

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING OF April 18, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Washington Township Board of Supervisors was held Monday, April 18, 2022.

Those in attendance were Chairman John J. Krause, Chairman Wendell S. Gainer, Sr., Solicitor Rick Wiest and Dawn Koch, TM/Sec/Treasurer.

Chairman Krause opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

CORRESPONDENCE: The following miscellaneous correspondence was received and presented to the Board of Supervisors for their review; a list was also included in the public packet. Received from:

1. Dutchmen MX Park- 2022 permit application
2. Keith Heinbach- tax collector report 3/16-31/2022
3. PA DEP- Approval letter for electronic recycling event
4. Sch. Co. Planning & Zoning- Letter regarding notice of public hearing for 136 Grist Mill for on-site retail sales, 34 Trophy for allow already constructed pole building to remain in the setback, 1230 Deturksville to operate a self-storage development.
5. Blue Mountain Enterprise- Letter regarding notice of log shaving operation
6. HDH Group- 2022-23 insurance binder
7. Sch. Co.- PUTRA utility report
8. MRM Trust- information regarding withdrawing from the trust.
9. Sch. Co. Conservation District- letter regarding the E&S plan review for 361 Moyers Station Road
10. PSATS- 2021 PA Township News archives.
11. PSATS- 2022 proposed bylaw changes, nominations, resolutions
12. Williamson, Friedberg & Jones LLC- Statement of Financial interest forms
13. Light-Heigel & Associates, Inc.- Statement of Financial interest forms
14. PA Township News- April 2022 issue

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: No public comment

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon motion of Chairman Krause, seconded by Vice-Chairman Gainer, approving the minutes to the March 21, 2022, regular monthly meeting, the April 10, 2022, road tour meeting, and the April 14, 2022, special meeting without correction. This motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT AND BILLS FOR APPROVAL: Upon motion of Chairman Krause, seconded by Vice-Chairman Gainer, the March 2022 Treasurer's Report was approved with a balance in all accounts, before receipts and bills, was \$1,390,966.48. Included in this motion was the approval of payment of all bills presented. This motion carried.

RECEIPTS: The report of receipts (March 17 – April 13, 2022) listing \$40,765.20 in EIT receipts and \$43,541.59 in regular General Fund receipts were approved as printed upon motion of Chairman Krause, seconded by Vice-Chairman Gainer. This motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Solicitor Rick Wiest was present with no new business.

ROADMASTER REPORTS: Road Master Brown was not present.

Upon motion made by Chairman Krause, awarding the Wild Cherry cold in place to Recon Construction Services in the amount of \$327,536.00, seconded by Vice-Chairman Gainer. This motion carried.

The line painting was tabled for a future meeting.

COUNTY ZONING: A Planning and Zoning report was reviewed by the Board. A copy of this report will be kept on file at the **Municipal Office**.

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT: A list of March 2021 SEO work was reviewed from JB Environmental Services. A copy of this report will be kept on file at the **Municipal Office**.

BUILDING/DRIVEWAY REPORTS: A list of permits issued was reviewed by the Board. A copy of this report will be kept on file at the **Municipal Office**.

OLD BUSINESS: Koch stated we are still awaiting the permit for the work at Roedersville Road bridge. Once the permit is received, we will be presented with bid documents.

Koch presented the Board with the bid review and recommendation from Wilson Consultant for the Kutz bridge repair. Upon motion made by Chairman Krause, seconded by Vice-Chairman Gainer approving the bid received from low bidder Kevin E. Raker Construction, LLC in the amount of \$434,216.93. This motion carried.

Upon motion made by Chairman Krause, seconded by Vice-Chairman Gainer approving the Construction Oversight Services by Wilson Consultants in the amount of \$25,462.50 for the Kutz bridge project. This motion carried.

Upon motion made by Vice-Chairman Gainer approving the proposal received from Mark J. Sobeck Roofing Consulting, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$1,888.00 for window investigation and report, seconded by Chairman Krause. This motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Solicitor Wiest presented the updated intermunicipal agreement for emergency services. Rick gave a run down of the changes and differences between the old agreement and the new one. Vice-Chairman Gainer instructed Koch to give Pine Grove Borough notice that the current agreement will be ending and propose the new agreement. Give them the option of terminating prior to the 60-day notice if they are in favor of the new agreement. Send Wayne Township a copy of the new agreement for them to review. Rick suggested if they do not want to sign the agreement, we can implement it as a policy giving them their fair share of the workers comp.

Koch gave an update on the requested received from the fire companies for ARPA funds. She stated the only two that have been received are North End and HH&L. After some discussion Koch was instructed to send an email to the remaining two companies informing them that requests are due by end of day Monday, May 9, 2022. Any requests after that time would not be considered.

Upon motion made by Vice-Chairman Gainer approving the 2022 per capita tax exemption submitted by Tax Collector Keith Heinbach, seconded by Chairman Krause. This motion carried.

Upon motion made by Vice-Chairman Gainer approving the Statewide Tax Recovery exemption request for Glen & Beth Ulsh for 2021, seconded by Chairman Krause. This motion carried.

The emergency services letter received by the county was discussed and it was determined that unless the fire companies request help with nuisance calls the township is not going to respond.

Koch presented the Board with ordinance 98-1 regarding the registering of rental properties with the Township office. She requested permission to send known landlords within the township a copy of the ordinance as well as a registration form to complete. With approval she was instructed to put the information on the website as notice to residents.

Koch presented the Board with the cost to pay the road crew for COVID leave in December 2021 and requested \$4,513.87 of the ARPA funds to reimburse the general fund. Upon motion made by Chairman Krause approving the reimbursement, seconded by Vice-Chairman Gainer. This motion called.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors of Washington Township, upon motion of Chairman Krause, seconded by Vice-Chairman Gainer the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m. This motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Dawn A. Koch
TM/Sec/Treas.
Washington Township