



PERKIOMEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES: JANUARY 14, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Vivian Schoeller, Chairman
Adam Doyle, Vice-Chairman
Dean Becker, Member
Albert Campion, Member
Pamela Margolis, Member

OTHERS PRESENT: Cecile Daniel, Township Manager
Kenneth Picardi, Township Solicitor

A Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, January 14, 2022. There were two items to discuss at this meeting related to Perkiomen Township's Hazard Mitigation Grant Application to PEMA.

First was consider hiring a consultant to assist in the completion of the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Application for those properties that sustained flood damaged during Hurricane Ida. Ms. Daniel informed the Board that she and William Patterson were working to complete the Application but were having trouble with some of the information that PEMA requires. Through other municipalities Ms. Daniel was informed that Susan M. Mazzitelli of SMM Consulting is assisting them. Ms. Daniel contacted Ms. Mazzitelli for information. Ms. Mazzitelli submitted a Letter Agreement for the services she could provide to assist the Township in working through the process that PEMA and FEMA are requiring as part of the Hazard Mitigation Grant. In the information submitted to Ms. Daniel, she indicated she is contracted to assist Upper Providence Township, Lower Providence Township, and Colledgeville Borough. All three municipalities are currently completing the same FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Application as Perkiomen Township. The cost to provide these services to the Township will be \$90.00/hour. Ms. Daniel recommended that the Board consider approving this Letter Agreement. The deadline to file the Hazard Mitigation Grant is Friday, January 21, 2022. Once filed, there may be additional issues related to this Grant that Ms. Mazzitelli can assist the Township with beyond the Application. After review of this information, Pamela Margolis made a motion, seconded by Albert Campion, to approve the Letter Agreement between Perkiomen Township and Susan M. Mazzitelli of SMM Consulting for the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Application. There were no public comments on the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

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Second was the Sub-Applicant Maintenance Agreement Certification that is a requirement of the Hazard Mitigation Grant and must be submitted with the application. Under this agreement the Township and PEMA agree to do the following: (1) to acquire the property voluntarily from the owners and not through eminent domain, (2) to demolish the structures, keep the property as open space in perpetuity, and to establish and maintain a vegetation coverage on the property; (3) that the Township will record Deed Restriction for each property restricting the use of the land to open space in perpetuity; (4) that prior to acquisition, PEMA will consult with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the State Department of Transportation as to any future use of these properties that would affect the project area; (5) that all existing buildings will be removed within ninety days of settlement; (6) that if the Township should decide to transfer the property, this will be done only with the prior approval of the FEMA Regional Director and only to another public entity or qualified conservation organization. (7) that every three years PEMA will inform the Township that it must submit a report that the property has been inspected and that the property is being maintained according to the terms of the grant. If the property is not being maintained according to the terms of the grant, the Township will need to take appropriate steps to bring it back in compliance. (8) that the Township must obtain from each property owner a signed statement of voluntary participation. Since this document is a requirement of the Hazard Mitigation Grant Application, Pamela Margolis made a motion seconded by Vivan Schoeller to approve the Sub-Applicant Maintenance Agreement between Perkiomen Township and Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA). There were no public comments on the motion. The motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

There being no further business before the Board, this special meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cecile M. Daniel

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