruce Cabin Road. The existing Price property has a lot area of 3.17 acres and consists of an existing single-family dwelling which takes access from

**Strawberry Lane. The existing properties are located within the R, Residential Zoning District. The proposed lot consolidation will convey 9,851 square feet from the Price property to the Reiser property. The proposed lot area of the Reiser property is 50,561 square feet and the proposed lot area of the Price property is 2.94 acres. An existing garage utilized by the Reiser's and located on the existing Price property will now be located on the Reiser property. No development is proposed with this minor subdivision. It was noted that the Planning Commission recommended approval of the minor subdivision plan. Brian Courtright submitted a letter requesting a waiver of the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance, Section 404.1.4, "where a minor subdivision plan in the opinion of the Planning Commission presents no engineering problems and few, if any, planning problems, the Planning Commission may waive the filing of the preliminary plan and require only the filing of a final plan. Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve the waiver. The motion was seconded by Benjie Labar and carried. All Supervisors voted aye. Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve the minor subdivision plan. The motion was seconded by Benjie Labar and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.**

**b. Lands of County of Monroe/Turner Subdivision, Dutch Hill Road, George W. Parker, P.E., P.L.S. – George W. Parker was present to discuss the plan for a minor subdivision of the lands of the County of Monroe and lot consolidation with the lands of 360 Dutch Hill, LLC. The existing properties are located on the eastern side of Dutch Hill Road. The existing Dutch Hill property is located within the CRH, Commercial Resort/Hotel Zoning District and consists of four (4) existing buildings that take access from Dutch Hill Road via a 50-foot wide easement. The existing County property is located within the C, Conservation Zoning District, to the south of the Dutch Hill property and is currently landlocked. A 50-foot wide easement is shown through the Dutch Hill property and onto the County property. No development exists on the County property. The proposed minor subdivision includes subdividing the existing County property into two parcels, Lot 1 and 2. Lot 2 will have a gross area of 12.83 acres and will be conveyed to the Dutch Hill property. It was noted that the Planning Commission recommended approval of the minor subdivision plan. Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve the minor subdivision plan. The motion was seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.**

**Old Business:**

a. Discussion was held on the Township Engineer appointment. The decision was tabled until the next meeting.

b. Discussion was held on allowing two volunteers clearing the walking trails at Ice Lake/Seven Pines Park. Ralph Megliola made a motion to grant permission for the volunteers to clear the walking trails. The motion was seconded by Benjie Labar and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

c. The Public Hearing for the Zoning Map changes has been scheduled for Wednesday, July 26, 2017 at 8:00 a.m.

d. The continuance for Zoning Board Hearing for Buck Hill Falls Company and Buck Hill Water Company has been scheduled for Monday, July 31, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building. Ethel Huff submitted a letter which she wanted to be entered into the record concerning the possible sale of water. She presented her ideas on what should be done, the process to achieve a resolution, a reimbursement method and length and flexibility of contracts.

**New Business:**

a. Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve the payroll for July 4, 2017 in the amount of \$ 15,081.07 for gross wages, \$ 462.22 for state liability, \$ 3,398.71 for federal tax liability, \$ 12,058.64 for net wages. The motion was seconded by William Pipolo, Jr. and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

b. Letters were received from Martin and Mary Price informing the Supervisors that they were resigning from the Barrett Township Halloween Parade Committee effective July 12, 2017. Ralph Megliola thanked the Martins for their years of service. Ralph Megliola made a motion to accept their letters of resignation. The motion was seconded by Benjie Labar and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

c. A letter was received from Monroe County Meals on Wheels thanking the Supervisors for purchasing a half page ad for their 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Volunteer Recognition Dinner booklet.

d. It was noted that the 2017 Economic Outlook Summit will be held on Friday, September 8, 2017 at the East Stroudsburg University from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

e. A letter was received from the Monroe County Conservation District informing the Supervisors that they conducted an inspection of earth disturbance activities at the Buck Hill Inn Demolition and Reclamation on June 27, 2017.

f. A letter was received from Sharista Joseph and her father, Jean Marie Joseph concerning their property located at 110 North Drive, 125 North Drive and the

.27 acre lot on Emerson Road. The property has deteriorated over the years and they are not unable to restore the property and they were wondering if the Supervisors would be interested in buying the land as a blighted property. The Supervisors are not interested in purchasing the property but are willing to look at the structures with Building Code Officer Shawn McGlynn to determine the amount of work and cost involved for the blighted property program if the property were to be donated.

g. A Complaint Form was received concerning the timing change and flashing light of Electronic Message Sign and the loud music on Karaoke Night at the Pourhouse. Zoning Officer Jeryl Rinehart reported that she inspected the Electronic Message Sign on Monday, July 10, 2017 from 9:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. and determined that the sign was not in violation of the Sign Ordinance. No. 185. William Pipolo, Jr. submitted Penn Dot specifications on the sign and addressed the loud music. A letter will be sent to Susan Hanning and Carolyn Bamert informing them that there are no violations at the Pourhouse.

h. Two Complaint Forms were received concerning the height of grass and the building falling apart at 2224 Route 390 and the height of grass and weeds at 1076 Route 390. Zoning Officer Jeryl Rinehart will follow up on the complaints.

i. A Complaint Form was received concerning the shooting off of fireworks at 4167 Mill Creek Drive. Jacqueline Magann was very concerned that the fireworks would cause a fire on her roof. She asked the Supervisors how they could get people to stop doing fireworks illegally and how can the Township address this issue. Ethel Huff suggested that it would seem reasonable to consider limiting home fireworks display to those fireworks that cannot travel further than a resident's property. Zoning Officer Jeryl Rinehart will follow up Detective Mertz who investigated the 911 call on Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup>.

j. Ralph Megliola made a motion to waive the septic repair fees for the American Legion on Spruce Cabin Road. The motion was seconded by Benjie Labar and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

k. Nate Covington submitted a Project Proposal for Website Development for an online extension of Barrett Township that facilitates communication with residents.

Miscellaneous:

a. It was noted that there were no certificates of insurance received.

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**As there was no further business or public comment, Ralph Megliola made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by William Pipolo, Jr. and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

*Terp Rinehart*