

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Mark Stevenson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Other Supervisors present were Barbara Spencer, Andy Merritt, Ben Pisoni and Todd Kirsten. Staff present was Amy Smith, Township Clerk and D.J. Liggett, CRPA. Residents & others in attendance: Fred Henry, Mease Associates, Inc.

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 dated September 12th, 2013; Ms. Spencer seconded; Vote 5-0-0; Motion Carried.***

5. **MOTION TO APPROVE SEWER PLANNING MODULE 1 FOR MICHAEL AND BARBARA SWANK BARR PROPERTY**

Ms. Liggett provided a description of the property and stated this is a 214 acre tract that will be subdivided into 2 lots; one being 60 acres and the other 150 acres. Ms. Liggett explained that lot 5A has an existing house with an existing septic system. This module will address a backup system area for lot 5A and a primary and secondary area for lot 5B. There was discussion whether the backup area for lot 5A is out of the flood zone. Mr. Henry ensured the Board that the backup area was out of the flood zone. Mr. Stevenson questioned whether this would have to be approved by DEP. Ms. Liggett commented that it would require DEP approval and Worth Township would have to submit a sewage planning module for the part of the property that sits in Worth Township that would also need DEP approval.

- ***MOTION: Ms. Spencer moved to approve the sewage planning module 1 for the Michael and Barbara Swank Barr property; Mr. Kirsten seconded; Vote 5-0-0; Motion Carried.***

6. **MOTION TO APPROVE THE PRELIMINARY FINAL PLAT OF SUBDIVISION OF MICHAEL AND BARBARA SWANK BARR**

Ms. Liggett stated lot 5A will have water service provided by a hydrant and lot 5B will either have a water storage tank or a sprinkler system in the home. Ms. Liggett explained that lot 5A will have access through the lot with the stone house that is an existing easement. Ms. Liggett commented there has been a maintenance agreement submitted but has not been reviewed by the Township Solicitor. Ms. Liggett stated the approval of this plan is subject to the following conditions: 1) DEP approval of the sewer planning module, 2) PennDot approval of the highway occupancy permit; and 3) A maintenance agreement being executed on the present access road. Ms. Liggett stated this property is in the Open Space Preservation Program and it is proposed to stay in the program but at some point a house may be built on lot 5B. Ms. Liggett explained that prior to construction of a home on lot 5B, a plan will be submitted to the Township showing where the 10% exemption would be on the property. Ms. Liggett explained that a property owner in the OSPP could use a 10% exemption if the property was over 60 acres and did not have a house on it. The property would no longer continue to receive payment for the 10% that was taken out of program. Ms. Liggett stated as of right now nothing has been proposed for any construction. Ms. Spencer commented that she was impressed how the developer has covered their bases. Ms. Liggett stated staff has approved this plan contingent on the three items discussed earlier.

- ***MOTION: Ms. Spencer moved to approve the preliminary/final plat of subdivision for the Michael and Barbara Swank Barr property contingent upon the following conditions; DEP approval of the sewer planning module, PennDot approval of the highway occupancy permit and a maintenance agreement being executed on the present access road that is approved by the Township Solicitor; Mr. Kirsten seconded; Vote 5-0-0; Motion Carried.***

Secretary

7. MANAGER'S REPORT

The Manager's Report was provided. Mr. Stevenson reminded residents that office hours have changed to 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with a lunch hour from noon to 1 p.m. and stated that the Township is still getting the work out of staff that they are being paid to do. Mr. Stevenson explained that staff attends early morning and night meetings most weeks and was building up too much comp time which was putting the Township in a deep financial hole. Mr. Stevenson discussed the possibility of an intern.

Mr. Stevenson stated that the Port Matilda Fire Company is also looking for volunteers.

8. SUPERVISORS' REPORT

Mr. Pisoni stated Alpha Fire Company measured the flow rates on four hydrants. They choose the ones that had smaller piping and got a flow rate of 800 gallons. Mr. Pisoni stated this is a good rate because the number they are usually looking for is 500 gallons per minute. Mr. Pisoni discussed cisterns and stated the report would be reviewed by Ms. Steele and emailed out to the Board for discussion at another meeting.

Ms. Spencer stated she attended the CCMPO meeting and it looks like there may be spike funds to help the road widening project near Potter Mills.

Mr. Stevenson stated the COG General Forum is looking for comments on the Sewage Service Area and Regional Growth Boundary and this will be discussed at the next Board of Supervisors meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

- ***MOTION: Ms. Spencer moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.; Mr. Kirsten seconded; Vote 5-0-0; Motion Carried.***