

Robinson Township
Board of Supervisors
Regular Meeting
Meeting Minutes and Conditional Use Hearing (5:30 p.m.)
March 11, 2019
6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Robinson Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Monday, March 11, 2019. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rodger Kendall at 5:30 p.m. for the Conditional Use Hearing of Burgettstown Road Associates, LLC.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was conducted.

Present at the meeting were Chairman Rodger Kendall, Vice Chair Mary Donaldson, Supervisor David Foley, Manager/Secretary Crystal Brown, Solicitor Gretchen Moore, Township Engineer Keith Straight, and Zoning Officer Mark Dorsey.

CONDITIONAL USE HEARING

Chairman Kendall turned the meeting over to Solicitor Gretchen Moore. Court Reporter Kim Strnisa was present. Persons wishing to speak were sworn-in. John Heyl, of Lennon Smith Souleret presented details on the Conditional Use Application on behalf of client Burgettstown Road Associates to develop an Industrial Park on Ridge Road. Township Engineer Keith Straight offered his comments on the Application. Complete notes of the commentary can be found in the official court record taken by Ms. Strnisa. No public discussion took place. Rodger Kendall made a minor clarification, and no other Board member had any questions. At this point the Hearing was closed. A brief intermission took place until 6:00 p.m., when the Regular Meeting commenced.

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As noted above, all Supervisors, Solicitor, Engineer, Manager, and Zoning Officer were in place.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION The Chairman asked if anyone wished to speak on agenda items only. No person wished to speak.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Donaldson made a **motion** to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held February 11, 2019. Motion was seconded by Foley.

RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley - Yes

Donaldson made a **motion** to approve the minutes from the Special Meeting, held February 25, 2019. Motion was seconded by Foley.

RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley - Yes

BILLS AND PAYROLL Donaldson made a **motion** to authorize payment of the February bills and payroll. Seconded by Foley.

RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley - Yes

CORRESPONDENCE Donaldson made a **motion** to accept correspondence for February. Seconded by Foley.
RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley – Yes

REPORTS Reports on file: **Fire Department**-Midway on file, McDonald on file
Police-60 calls, read by attending officer
Zoning-on file
Animal Control-15 calls
Supervisors-no comments
Solicitor-Gretchen Moore reminded the audience that a brief Executive Session took place at February’s meeting to discuss pending litigation. She continues to consult with Engineer and Manager on routine legal matters.
Public Works-Rodger Kendall informs that purchase of a new loader is pending, and complimented the Road Crew on excellent road maintenance with snow and tree removal during recent events.
Engineer-on file

Donaldson made a **motion** to accept reports, Seconded by Foley.
RCV: Kendall-Yes, Donaldson-Yes, Foley-Yes.

OLD BUSINESS

Donaldson made a **motion** to approve Ordinance 01-2019, AN ORDINANCE OF ROBINSON TOWNSHIP JOINING WITH OTHER GOVERNMENT ENTITIES...(PLGIT), a municipal banking and investment entity. Motion was seconded by Foley.

Manager provided some background on the PLGIT trust, and explained that it offers a more lucrative return on monies invested than conventional banks.
RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley – Yes

NEW BUSINESS

Donaldson made a **motion** to approve revised subdivision plan submitted by Imperial Land Company of Solar Drive Extension, Phase 4 of Findlay Industrial Park. Motion was seconded by Foley.

John Heyl provided background on this submission, which was required due to parcel number correction and map changes.

RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley – Yes

Donaldson made a **motion** to approve the Conditional Use Application of Burgettstown Road Associates for Ridge Road Industrial Park, Phase 1. Seconded by Foley.

RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley – Yes

Donaldson made a **motion** to approve the Preliminary Subdivision and Land Development Applications of Burgettstown Road Associates for Ridge Road Industrial Park, Phase 1 plan of lots, pending resolution of items in Township Engineer’s comment letter, and final review by Solicitor. Motion was seconded by Foley.

John Heyl gave a brief overview of this plan, and Township Engineer made note of several comments, which are currently being addressed/have been addressed by Applicant.

RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley – Yes

Donaldson made a **motion** to introduce “Amendments to Chapter 27 of the Robinson Township Code by Amending the Zoning Ordinance of Robinson Township and to Provide for Re-zoning of Certain Parcels in the Township, including a Map Change”, send to the Planning Commissions for review, then advertise for a hearing pursuant to the Municipalities Planning Code. Motion was seconded by Foley.

Gretchen Moore provided explanation on this motion. For approximately 2 years, a revision to the Township Zoning Ordinance has been in development with Mackin Engineers. The primary purpose was clean-up, reconciliation, creation of easily referenced Use tables, as well as some parcel changes at the request of residents. Public workshops were advertised and held in the past to gather these requests. Complete editing is not finished, but is very close. Pending some final language changes, the package will be ready for submission to the Planning Commission. Ms. Moore emphasized that all proper reviews, advertising, postings, and hearings will take place before the Amendment comes before the Board.

RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley – Yes

DISCUSSION

Resident Cathy Lodge asked for an update on Beech Hollow Energy Center development. Solicitor Moore reminded her that the general permit is in the public comment phase and is available online from the DEP. Manager provided brief explanation of a correspondence item related to the submission.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the board, Chairman Kendall made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. which was seconded by Foley.

RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley – Yes

Respectfully submitted:

Crystal Brown, Manager