

EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837
February 10, 2020

Chairman Schumacher called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:37 PM.

Those present: Chairman Matt Schumacher; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor James Knight; Township Manager, Stacey Kifolo; Solicitor Peter Matson and Secretary/Treasurer, Jolene Helwig.

Visitors: See list

Chairman Schumacher announced that an Executive Session was held on February 3, 2020 at 3:15 PM to discuss ongoing litigation.

Shawn Waltman, a resident of White Deer Township, Union County, present a Gun Owners of America draft Second Amendment Sanctuary Ordinance (SASO), suggesting that the Township pass an ordinance that rejects the enforcement of state and federal gun control laws deemed unconstitutional by the Township and restrict the use of Township resources, monetary or otherwise, for said enforcement. He suggested that if the Township not pass an ordinance, perhaps they could pass a resolution as a show of support for gun owners. He is advocating for all the Union County municipalities to pass an ordinance or a resolution and then he will petition the County Commissioners for the same.

Visitors: See list

Public Comments:

- Scott Henninger, EBT resident, retired Pennsylvania State Police Officer and is in support of the 2nd Amendment Sanctuary.
- The following individuals, not all of whom are residents of EBT, acknowledged that they support Shawn Waltman and his efforts for a 2nd Amendment Sanctuary: Kevin Sloan, Korey Zimmerman, Breta & Karen Wolsey, Josh Hunt, Mike & Pam Fair, Brian Benfer, Tom Kalvin, Brent Bacon, Clyde Gass, Tammie Toker, Jeff Shrader, Michael Cub, Keith Bower, Stephen Tucker, Jeff Sprenkle, Amos Newswagner, Kris Henninger, Aaron Ellis, Tammy Shury, Frank Floris, Sidney Mong, Sarah Willits, Andrew Willits, Ron Schultz, Trent Kling, Austin Kister, Chad Kister, Tina Kuhns, Carol Steckel, Fred & Jean Warren, Nelson Weaver, Jennifer Ellis, Jay Ryarson, Steve Shively, David Young
- Lauren Peck, EBT resident and member of Mom's Demand Action for Gun Sense in America, asked the supervisor to reject the proposal of the 2nd Amendment Sanctuary, noting that the elected officials have an obligation to enforce laws.
- The following individuals, not all of whom are residents of EBT, acknowledged that they support Lauren Peck and stand for the Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America: Mary Hagarty, Molly Griby, Erin Brown, Ruby Baker, Nancy Kimball, Linda Treese, Rebecca Thomas, Sandy Field, Katie Madden, Tina Morris
- Troy Zimmerman, Mifflinburg resident, supports citizens being able to defend themselves in their homes and in public; supports for the 2nd Amendment.
- Will Zimmerman, Mifflinburg resident and Buffalo Township Supervisors, asked that those with questions about 2nd Amendment Sanctuary Ordinance, call Buffalo Township.

- Lisa & Scott Weisel, EBT resident, asked supervisors to act according to resident's decision on constitutional or unconstitutional. They stand for the 2nd Amendment.
- Anne Sloan, EBT resident, a firearm owner, a volunteer for the Union County SASO, will talk with anyone who has question about the 2nd Amendment.
- Shari Jacobson, Union Township resident, supports the 2nd Amendment but stands with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America and upholds the power of the constitution.
- Winda Walker, Union Township resident, in her opinion, criminals will never follow the rules and supports Shawn and 2nd Amendment.
- Wendy McTammany, EBT resident, supports leave the constitution laws as they are, asked the supervisors to act accordingly.
- Tom Duck, EBT resident, law is decided by the courts and it isn't the townships role to change the law, it is for the courts to determine.
- Tripat Singh, EBT resident, is not in support of the proposal; is in support of the constitution and bill of rights.
- Sandy Field, EBT resident, not against the 2nd amendment but there should be laws as to who should have guns and red flag laws to protect those who don't have guns.
- Leroy Fisher, EBT resident, has a business in the Lewisburg Area and is in support of the 2nd Amendment and he invited anyone who has never handled a gun to the gun club for a demonstration.
- William Flack, Mifflinburg resident, supports common sense gun laws.
- Jen Shabihang, EBT resident, supervisors should not be considering this ordinance; it is up to the courts on constitutionality.
- Jonas Pfleagor, White Deer resident, noted that we can't have patch work in both the state and federal courts. Agrees that any individuals that break into your home will cause more harm than those who have guns.
- Matt Farrand, feels strong both ways
- Randy Whipple, Milton resident, supports Shawn and the 2nd Amendment; doesn't feel guns are the problem unless you are the person who pulls the trigger. It's like drinking and driving are you going to take our cars away?
- Thesesa Yerger, recently moved to the township, has experience working for a police force; shared her personal experience living with a person who was violent and the struggle to get a PFA. She doesn't support the 2nd Amendment ordinance and asked, the supervisors to let the courts decided what is right and wrong.
- George Botelbro, recently moved to the township, is a Marine Corp Veteran in marksmanship. Agrees with the 2nd Amendment but believes the ordinance is a rush job and doesn't explain the red flag laws.

