

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING OF:
October 21, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the Washington Township Board of Supervisors was held Monday, October 21, 2024.

Those in attendance were Chairman John J. Krause, Vice-Chairman Eric Wolfe, Supervisor/Roadmaster Lynn Brown, Secretary/Treasurer Holly Reinford, and Solicitor Rick Wiest. Also in attendance were Mike Urban, Robert Brown, Bobby Brown, Jackson Snuffer, and Nancy Welty.

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. 9/1/2024-9/30/2024 Tax Collector's Remittance Report
2. RoadSafe Traffic Systems, Inc Line Painting Estimate
3. North End Fire Company Run Report: September
4. PA811 2023 Annual Report
5. Unemployment Compensation Group Trust 2025 Contribution Rate
6. Pine Grove Lions Club 77th Annual Holiday Classic Parade October 19th
7. MRM Trust: Certificate of Participation
8. Certificate of Liability Insurance: Dave Miller & Sons, Inc
9. Upset Sale Bidder List
10. Department of Auditor General: Management Representation Letter
11. FCCB – Statement
12. Fulton Bank – Statement
13. PLGIT - Statement

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: Resident Nancy Welty was given an opportunity to speak at the end of the meeting, as she missed the public comment period. She stated she went to another township's meeting and her name was brought up in regards to happenings here at Washington Township.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon motion of Chairman Krause, seconded by Supervisor Brown, approving the minutes for September 16, 2024, regular monthly meeting without correction. This motion unanimously carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT AND BILLS FOR APPROVAL: Upon motion of Supervisor Brown, seconded by Vice-Chairman Wolfe, the September 12, 2024 – October 17, 2024, Treasurer's Report was approved with a balance in all accounts, before receipts and bills, was

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\$1,206,695.44. Included in this motion was the approval of payment of all bills presented. This motion unanimously carried.

RECEIPTS: The report of receipts (September 12, 2024 – October 17, 2024) listing \$36,837.83 in EIT receipts and \$43,116.91 in regular General Fund receipts was approved as printed upon motion of Chairman Krause, seconded by Supervisor Brown. This motion unanimously carried.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT: Solicitor Wiest stated he has not heard anything further from Zoning and the matter is considered closed.

ROADMASTER REPORTS: Roadmaster Brown stated his road crew started prepping for winter and putting summer away. He is working on the Zipper recall due to DEF, at no cost to the township. Upcoming work will be getting trucks inspected, cutting shoulders, and placing winter markers.

COUNTY ZONING:

- a. DEP Sewage Facilities Planning Module: Kramer Subdivision
- b. Schuylkill Zoning: Submitted Plan is Administratively Complete: Preliminary/Final Minor Subdivision Plan Kramer Minor Subdivision
- c. DEP Approval Letter – Exemption: McHugh Subdivision
- d. DEP Local Municipality Involvement Process Meeting: Permit Modification for Southwest Expansion at Commonwealth Environmental Systems Landfill
- e. Schuylkill Zoning: Zoning Permit Application Denial: Vernon Leid Nursery Barn (Swine)

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

OLD BUSINESS/FOLLOW-UP 9/16/2024: Follow-up Elizabeth Griffiths – Modification of an Agricultural Security Area. Chairman Krause motioned to accept Elizabeth Griffiths’ modification of an Agricultural Security Area, seconded by Vice-Chairman Wolfe. This motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS 9/16/2024: August 2024 Tax Exemption Requests: Chairman Krause motioned to accept the July 2024 tax exemptions submitted by tax collector Keith Heinbach, seconded by Supervisor Brown. This motion unanimously carried.

Christian Lengel, on behalf of the Teener League, asked the Board of Supervisors if the league could haul in and spread dirt on the field as well as add batting cages. Lengel provided a sketch overview of the batting cages. Chairman Krause motioned that the Teener League may haul in dirt and put in batting cages for use by the league and residents, seconded by Vice-Chairman Wolfe. This motion unanimously carried.

Washington Township received an email from a resident on Loop Rd asking for speed limit signs along the road. Roadmaster Brown stated two “narrow road” signs and two “watch children” signs have been and will be placed along the road.

3272 Sweet Arrow Lake was discussed, as it came in as a complaint by a resident, that they are looking to sell their home and have concerns about junk on a neighboring property. Chairman Krause stated this is to be handled by the county.

9 Pickerel Lane was discussed, as it came in as a complaint by a resident, that there is talk of potential AirBnB cabins being built as well as a cesspool. Secretary/Treasurer Reinford had reached out to County Zoning to pass along the concern. At this time no permits or construction have been obtained or started.

NEW BUSINESS 10/21/2024: September 2024 Tax Exemption Requests: moved to October 21, 2024 meeting.

Kurtz Solar Farm: a gentleman from TRC was to speak regarding the solar farm. He did not show up.

Chairman Krause motioned to transfer \$23,516.65, the cost of Loop Rd bridge, from ARPA funds to General Funds, seconded by Vice-Chairman Wolfe. This motion unanimously carried.

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 Wolfe the meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m. This motion unanimously carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly Reinford
Secretary/Treasurer
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