

## **West Mead Township Board of Supervisors**

### **Public Study Session Minutes**

**December 8, 2020 - 6:00 p.m.**

Present: Supervisors Bovard, Jordan and Shartle. Also present: Rodney Watkins, Chief Brown, Alan Shaddinger, Mike Crowley and Jill Dunlap.

Note: Boetger Retirement Plan Services recently became part of Definiti LLC, a nationwide company specializing in pension and retirement benefits. There will be no changes to our current plan or the local office or staff who assist us as our pension administrators.

The Chairman noted the above item.

Rodney Watkins of Tapco Companies was present to provide information on a building construction project and stormwater application for their property located at 10748 South Water Street in the West Mead Industrial Park. Their plans include to construct a concrete foundation to be covered by a 120 square feet x 240 square feet Britespan fabric building. This would provide coverage for what is now the existing location of outdoor storage of steel and materials used in their manufacturing process and relocation of existing parking areas. Watkins and a representative from Horizon Engineering had attended the last West Mead Township Planning Commission meeting and discussed the stormwater plans with Township Engineer Steve Halmi. Dunlap and Shartle had been on site and they have reviewed all revised drawings and documents with Steve Halmi, who had requested additional information, elevation certificate and clarifications be provided. Shartle questioned the stormwater catch basins and the use of the existing drainageway from the property onto the neighboring property before entering French Creek. Dunlap noted she had discussed this with Watkins and Horizon and they provided clarification on the stormwater application as this has been an existing drainageway since all property was owned by the Railroad. They will be using local contractors and anticipate an additional 12 employment positions will be filled over the next few years. All agreed they were in favor of this development in the West Mead Industrial Park. Watkins indicated they anticipate obtaining a building permit and any other necessary permits for construction to begin this winter.

The Board reviewed the items on the 7:00 meeting agenda.

The Board discussed the Proposed Budget for 2021 as it will be considered for approval at the main meeting, as prepared and presented at the November meeting with no changes.

The Board discussed a purchase of a new 2020 JCB Backhoe from Stephenson Equipment Inc. and the sale of the current 2009 Backhoe to East Mead Township.

Being no further business, Bovard moved, Jordan moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Dunlap  
Secretary