- Paul Haines, Buffalo Township resident and supervisor, would like to talk with anyone that has questions about the red flag laws and constitutional rights.
- Max Andrew, Buffalo Township resident, noted statistics show that the majority of people do own guns and if they do harm to anyone or themselves, it is because they shouldn't have been in possession of a firearm.
- Chris Shabanowitz, EBT resident, supports the 2nd Amendment would like more background checks, the number of guns a person could purchase at a time and enforcing other red flag laws.
- Sara Kelley, EBT resident, supports the 2nd Amendment but does not support the Ordinance that is in the hands of the supervisors.
- Jim Buck, EBT resident, didn't know much about this ordinance until he did some research; is concerned with how this ordinance will affect the township and the residents.
- Tina Prownat, EBT resident, supports Shawn, thanked all those who attended from the difference areas, would like to see a tally of all those in support or against the 2nd Amendment ordinance. Doesn't want her right to be taking way.
- Jordi Comas, Lewisburg Borough resident, supports the constitution, would like everyone to know that we all have rights whether it is today or tomorrow. We can all agree to disagree about the 2nd Amendment and there is balance in our rights.
- Deirdre O'Connor, Mifflinburg resident, agrees with the common-sense laws but doesn't support the endorsement of the ordinance being presented to public.
- McKenna Mowry, EBT resident, is a student at Lewisburg Area High School and a student representative for Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America, she worries that school is not safe for students to attend; asked the supervisors to consider public input.
- Scott Vance, EBT resident, shared his experience being a resident of other countries and always feeling safe, but does not feel as safe in the United States. There needs to be laws that protect all of us.
- Evan Hart, EBT resident, is a student at Lewisburg Area High School and a student representative for Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America.
- Kimberley Drexler, EBT resident, would like the supervisors to be cautious about the 2nd Amendment Ordinance.
- Bonnie Ludwig, EBT resident, would like the supervisors to come up with a sensible ordinance that works for all resident.

No official action was taken by the Board of Supervisors relative to the Second Amendment Sanctuary ordinance or Resolution. Chairman Schumacher noted the debate will continue at the February 24, 2020 EBT Supervisors Work Session, beginning at 5:30 PM at the Township building.

Chairman Schumacher acknowledged Board receipt of the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Departments January 2020 report.

Chairman Schumacher acknowledged Board receipt of the Central Keystone Council of Governments (CKCOG) January 2020 report.

Action on the Union County Library Minor Land Development was tabled, as Mid-Penn Engineering had not submitted revisions to CKCOG as directed by the Planning Commission.

