

**SUMMIT TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS**  
**Regular Business Meeting**  
**Monday, March 6, 2017**

Chairperson Agostine called the regular business meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order at 6:00 p.m. following salute to the flag. Supervisors Lee and Welka were present, as were, Solicitor Sennett, Zoning Administrator Miller, Engineer Jonas, Secretary Yeast, and five interested persons.	CALL TO ORDER
Motion by Lee, seconded by Welka, to approve the minutes of the Regular Business Meeting on February 21, 2017, as presented and reviewed by the Board of Supervisors. Vote: 3/0	2/21/17 MINUTES
There was no correspondence.	CORRESPONDENCE
Motion by Lee, seconded by Welka, to approve the February 2017 Expenditures as presented and reviewed by the Board of Supervisors. Vote: 3/0	FEB. 2017 EXPENSES
Motion by Welka, seconded by Lee, to approve expenses for attendance to the ECATO Annual Firemen's Conference Dinner on March 28, 2017. The Board also approved expenses for (2) Fire fighters. Vote: 3/0	ECATO FIREMEN'S CONFERENCE DINNER
Chairperson Agostine reported that Waste Management and Erie County Recycling are promoting the Great American Clean-up and waiving the land-fill fees for registered participants.	HOST MUNICIPALITY FEES WAIVED FOR PA CLEAN-UP
Motion by Agostine, seconded by Welka, to waive the Summit Township Host Municipality Fees for registered participants during the Great American Cleanup of PA. Vote: 3/0	
Engineer Jonas presented an overview of accomplishments and plans as part of the Summit Township MS-4 Permit requirements. Stormsewer was installed last year on Old French Road, Johnson Road and Townhall Road East. Jonas displayed a map of the MS-4 area which showed the completed GIS mapping of the stormwater system. Jonas added that he will continue to map the existing stormwater system as weather permits. Outfall monitoring was completed for 14 outfalls in 2016 resulting in six dry-weather flows, one of which required further testing. Test results were negative for pollutants of concern. Once mapping is complete, the 2018 Permit application requires the creation of a pollutant reduction plan to reduce sediment and nitrates by a certain percentage for impaired waterways. The Township will have (5) years to implement these plans. A revision to the Summit Township Stormwater Plan Ordinance will also be needed.	MS-4 STORMWATER PUBLIC INPUT SESSION
Jim Chojnacki, 9481 Old French Road, questioned how nitrates created by using fertilizer in farm fields can be reduced without impacting farm operations. Engineer Jonas explained that the reduction is not a specific formulation, it is credit-based. Supervisor Agostine added that it is basically a mitigation plan compensating for pollutants or sediment created in one area by reducing it in another. Erie County Planning is trying to get involved with possibly coordinating the mitigation process with streams traveling through different municipalities.	
Discussion ensued regarding enforcement. Engineer Jonas explained that the violation process would ultimately impose fees on non-complying municipalities. Engineer Jonas added that Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) created the mandate, who delegated the program specifications to the PA Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), who further delegated administration of the program to the local municipalities.	

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Zoning Administrator Miller had nothing to report.

Solicitor Sennett reported that he had forwarded to the Board a copy of acknowledgment from the PUC that the application was received to close the railroad crossing on Footmill Road.

Engineer Jonas reported that he has been in contact with Urban Engineers to perform a geotechnical investigation for the Old French Road Bridge to be able to design the foundations for the culvert.

Jim Chojacki, 9481 Old French Road, expressed concern for the recent news reports of local embezzling arrests. Are there safeguards to ensure this doesn't happen at Summit Township? Supervisor Agostine responded that Summit Township uses a CPA to audit our accounts and monitor employee processes. Supervisor Welka added that all Township bills are reviewed by all (3) Supervisors, all checks require (2) signatures. Solicitor Sennett further explained that the Treasurer's bonds are in place to protect funds, but reimbursement can also be obtained from the individual who may have embezzled via criminal prosecution.

Norm Ponitowski, 7891 Pagan Road, expressed his concern for the lack of education facilities, the cost of the Municipal Building, an increase in water service charges, and a recent large water leak at his rental property.

With no further business to come before the Board, motion by Lee, seconded by Welka, to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Vote: 3/0

Respectfully submitted,

Christene S. Yeast  
Recording Secretary  
03/07/2017

LAND  
DEVELOPMENT

SOLICITOR:

- Footmill Rd.  
RR X-ing

ENGINEER:

- Old French Rd.  
Bridge Design

PUBLIC INPUT

ADJOURNMENT