

EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837  
February 24, 2020

Chairman Schumacher called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

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

Motion by Chairman Schumacher and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the waiver request to Section 403.C.5 ground water recharge for the minor land development plans for The Public Library of Union County.

Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Supervisor Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray recommend approval of plans conditional upon the fully executed Improvements Guarantee and Stormwater Maintenance Agreements and Waiver Section 403.C.5 on site plan sheet.

Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

At the request of the Board BVRPD Chief Paul Yost, Union County Sheriff Ernie Ritter; and Union County Game Warden Dirk Remensnyder were present to answer questions about guns and gun laws. Among the variety of topics, the three professionals discussed the relinquishing of weapons under a Protection from Abuse (PFA) court order; background checks at gun shows and private sales; conceal carry permits; the permitting process; the difference between automatic and semi-automatic guns; Federal Firearms License (FFL) for sellers; guns used for hunting; safety zones; and how to report someone with mental or depression status. Regarding mass shootings, Chief Yost encouraged all that if they see something, say something.

Visitors: See list

Public Comments:

- Sarah Bell, EBT resident, asked if there would be a time in the near future that an ordinance would be passed and how would the process work.
- Shawn Waltman, White Deer resident, appreciated the way this meeting and the last meeting were handled by the supervisors. Thanked the law enforcement officers for coming out and helping to clarify answer questions that were asked by the audience.
- Susan Jamison, EBT resident, has worked with domestic violence and doesn't want to see a resolution.
- Tina Prowant, EBT resident, asked the Board of Supervisors to clarify if they were or were not passing a resolution.
- Ruby Baker thanked the law enforcement officers and questioned why the township would want to create a Second Amendment Ordinance or Resolution.
- John Graham, EBT resident, thanked the law enforcement officers for their statements and appreciated the phrase "law abiding citizen" that was used. Hopes that everyone can be law abiding citizen and not pass an ordinance that would create situations where people can opt to not abide by the law.

- Amy Vance, EBT resident, thanked the law enforcement officers, appreciated the question and answer session and everyone that participated.
- Scott Vance, EBT resident, thanked the Supervisors for not passing an ordinance but are considering a resolution.
- Tim Brungart, Mifflinburg resident, thanked everyone for coming together and for putting their feelings and opinions aside; listening to each other on how they can help each other; and realizing the Second Amendment is everyone's choices.
- Butch Woolsey, Buffalo Township resident, is a pastor and a counselor, would give his life to save others; would rather be judged by twelve instead of carried by six.
- Karen Woolsey, Buffalo Township resident, thanked the law enforcement officers and appreciates the job that they do.
- Kevin Sloan, EBT resident, thanked law enforcement and hopes that everyone learned that it is not easy to purchase a gun; there are checks and balances and if followed the laws will work for everyone.
- Leroy Fisher, EBT resident, a gun is a mechanical device and operates by the person behind it. Stated that the law enforcement officers explained very well how the law works.
- Anne Sloan, EBT resident, thanked the supervisors and the law enforcement officers for providing the community with questions and answers to better understand the law.
- Margaret Marr, EBT resident, urges the supervisor to not act on an ordinance and to resist passing a resolution.
- Scott Henninger, EBT resident, thanked the law enforcement officers; and asked what people see as common-sense laws.
- Becky Perez, Kelly Township resident, thanked the supervisors and law enforcement officers. Would like if the supervisor would focus on a helpful resolution and how is public safety supported in East Buffalo Township. How would the Second Amendment Sanctuary resolution increase the trust of East Buffalo resident for local law enforcements to uphold the law? How would a Second Amendment Sanctuary for law enforcement expectation on what is on the other side of the door?
- Mary Hegarty read a letter from EBT resident, Susan Auman, which was sent to the supervisors.
- Jeff Shrader, EBT resident, thanked Char for doing her research and having an open mind.
- Kimberley Drexler, EBT resident, thanked the supervisor for having such a transparent process; asked that the supervisors choose their words carefully for the resolution.
- Tom Duck, EBT resident, thanked the law enforcement officers; thank the supervisors for taking the ordinance off the table and asked that the supervisor think carefully about their words for the resolution.
- Mike Fair, Buffalo Township resident, thanked the law enforcement and supervisors for the questions and answers that were provided to the public.

- Troy Zimmerman, Mifflinburg resident, thanked the law enforcement and supervisor for the community information.
- Rebecca Thomas, EBT resident, a resolution that highlights our Second Amendment over other parts of our constitution is confusing and concerning. Would like to see it called the Bill of Rights Resolution instead of calling out the Second Amendment
- Mick Piper-Smyer, EBT resident, thanked law enforcement and respects both sides of the issue.
- Lauren Peck, EBT resident, Moms Demand Actions is a Second Amendment supporting organization which is made up of gun owners as well. No one is asking for change in the law.
- Will & Martha Pilling, EBT residents, thanked law enforcement and supervisors and everyone who came out to hear the results regarding the Second Amendment Sanctuary Ordinance.
- Josh Hunt, White Deer resident, thanked the supervisors for letting the public come into express opinions for both side of the Second Amendment Sanctuary.
- Robert Trow, EBT resident, feels it is up to the people in the higher positions to decide what people want right now.
- Jonas Pfleagor, White Deer resident, supports the Second Amendment Resolution and encourages individual that are confused about gun safety to familiarize themselves with the object.
- Pat Piper-Smyer, EBT resident, psychologist, concerned about the easy access the individual has on getting their hands-on guns who clearly shouldn't have been given access to the weapon.
- Erin Brown, EBT resident, Moms Demand Action, thanked all that came out both nights to express their opinion on the gun laws, gun safety and gun rights.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Chairman Schumacher to write and approve Resolution 02-2020 a Second Amendment Sanctuary Resolution.  
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-n; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Schumacher and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the February 10, 2020 meeting minutes as distributed.  
Schumacher-y, Gray-y, Knight-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Schumacher and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to adjourn at 8:02 PM.

Submitted by Jolene D. Helwig, Secretary