Motion by Chairman Schumacher and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the Chris Cummings & Kelly Baldwin Lot Consolidation.
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

The Board of Supervisor reviewed and discussed the proposed Solar Ordinance Amendment prepared by the Planning Commission. The board members each noted that clarification in language; terms; sizes & distances; and locations needed further attention. Board members asked that the CKCOG Zoning Officer Makenzie Stover and Solicitor Matson work at tightening up these loopholes. The draft will be updated and reviewed by the Supervisors at an upcoming public meeting.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Supervisor Knight to approve the January 6, 2020 Organizational meeting minutes as distributed.
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Supervisor Knight to approve the January 6, 2020 Business meeting minutes as distributed.
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Supervisor Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the additional expenditures for December 2019 as presented.
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Supervisor Knight to approve the expenditures for January 2020 as presented.
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

Chairman Schumacher reported that the next Buffalo Valley Regional Police meeting is scheduled for February 12, 2020 at 5:00 PM. The Board of Supervisors will be holding their Work Session on February 24th at 5:30 PM. He also reported that Central Susquehanna Fire and Emergency Services (CSFES) Board meeting will be on Thursday, February 27, 2020 at 6:00 PM.

Vice Chairman Gray reported that the BVRA held its 6th annual Gala Fundraiser on February 8th at Brookpark Wine Cellars, with about 125 people in attendance. Shirley Brough, BVRA Executive Director, received the official letter from the PA Department of Human Services ordering the shut-down of the Nature's Cool program. This letter was anticipated, even after the BVRA Board voluntarily closed the program when it was discovered that the proper licensure was not in place. Gray reported BVRA will hold a work session meeting on February 20th at 5:00 PM to talk about the next steps for the Nature's Cool program. The next regular BVRA meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 26, 2019 at 5:00 PM.

Township Manager Kifolo reported that the 2018 Liquid Fuel Audit was complete and final report was issued by Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of the Auditor General. Suncom Cleaning servicing has notified the township that they are canceling their 2020 bi-weekly cleaning service as of February 19th due to staffing issues.

Chairman Schumacher reported that Judge Hudock granted a joint motion for a 90-days extension for the schedule for the bench trial. This will move the bench trial to the July 20, 2020 – October 18, 2020 timeframe.

Motion by Chairman Schumacher and seconded by Supervisor Knight to approve Creative Landscapes with mowing and weed control and fertilization for 2020.
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Schumacher to appoint Steve Trimble to the East Buffalo Township Planning Commission Board until December 31, 2020. Motion died due to a lack of second. Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Supervisor Knight to appoint Warren Zimmerman to serve on the East Buffalo Township Planning Commission for the balance of a four-year term expiring December 2022.
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Schumacher and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray for Supervisor James Knight Township representatives to attend the May 3-6, 2020 PSATS annual Educational Conference and Trade Show.
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Schumacher and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray for Supervisor James Knight to represent East Buffalo Township as the Voting Delegate at the 2020 PSATS Conference, with Resolutions Voting scheduled to take place on Tuesday, May 5, 2020.
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Supervisor Knight to approve Resolution 01-2020 appointing the Union County Treasurer to serve as East Buffalo Township Tax Collector until such time as a person shall be elected as said Tax Collector.
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

The Board rescinded their January 6, 2020 decision to release an RFP for a Planning Commission Solicitor.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Chairman Schumacher authorizing the Township Treasurer to establish an interest-bearing checking account with Susquehanna Community Bank for the Financial administration of the DCNR grant funded project number BRC-PRD-25-214
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Supervisor Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the agreement with regard to traffic signal with Union Township, Union County.
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Schumacher and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the submittal of 500 tons of sodium chloride for the 2020-202 COSTARS sodium chloride (road salt) contract.
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Schumacher and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the IRS Mileage rate of \$0.575 per mile for Township authorized travel in calendar year 2020.
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Schumacher and seconded by Supervisor Knight to approve the proclamation recognizing the month of April 2020 as "Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month".
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Schumacher and seconded by Supervisor Knight to have the solicitor amend the WCEC Fire Protection Agreement between East Buffalo Township and William Cameron Engine Company. The agreement erroneously stated that the Township would pay four equal installments with due dates of January 10th, April 10th, July 10th, and October 10th. The amendment will alter the Township's payment dates to April 10th, June 10th, August 10th and October 10th.
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Schumacher and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to enter an Executive Session at 8:54 PM.

Motion by Chairman Schumacher and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to exit the Executive Session at 9:06 PM.

Motion by Chairman Schumacher and seconded by Supervisor Knight to adjourn at 9:06 PM.

Submitted by Jolene D. Helwig, Secretary