

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING HELD  
November 16, 2020**

*The regular meeting of the Butler Township Board of Commissioners was held on November 16th, at 6:30 p.m. at the Butler Township Municipal Building, 290 S. Duffy Road, Butler, PA 16001. The following Commissioners were present: Pres. Dave Zarnick, Vice Pres. Sam Zurzolo, Comm. James Lokhaiser, Commis. Joe Wiest and Commis. Fred Vero.*

*Also present was Manager Tom Knights, Solicitor Rebecca Black, Engineer Dan Deiseroth and Student Rep. Peyton Pry.*

*Pres. Zarnick stated that anyone taping the meeting is required to state their name; Ryan Saeler from Butler Radio Group indicated he would be taping the meeting.*

*Pres. Zarnick called for any corrections to the minutes of the October 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. There were none, minutes stood as approved.*

*Commis. Vero congratulated Commis. Zarnick on receiving the Local Government Award from the Governor's Office*

*Commis. Zurzolo congratulated Commis. Zarnick on receiving the Local Government Award from the Governor's Office and recognized the Veteran of the Year award*

*Commis. Wiest congratulated Commis. Zarnick on receiving the Local Government Award from the Governor's Office*

*Commis. Lokhaiser congratulated Commis. Zarnick on receiving the Local Government Award from the Governor's Office*

*Pres. Zarnick reminded residents to continue safe COVID prevention practices*

*Student Rep. Pry reported on the survey results she had received*

*There was no public comments on agenda items*

*Engineer Deiseroth presented the Brown/Sweeney Subdivision*

*Motion by Comm. Vero to grant an odd shaped lot for the Brown/Sweeney Subdivision Seconded by Comm. Lokhaiser. The vote was Vero: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried*

*Motion by Comm. Vero to grant final approval of the Brown/Sweeney Subdivision. Seconded by Comm. Lokhaiser. The vote was Vero: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried*

*Engineer Deiseroth presented the Whitesell/Community Care Connections Subdivision*

*Motion by Comm. Vero to grant final approval of the Whitesell/Community Care Connections Subdivision. Seconded by Comm. Lokhaiser. The vote was Vero: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried*

*Engineer Deiseroth presented the Bash Family Practice Land Development. Joe Gray from Ashlar Architects, representing the developer, gave a presentation of the plan and answered questions from the Commissioners.*

*Motion by Comm. Vero to approve a resolution granting final approval of the Bash Family Practice Land Development contingent upon compliance with Gateway Engineer's letter dated October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020, executing a Developer's Agreement, posting financial surety, receiving approval from Butler Area Sewer Authority and executing a Storm Water Operation and Maintenance Agreement. Seconded by Comm. Lokhaiser. The vote was Vero: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried*

*Manager Knights presented the 2021 Budget*

*Motion by Comm. Zarnick to authorize advertising the 2021 Budget as presented by the Manager. Seconded by Comm. Zurzolo. The vote was Vero: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried*

*Manager Knights presented the 2021 Real Estate Tax Rates which were unchanged at 11.25 mills.*

*Motion by Comm. Zarnick to authorize advertising the 2021 Real Estate Tax Rates. Seconded by Comm. Zurzolo. The vote was Vero: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried*

*Manager Knights presented the 2021 meeting schedule.*

*Motion by Comm. Zarnick the authorize advertising the 2021 meeting schedule. Seconded by Comm. Lokhaiser. The vote was Vero: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried*

*Manager Knights presented a resolution supporting the Butler County Commissioners' request for continued remediation methods to slow the spread of the COVID virus.*

*Motion by Comm. Zarnick to approve the resolution. Seconded by Comm. Lokhaiser. The vote was Vero: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried*

*Manager Knights presented the bills for the month of September.*

*Motion by Comm. Lokhaiser to approve the bills as presented. Seconded by Comm. Vero. The vote was Vero: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried*

*Manager Knights presented correspondence from the Butler Area Public Library thanking the Commissioners for the financial donation*

*Pres. Zarnick asked for public comment on any item of concern and there was no public comment.*

*Questions were taken from public.*

*Mark Krenitzy, 139 Winterwood Drive, thanked the Commissioners for not having a tax increase in 2021 and discussed a citation he had received.*

*Commissioners moved to Executive Session for contract and personnel matters at 7:10 P.M.*

*Commissioners reconvened in open session at 8:20.*

*Motion by Comm. Zarnick to approve a change order to the Preston Park/Gregor Contracting contract extending the substantial completion date from October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 to November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020. Seconded by Comm. Lokhaiser. The vote was Vero: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried*

*Meeting adjourned at 8:22 P.M.*