

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Mark Stevenson called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Other Supervisors present were Danelle Del Corso and Todd Kirsten. Staff present were Susan Steele, Township Manager; Amy Smith Township Clerk; Erica Ehly, CRPA and Jeff Stover, Township Solicitor. Residents & others in attendance: Amy Farkas, Harris Township Manager; Mark Boeckel, Harris Township Planner; Jason Little, HMT Planning Commission; Kathy Kelley, HMT Planning Commission; Mike Brown, HMT Planning Commission; Lorin Nauman, HMT Planning Commission and Victor Waskob, landowner.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

4. **MINUTES**

- ***MOTION: Mr. Kirsten moved to approve the minutes for August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016; Ms. Del Corso seconded; Vote 3-0-0; Motion Carried.***

5. **BILLS LIST**

- ***MOTION: Mr. Kirsten moved to approve the Bills List dated September 8th, 2016; Ms. Del Corso seconded; Vote 3-0-0; Motion Carried.***

6. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

- ***MOTION: Mr. Kirsten moved to approve the Treasurer's Report dated September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 for end of month for July; Ms. Del Corso seconded; Vote 3-0-0; Motion Carried.***

7. **PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE NO. 2016-02, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HALFMOON, CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE HALFMOON TOWNSHIP OFFICIAL MAP**

Mr. Stevenson opened the public hearing at 7:05 p.m.

Ms. Ehly stated the Halfmoon Township Official Map was adopted on February 12, 2004. Subsequently, the Township adopted a Parks and Recreation Plan in 2009, which identified a proposed walking trail system.

Surveys and meetings conducted among Halfmoon Township residents during 2011 and 2012, resulted in an expressed interest for a trail network that could be used to access neighborhoods and parks within the Township.

The Planning Commission reviewed the existing Township road network and suggested amendments to the Official Map as a way to designate roads that would be considered for the "Share the Road" network. Potential amendments to the Official Map were recommended as a result of comments received from the Parks Board and the Board of Supervisors.

During the process the Planning Commission also recommended that trail connections through undeveloped lands and that a future park location proposed in the Parks and Recreation Plan were in the amendments.

Comments were provided Centre County, the Parks Board, Clearwater Conservancy and the Board of Supervisors. At the meeting on February 16, 2016, the Planning Commission recommended the following amendments to the Official Map: the addition of proposed bicycle and walking path connections in the following locations; Charles Taylor property, Clearwater Conservancy property, Stable View Drive to Lone Pine Road, Sawmill Road through Grays Woods property to Grays Woods Path, Sawmill Road to Heritage Trail Road, Sawmill Road to Heritage Trail Parkway in Patton Township; the addition of proposed "Share the Road" bicycle and walking paths along Township roads, as shown; the addition of proposed new parkland along Houtz Lane

and on Grays Woods property along boundary with Patton Township and the addition of a wildlife corridor, as shown.

Subsequently, the Centre Region Planning Commission, and the Townships of Ferguson and Patton, provided comments in accordance with Section 408 of the MPC. The CRPC supports the amendments and did not have any comments. Patton Township review was in regard to multiple trails, including bicycle and walking paths, which are proposed to connect into Patton Township. The Planning Commission and the Patton Township Board of Supervisors supported the proposed amendments, offering no additional comments to Halfmoon Township. Ferguson Township review was in regard to the proposed "Share the Road" facilities leading into Ferguson Township via Marengo Road. The Planning Commission and the Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors reviewed the proposed amendments and the Board of Supervisors stated that revisions are intended to be made to the 2009 Ferguson Township Official Map and further connections through bicycle and pedestrian linkages to neighborhoods and park facilities will be contemplated.

Ms. Ehly stated the next steps will be for staff to transmit the adopted Ordinance and Official Map to the Recorder of Deeds of the County within 60 days of adoption. Staff will also transmit the adopted Ordinance and Map to the Centre County Planning Commission, Centre Region Planning Commission, Ferguson Township and Patton Township.

Mr. Kirsten commented that the Board has been discussing the Official Map for a long time and it is not completely set in stone just because it is on the map does not mean it can't be changed.

Mr. Stevenson closed the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.

8. **MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2016-02, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HALFMOON, CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE HALFMOON TOWNSHIP OFFICIAL MAP**

- ***MOTION: Ms. Del Corso moved to approve Ordinance 2016-02, An Ordinance of the Township of Halfmoon, Centre County, Pennsylvania, amending the Halfmoon Township Official Map; Mr. Kirsten seconded; Vote 3-0-0; Mr. Kirsten thanked the Planning Commission for their work on the Official Map; Motion Carried.***

9. **PRESENTATION BY TOWNSHIP MANAGER/FINANCE DIRECTOR OF MINIMUM MUNICIPAL OBLIGATION CONTRIBUTION FY 2017**

Ms. Steele explained she had to present the pension plan obligation contribution FY 2017 to the Board per the Auditor Attorney General for matter of record. Ms. Steele stated the obligation FY 2017 would be \$25,519.00.

Mr. Stevenson commented that the pension plan is now a non-distressed status versus what it was 8-9 years ago.

10. **SUPERVISORS' REPORT**

Mr. Kirsten stated the Park & Recreation Board held movie night on August 27<sup>th</sup> and there was a good turn out and it went well. The Bounce House was popular. Mr. Kirsten thanked all the citizens that attended.

HR Committee – Ms. Del Corso stated she attended the Human Resource Committee and met the new Centre Region Parks Director. Mr. May is having trouble filling the Senior Planner position and may be looking to downgrade that position. Ms. Del Corso stated there was discussion on how the hourly/salary wage will affect Centre Region COG employees.

Mr. Stevenson stated he will not be in attendance of the September 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting and questioned whether another Board member could attend the Executive Committee meeting and the Spring Creek Watershed Committee in his place. Mr. Kirsten stated he could attend the Executive Committee meeting and Ms. Del Corso volunteered to attend the Spring Creek Watershed Committee meeting in his place.

Mr. Stevenson reminded citizens there will be a pot luck dinner for the Spring Creek Watershed 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary on September 10<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 at the Millbrook Marsh Nature Centre.

Mr. Stevenson stated there will also be an Evening of Hope, Healing and Remembrance on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> starting at 5:30 p.m. in honor of Suicide Prevention and Awareness Day.

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Mr. Stevenson reminded the Board they will meet September 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 to complete the Manager review and hear the Manager recommendations for staff.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

- ***MOTION: Mr. Kirsten moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m.; Ms. Del Corso seconded; Vote 3-0-0; Motion Carried.***

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