

**THORNBURY TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES May 19, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Thornbury Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Jim Benoit - Chairman at 6:15 PM remotely via Ring Central. In attendance were Supervisors Robert Wiggins, Mike Gallagher, Joe Lisa and Robert Anthony. Judy Lizza, Township Manager, Teresa DeStefano, Township Secretary and Kathy Labrum, Township Solicitor, and Mike Conrad, Township Engineer via Ring Central, were in attendance.

Ron Miller, Karen Griem, Brooks Durham, Paul Nichol, Dan Baer, John Rendemonti, Mike Nichols, Christine Kimmel, Cheryl Giacinto and Barbara Zippi-Och residents were online for public comments.

**Jim Benoit, Chairman read the following:**

In accordance with the order issued by Governor Wolf, and the Continuity Plan adopted by the Township Supervisors, the April 21, 2020 meeting of the Thornbury Township Board of Supervisors is being held virtually and open to the public.

Some items of note:

1. All virtual meetings will be recorded via video, electronic or telephonic means.
2. Public comment will be conducted. All comments were to be submitted in writing and received by Judy Lizza or physically dropped in the township mailbox at the building. Public comments will be read during the virtual meeting during the public comment period. Additional public comment will be accepted at the discretion of the Board Chair.
3. All attendees to the virtual meetings will be muted by the organizer or be asked to mute themselves unless and until recognized by the Board Chair.
4. All attendees are expected to "sign in" virtually.
5. Meeting minutes will be available and posted, once approved, on the township website.
6. Can we please take attendance of the meeting at this time? I will call on each official and then request any additional attendees to identify themselves for the record. (Bob Anthony, Mike Gallagher, Joe Lisa, Bob Wiggins, Kathy Labrum, Mike Conrad, Judy Lizza, Teresa DeStefano) Anyone not called please state your name and address ....
7. I appreciate everyone's time tonight, and your patience as we work through this new kind of meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted by Jim Benoit.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Jim Benoit motioned to approve the April 21, 2020 Board of Supervisors Meeting minutes and the May 5, 2020 Work Session minutes. The motion was seconded by Joe Lisa. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

**MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Judy Lizza presented the Manager's report and gave a brief update of a few points. A copy of the report on file.

**AGENDA BUSINESS:**

1. Resolution 2020-16 Implementation of Act 15 of 2020 Property Tax Relief Provision  
**Jim Benoit moved to approve Resolution 2020-16. Seconded Joe Lisa. All were in favor. Motion carried.**
  
2. Resolution 2020-17 Expressing Serious and Immediate Concerns about Proposed Actions Regarding Chester Water Authority  
**Jim Benoit moved to approve Resolution 2020-17. Seconded Joe Lisa. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

3. Concept Plan for Township Building

Jim Benoit presented a power point presentation for the public about the upcoming Thornbury Township Municipal Building at the Town Center.

Ron Miller inquired about the basin and will it be in the same location.

John Rendemonti inquired if a contractor has been chosen or if the board had one in mind.

Dan Baer asked if the citizens of Thornbury will be notified before moving forward.

Barbara Zippi-Och inquired if the board had any intention of using the building to rent out for income for the Township.

**The Board authorized the Township Manager to contact Linn Architects to develop plans for the bid package.**

**APPROVAL OF THE BILL LIST**

*Jim Benoit presented for approval the bill list for May in the amount of \$92,093.74 including*

- A. *WEGO \$49,783.33*
- B. *Linn Architects (Inspections) \$7,038.75*
- C. *Yerkes Associates \$5,609.07*

**Jim Benoit motioned to approve the bill list for May. The motion was seconded by Joe Lisa. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Christine Kimmel inquired about Cheyney University and the proposed Hemp facilities.

Kathy Labrum noted that she sent the Right to Know and has not received any response yet.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**None**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Jim Benoit mention that the Board will go into Executive Session following the meeting to discuss Real Estate and Lease matters.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Judy Lizza  
Township Manager