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The Harris Town Board strives to enhance the quality of life, protect the environment, and maintain economic stability for the residents of their community.

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January 11, 2021

Security System, Social Media, and Street Lighting Policy
5:00 pm Harris Town Hall

Present: Chair Ken Haubrich, Vice Chair Clayton, Supervisors Gilbert, Kelley and Schack, and Treasurer Nancy Kopacek

Chair Haubrich called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. The pledge to the flag was conducted.

Oath of Office

The oath of office was administered to Newly elected Supervisor Dan Gilbert, at this work session so that he oils participate in the meeting. The oath was also administered to Treasurer Nancy Kopacek as an appointed employee.

The purpose of the work session was to get updated on the security system app, review a social media policy, and pull together a street lighting policy.

Security System

Jody Stewart of Stewart Sound System was not able to be present, so the security system portion will need to be rescheduled.

Social Media Policy

This policy came about from a MAT Session back in December where social media was discussed. Harris Township does have a Facebook page where meetings, and notices are posted for the residents of Harris Township. The policy was reviewed and some minor tweaking was made. The board welcomes constructive criticism on our Facebook page, but it must be done in a respectful manner. Disparaging comments, profanity, threats, violence, sexual content, etc are not allowed and will be included in policy.

A motion was made by Supervisor Kelley and seconded by Supervisor Schack to recommend approval of resolution 2021-007 Social Media, and the Social Media Policy. Motion carried.

Acting Clerk Clayton will make the necessary changes to the policy and the resolution, and will bring them forward to the January 27, 2021 P and D Board Meeting for final approval.

Street lighting Policy

Pulling together a street Lighting Policy came about from a resident requesting additional lighting in their area in the township. The board does not have any policy in place, therefore, the intent was to pull together a policy, of sorts, to deal with this request, and any other requests that may come forward.

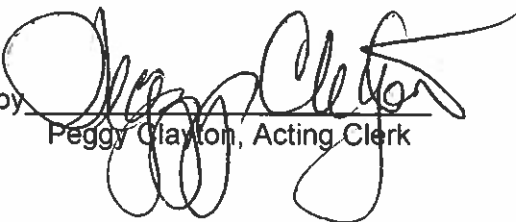
Two street lighting sample policies were discussed. It was the Consensus of the board that if property owners are requesting additional lighting that they must obtain, via petition, a consensus of property owners living

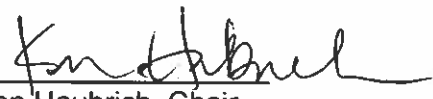
within that area, before they can bring it forward to the board. Any requests will also need to show safety issues/concerns of why the lighting is needed.

A flow chart was discussed. Safety would be the major issue/concern (speed, traffic, and visibility) which the board would look at, when approving street lighting.

Discussion followed on what to include in a policy/resolution. Supervisor Clayton, as acting Clerk, will pull together a draft policy/resolution and forward onto the supervisors, via the clerk email, for review and changes, etc. Any changes, responses, etc. would then be sent back through the clerks email. Final draft will be brought forward to the January P and D board meeting for approval.

There being no further business to come before the work session, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Submitted by 
Peggy Clayton, Acting Clerk

Signed by: 
Ken Haubrich, Chair