

PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

John E. Schroeder • J. Pepper Goslin • Lori L. Crossen
Monday through Thursday, closed Friday | Hours: 6:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. | Meeting: First Monday, 7:00 p.m.



SUPERVISORS MEETING **February 7, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Providence Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Township Municipal Office on Monday, February 7, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chairman J. Pepper Goslin, Vice Chairman John Schroeder, Member Lori Crossen, Township Manager Vicki Eldridge, Solicitor Melvin Newcomer and ten (10) observers.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Goslin at 7:00 P.M followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Mr. Goslin announced that the board of supervisors held an Executive Session on Friday, January 14, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter.

Mr. Goslin explained that each Supervisor received a copy of the written minutes from the January 3, 2022, budget workshop as presented. Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to approve the minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

- Vicki Eldridge read the financial report.
- Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to ratify the payment of January bills in the amount of \$68,793.39 from the general fund and \$4,634.88 from the state account. The motion was carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF BUDGET

- Mrs. Eldridge stated that during the month of January, earned income tax and transfer tax continued to come in higher than our expected monthly budgeted amounts. Most of these increases are due to the Creekside Development. At this time, there were no other significant line items to mention.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- David Fite was in attendance to continue to express the issues his "55 and Older Community" located at Fite Way are experiencing due to the neighboring construction of the Creekside Development. Mr. Fite asked the supervisors for help with the mud and dirt issues. He also stated he is still concerned with the huge mountain of topsoil that is located so close to the homes on Fite Way.
- Carol Fite expressed concerns about the erosion and other issues that the Creekside Development is creating for the residents of Fite Way.
- David Beiler asked for clarification about placing compact fill on his property located on Lancaster Pike. Mr. Beiler assumed that the supervisors agreed at the December 13th meeting that he could bring more fill into this property and compact and place it. According

to Mr. Beiler, the zoning officer is saying that no additional fill may be brought onto this site. Due to the confusion in the January 3, 2022, minutes, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to clarify that additional fill may be brought to this site located at 748 and 752 Lancaster Pike to be compacted and placed. Fill already located on the site may be compacted and placed as well. This may only be permitted if it is compliance with the NPDES permit for this project. The motion was carried unanimously.

ROADMASTER REPORT

Vicki Eldridge, Township Manager, reported the following for the roadmaster.

In January the crew worked on the following:

- Cleared snow and ice for 9 different winter storms, the crew was out 18 times for these events
- Washing trucks
- Unloading trucks
- Storm preparation of equipment
- Truck servicing
- Repaired a frost heave in the 100 block of Mount Hope School Road.
- Removed large tree on Miller Road
- Worked to clear pipes, inlets and shoulders to prevent road icing
- Replaced HVAC loop pump to restore heat

In February the road crew will work on the following projects:

- Tree trimming
- Scheduling work projects for 2022

PARKS/RECREATION REPORT

- Mr. Goslin announced the next parks/recreation committee meeting will be held on Thursday, March 10, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.
- Following discussion, the township manager was directed to get pricing from the Quarryville Borough Police Department to patrol the Fairview 1 Trailhead.

SOUTHERN LANCASTER COUNTY INTERMUNICIPAL COUNCIL REPORT

- The next meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the East Drumore Township Office.
- Mr. Goslin stated that reorganization took place at the January meeting. Reber Testerman, from Rep. Cutler's office was in attendance to discuss different issues that are currently before the legislature.

OLD BUSINESS

- Following a brief discussion, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to return all funding associated with the American Rescue Plan Act to the federal government. This includes both installments due to the township. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Following discussion regarding the remaining Covid Cares Act Funds, additional items suggested by the road foreman for purchase were authorized. All remaining funds after these purchases will be used for our annual National Night Out Event.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. Goslin announced the township offices will be closed on Monday, February 21, 2022, in honor of President's Day.
- Mr. Goslin announced that due to the President's Day Holiday, the Providence Township Planning Commission Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 22, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

- Mr. Goslin announced the zoning workshop will be held on Monday, February 28, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.
- Mr. Goslin announced LG Health will hold a blood drive at the township office on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.
- Following discussion regarding the sale of excess salt to Mount Airy Lumber, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to sell up to 30 tons of salt for \$62.28/ton to Mt. Airy Lumber. