

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING OF June 20, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Washington Township Board of Supervisors was held Monday, June 20, 2022.

Those in attendance were Chairman John J. Krause, Chairman Wendell S. Gainer, Sr., Lynn A. Brown, Supervisor, Solicitor Rick Wiest and Dawn Koch, TM/Sec/Treasurer. Also in attendance were Bob Free, John Brommer, Ben Readinger, and Nick Miller.

Chairman Krause opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance. Chairman Krause reminded the residents of the notices, regarding meeting conduct and public comment procedures.

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. Commonwealth of PA Auditor General- 2018-2022 liquid fuels audit
2. Pa Department of Transportation- Liquid fuels current review.
3. JB Environmental, LLC- Information on reported properties on Wild Cherry Road
4. The HDH Group- annual public officials insurance applications
5. Recon- Performance bond, payment bond, certificate of liability
6. Keith Heinbach- May tax collector reports
7. PSATS- Membership card
8. PA Department of Transportation- Multimodal grant extension notice
9. Sch. Co. Assessment office- Change of assessment notice listing
10. Corrado custom homes- certificate of liability
11. HUB International- Insurance renewal packet
12. Leffler Energy-On Road clear diesel certificate renewal
13. Emergency Management of Sch. Co.- Letter regarding changes to policies
14. MRM Trust- Loss activity report for Workers Comp
15. PA Township News- May & June 2022 issues
16. Catalogs, flyers, magazines, etc.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: Resident John Brommer of Grist Mill Road was present and requested a speed control sign be placed on Grist Mill Road. After some discussion and upon motion by Vice-Chairman Gainer approving Township Manager Koch and Road Master Brown to perform a speed study at the intersection of State Route 895 and Grist Mill Road, seconded by Chairman Krause. The motion unanimously approved. The resident has agreed to purchase the speed control signs once the speed study is complete.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon motion of Vice-Chairman Gainer, seconded by Chairman Krause, approving the minutes to the May 16, 2022, work session and regular monthly meeting without correction. This motion unanimously carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT AND BILLS FOR APPROVAL: Upon motion of Vice-Chairman Gainer, seconded by Chairman Krause, the May 2022 Treasurer's Report was approved with a balance in all accounts, before receipts and bills, was \$1,553.374.72. Included in this motion was the approval of payment of all bills presented. This motion unanimously carried.

RECEIPTS: The report of receipts (May 12 – June 15, 2022) listing \$45,825.69 in EIT receipts and \$10,848.24 in regular General Fund receipts were approved as printed upon motion of Vice-Chairman Gainer, seconded by Chairman Krause. This motion unanimously carried.

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

ROADMASTER REPORTS: Road Master Brown stated the Wild Cherry cold in place is tentatively scheduled for the week of July fourth. He stated he contacted Freightliner regarding the purchase of a new truck. The delivery date is two years. Brown also stated the current equipment is all good except for an updated skid loader. He also stated the clutch in the L8000 has been replaced.

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**.

Two letters addressed to Ronald Snyder Kutz Road regarding land development for AG operation were received. Conditional approval has been granted.

Letter addressed to Edwin Gegenheimer Hetzels Church regarding a final minor subdivision at 479 Hetzels Church Road.

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT: A list of May 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 informed the Board that we are still waiting on the GP-11 permit for the Roedersville Road bridge.

Koch updated the Board stating the construction on Kutz Road bridge is scheduled to being August 1, 2022. She informed the Board that she will be filing for an extension of the grant to November 1, 2023.

Koch was instructed to send the window inspection report done by Mark J. Sobeck Roof Consulting, Inc. to Spott's Brothers for review. Upon motion made by Vice-Chairman Gainer

approving the funding to obtain a window replacement design, seconded by Supervisor Brown. This motion unanimously carried.

Koch informed the Board that she received a response from Wayne Township regarding the intermunicipal agreement for emergency services stating the agreement was discussed but no further information was provided. Solicitor Weist stated he spoke with Pine Grove Borough's solicitor who had a few questions which he answered. He also stated they did not have thoughts one way other the other.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Brown approving a one-time \$25,000.00 grant from the ARPA funds to HH&L fire company of Pine Grove and North End fire company of Pine Grove, seconded by Chairman Krause. This motion unanimously carried.

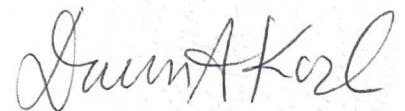
NEW BUSINESS: Upon motion made by Vice-Chairman Gainer approving the 2022 donation of \$4,500.00 each to Pine Grove HH&L Fire Company, Friedensburg Fire Company, and Summit Station Fire Company, North End's donation is to be reduced by the difference in the overage from 2021, seconded by Chairman Krause. This motion unanimously carried.

The Board asked if the Tax Collector has ever provided documentation for exemption. After some discussion Koch was instructed to add the percapita exemption to the work session agenda to discuss required documentation for the 2023 tax year. Upon motion made by Vice-Chairman Gainer approving the 2022 Per-Capita tax exemption requests presented by Tax Collector Keith Heinbach, seconded by Supervisor Brown. This motion unanimously carried.

The Board instructed Koch to send a letter with a copy of the speed study due on Ferebees road at the intersection of Wild Cherry and Oak Roads informing the owner of the obstruction and the requirements of PA Vehicle Code, Title 75, Section 6112.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors of Washington Township, upon motion of Chairman Krause, seconded by Supervisor Brown the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. This motion unanimously carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



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