

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING HELD
July 18, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Butler Township Board of Commissioners was held on July 18, 2022 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, Commis. Wiest and Commis. Ed Natali.

Also present were Manager Tom Knights, Solicitor Rebecca Black, Dir. of Finance Cheryl McNeill, Zoning Officer Jesse Hines, Chief of Police John Hays and Engineer Dan Deiseroth.

Pres. Zarnick called the meeting to order followed by a moment of silence and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pres. Zarnick stated that anyone taping the meeting is required to state their name. Ryan Saeler, Butler Radio Network, and Eddie Trazzini, Butler Eagle recorded the meeting.

Commissioners' Reports

Commis. Natali provided a legislative update

Commis. Wiest provided a road resurfacing project update

Pres. Zarnick gave an update on meetings attended and National Night Out

Departmental Reports:

Dir. of Emergency Services Scott Frederick provided a summary of fire department activities for the month of May.

Chief of Police John Hays provided an activities update

Pres. Zarnick asked for public comment on agenda items, there was none.

New Business:

Zoning Officer Hines and Joe Gray of Ashler Architecture presented the Geibel subdivision

Motion by Commis. Natali to grant final approval of the Geibel Subdivision

Second by Commis. Wiest. The vote was Natali: Yes; Wiest: No; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Zoning Officer Hines and Joe Gray from Asher Architectural presented the Spencer Geibel Funeral Home Land Development

Motion by Commis. Natali to pass a resolution granting final approval for the Spencer Geibel Funeral Home Land Development contingent upon:

1. Approval from DEP for Planning Module
2. Receipt of NPDES Permit
3. Executing a Developer's Agreement approved by the Township Solicitor
4. Posting of Financial Surety in the amount and form acceptable to the Township Solicitor
5. Executing a Storm Water Operation and Maintenance Agreement
6. Approval from the Butler Area Sewer Authority

Second by Commis. Wiest. The vote was Natali: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Zoning Officer Hines presented a reappointment to the Planning Commission

Motion by Commis. Natali to reappoint Ron Henshaw of 114 East Rockenstein Avenue to the Planning Commission for a 4-year term to expire July of 2026.

Second by Commis. Wiest. The vote was Natali: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Zoning Officer Hines presented a bond release request from Sheetz located on Vogel Road

Motion by Commis. Natali to release the Sheetz 18-month maintenance bond in the amount of \$117,695.70

Second by Commis. Wiest. The vote was Natali: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Public Hearing- Agricultural Security Area 7-Year Review

Solicitor Black called the meeting to order at 7:00PM for the purpose of accepting comment regarding the 7-year review of the Agricultural Security Area. Solicitor Black indicated the hearing had been duly advertised and those giving testimony were sworn in by the Court Reporter.

Zoning Officer Hines provided a review of the criteria for participation and indicated new additions to the Agricultural Security Area list.

Jerome Motko, 153 Dutchtown Road, had a question regarding building a garage in the Agricultural Security Area.

No further testimony was given.

Solicitor Black closed the hearing at 7:11PM.

Motion by Commis. Natali to pass a resolution setting forth the properties within the Agricultural Security Area as recommended by the Agricultural Security Area Advisory Committee and the Butler Township Planning Commission.

Second by Commis. Wiest. The vote was Natali: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Manager Knights presented the Pullman Property Site Preparation project.

Motion by Commis. Natali to advertise the Pullman Property Site Preparation project for bid.

Second by Commis. Zurzolo. The vote was Natali: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Dir. of Finance Cheryl McNeill presented the bills report for June.

Motion by Commis. Zurzolo to approve the bills report as presented.

Second by Commis. Wiest. The vote was Natali: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Pres. Zarnick asked for any correspondence. There was none.

Public Comment was given by:

Jerome Motko, 153 Dutchtown Road – asked about constructing a garage based upon having 2 parcels in the Agricultural Security Area.

Questions from the media were taken.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:23PM to an Executive Session for Legal Matters and the Board did not return.
