HEARING OF McKEAN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

CALL TO ORDER

A hearing of the Board of Supervisors was called to order on June 1, 2023 by Chair Jan Dennis at 7:00 p.m. as previously advertised and took place at the McKean Township Municipal Bldg.

ROLL CALL

Members present were Janice Denis, Brian Cooper and Ronald Bole. Guest present was Mark Corey-Engineer.

PURPOSE OF HEARING

The purpose of the public hearing is to take testimony and public comment on a Conditional Use Permit application from Charles Bizzarro for a junkyard on property identified as Tax I.D. 31-9-30-4 zoned I-1 Industrial at 8400 Bargain Road.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

Ron Bole moved that the legal advertisement with the West County News Journal be entered into these proceedings as Exhibit 1 on May 12 and May 19, 2023, second by Brian Cooper and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

PLANNING COMMISSION REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Brian Cooper moved that the minutes of April 20, 2023 be entered into these proceedings as Exhibit 2, second by Ron Bole and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

The Chair swore in those individuals wishing to give testimony.

APPLICANT PRESENTATION

Charles Bizzarro, 4727 Haven Street, Erie

Mr. Bizzarro stated that he is striving to clean up and improve the property. The area for the junkyard will be used as a storage unit.

TESTIMONY FROM PUBLIC

Chris Haskins, 8411 Bargain

Mr. Haskins stated that he is against the junkyard due to safety issues. He has concerns about their water source and further that junkyards are notorious to health issues such as effects from run off, pollution issues, lowering property values, and burning issues.

Elizabeth Haskins, 8411 Bargain

Mrs. Haskins stated that some years ago when the property was used as a junkyard, their well was polluted. Their well cannot support six people with clean water. A junkyard causes rats and they want to protect the health of their children and pets. She has concerns due to the fact that her family has existing health issues.

Betty Volkwein, 8389 Edinboro Road

Ms. Volkwein noted that she has lived in the area for 59 years and when the property was a junkyard, she has encountered smoke/burning issues.

Mike Kilmire, 8438 Edinboro Road

Mr. Kilmire stated that increased traffic will be terrible. He has lived in the neighborhood since 1984 and that this use will effect property values.

Ron Bole asked what Mr. Bizzarro intended to do with property. Mr. Bizzarro stated that it will be a holding area for cars for parts. Ron stated concern of engines being removed which may cause environmental issues.

Brian Cooper stated that there is no burning allowed on any business property of which Mr. Kilmire stated that there have been fires on this property.

Further discussions followed and the Chair read some possible conditions that were to be considered by the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

With no objections, the hearing adjourned at 7:43 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Janice T. Dennis, Secretary

REGULAR MEETING OF McKEAN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order on June 1, 2023 by Chair Jan Dennis at 7:41 p.m. as previously advertised and took place at the McKean Township Municipal Bldg.

ROLL CALL

Members present were Janice Dennis, Brian Cooper, and Ronald Bole. Guest present was Mark Corey-Engineer.

CITIZEN COMMENT—AGENDA

None

MINUTES

Brian Cooper moved to approve minutes of the May 4, 2023 regular meeting and the minutes of the May 15, 2023 special meeting, second by Ron Bole and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

TREASURER REPORT

Ron Bole moved to approve the Treasurer Report of May 31, 2023 and approve payment of bills from the Treasurer Report of May 31, 2023, second by Brian Cooper and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES

Planning Commission May 18, 2023 minutes were noted.

Brian Cooper moved to approve the Subdivision Plan for Robert Michael, Sr. and Janice Anne Koca for a minor subdivision on West Stancliff Road as presented, second by Ron Bole and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Recreation Authority May 18, 2023 minutes and Treasurer Report March 17 through May 18, 2023 were noted.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Brian Cooper reported that they are currently replacing road culverts and will shortly start paving. Jan reported that ECGRA has invited McKean Township Supervisors to attend an event announcing ECGRA's commitment and investment in the Borough of Edinboro, McKean Township and Washington Township on June 6th.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ron Bole moved to table the matter of the Conditional Use Permit application from Charles Bizzarro for a junkyard at 8400 Bargain Road, second by Jan Dennis and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS

It was noted that there were no bids received for the sewer flow meters. The meters would have to be advertised for bids again.

Jan Dennis moved that the Secretary and Treasurer are authorized to attend the 64th Annual PAMA Conference, second by Brian Cooper and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Brian Cooper moved that the Supervisors, Treasurer, Auditors, Solicitor and Engineer are authorized to attend the ECATO Yearbook Dinner, second by Ron Bole and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Jan Dennis moved that the Secretary and Treasurer are authorized to attend the ECAMA Dinner Meeting, second by Brian Cooper and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Ron Bole moved to approve the quote for a 24x24 garage w/concrete floor from Watkins General Contracting at a total cost of \$21,380.00 and approve the quote for a 14'x12' garage drawbar operator at a cost of \$5,173.00, second by Brian Cooper and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Jan Dennis moved to accept the resignation from Teri Dillen as a member on the McKean Township Zoning Hearing Board immediately, second by Ron Bole and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Ron Bole moved to agree to a one year extension to SPK Engineering, Inc. for the preliminary design of the Old 99 bridges with the extension ending July 13, 2014, second by Brian Cooper and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Brian Cooper noted that correspondence was received from Swank Construction Company notifying McKean Township that they will be performing infrastructure work on the Bargain Road Bridge over I-79 beginning July 10, 2023 until September 15, 2023.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

ADJOURNMENT

With no objections, the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice T. Dennis, Secretary