

**HARMAR TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING*
Thursday, August 20, 2020**

PRESENT

Robert W. Seibert, Jr.	Chairman
Lee Biermeyer	Vice Chairman
James Devlin	Supervisor
Robert Exler	Supervisor
Harry Lenhart	Supervisor
Ian Fitzgerald	Manager
Charles Means	Solicitor
Matt Pitsch	Engineer

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On Wednesday, August 19th at 1:00 p.m. the Board of Supervisors convened an Executive Session to discuss legal and personnel matters. No action transpired at the Executive Session, which adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Seibert called the proceedings to order at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments submitted prior to the meeting or via teleconference.

BOARD COMMENTS

There were no board comments during the board comments portion of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Devlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2020 regular meeting. Mr. Lenhart provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Lenhart made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Reports for July 1 – July 31, 2020. Mr. Biermeyer provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Means discussed the status of the Governor's emergency order as it relates to the ability for Township's to hold remote only meetings. Solicitor Means noted that the Governor would

need to extend the emergency declaration in early September to allow for Harmar Township to continue to hold the public meetings remotely.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Pitsch provided an update on the GEDF Low Grade Road project including the fact that Harmar Water Authority won a grant for water line upgrades in the area and their project would obviously be finished before Harmar Township's paving project. Mr. Pitsch noted that Harmar Township's project should be advertised in the fall.

Mr. Pitsch noted that the CDBG 46 Sidewalk project was advertised and bids will be opened on Friday, August 28th at 3:00 p.m.

Mr. Pitsch discussed the CDBG 47 grant and noted that Harmar Township was only eligible for grants for one block group located around Beckman Street, Hite Road, and Nixon Road. Mr. Seibert encouraged Mr. Pitsch to pursue a grant for fixing drainage issues along the backyards of Beckman Street.

Mr. Pitsch also summarized Curtiss-Wright's proposal to upgrade their water line system by installing new lines in the Acmetonia area. The new path for the water lines would be through Meadow Street. Mr. Pitsch noted that the Township has held preliminary discussions with Curtiss-Wright about working together on the paving project that would follow the new water line installation.

Matt Pitsch informed the Board that the ACME Park basketball and deck hockey court are open to the public.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Seibert made the motion to appoint Mr. Exler to the Parks and Recreation Committee. Mr. Devlin provided the second and the motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Seibert made the motion to appoint Mr. Lenhart to the Parks and Recreation Committee. Mr. Exler provided the second and the motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Biermeyer made the motion to approve "Resolution 10-2020 – Agreement with Allegheny County to receive reimbursements for COVID 19 expenses". Mr. Exler provided the second and the motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Lenhart made a motion to approve the partial payment of \$32,813.45 to Sports and Recreation Associates for work completed to date on the Acme Park project. Mr. Devlin provided the second and the motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Lenhart made a motion authorizing the Manager to advertise for the position of Office Assistant. Mr. Exler provided the second and the motion was carried unanimously

BOARD COMMENTS – REOPENED DUE TO APPOINTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Seibert reopened the Board Comments section following the appointment of Mr. Exler and Mr. Lenhart to the Parks and Recreation Committee

Mr. Exler discussed a list of upgrades that he wanted to make to the various parks that the Township would look into making the requested upgrades.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Biermeyer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 p.m. Mr. Lenhart provided the second and the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Ian T. Fitzgerald
Manager

**Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic the Harmar Township Board of Supervisors meeting was held over a teleconference call. Mr. Seibert, Mr. Lenhart, Mr. Devlin, and Mr. Fitzgerald attended the meeting in-person while the Solicitor, Engineer, and remainder of the Board attended over the phone. Members of the public were able to submit comments in writing before the meeting and make public comments during the public comment portion of the teleconference.*