



## COOLBAUGH TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL CENTER

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### COOLBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

#### WORK SESSION NOTES

September 19, 2017

The work session was called to order by Chairman William Weimer at 6:00 pm in the meeting room of the Coolbaugh Township Municipal Office, 5520 Municipal Drive, Tobyhanna, PA.

#### **Board Members present:**

William Weimer, Anthony Lamantia, Lynn Kelly, Juan Adams and Alma I. Ruiz-Smith

#### **Board Members absent:**

None

#### **Staff present:**

Jerry Hanna, Solicitor, Erin Masker, Recording Secretary, and Maureen Mills, Controller

#### **Staff absent:**

None

Mr. Weimer announced that this work session is being recorded to aid in the preparation of the notes.

#### **1. Pastor Leonon Trawick- Full Gospel Holiness Church of God in Christ Re: LED Lights and Community Center**

Pastor Trawick stated that he contacted the Township a while back and was advised that LED signs are not allowed in Coolbaugh and he would like the Board to consider allowing them to have an LED sign on Summit Avenue as well as a sign on the island by the Salvation Army. Pastor Trawick stated that he would like to partner up with Coolbaugh Township to build a community/civic center that could be located on the land at their church location which could be used to hold functions and would have a gym with classrooms. The building size would be approximately 100'x60' and would be able to hold 200 people. Pastor Trawick said that they are not able to donate the land as it belongs to the church which is a 501 ( c ) (3) and stated that there are ways around the church and state separation. He would like first right of refusal to purchase the Pocono Summit Volunteer Firehouse building should it go up for sale.

- **Discussion:** Mr. Weimer stated that he would need the specifications on the signs in order to have the zoning officers review them and get back to him. Ms. Ruiz-Smith stated that the island by the Salvation Army is owned by Mario Scavello and that he would have to speak to him regarding the use of the land, but also stated that Aldi's will be moving in near that location which will increase the traffic flow therefore the location would be important so as not to impair being able to see oncoming traffic. Mr. Weimer stated that the right of way and site distance will need to be considered. Mr. Adams also stated that parking may be an issue and suggested speaking to area businesses about using their lots after hours. Ms. Ruiz-Smith stated that there is an ordinance that tells you the percentage of parking spots necessary based on the occupancy and building size. Pastor Trawick stated that he is looking at having gospel headliners come into the community through a partnership with Kalahari.

#### **2. Other Business**

Nothing was heard.

#### **3. Public Input**

Nothing was heard

The Work Session ended at 6:23 pm and the Board of Supervisors went into Executive Session until 6:58pm Re: Legal.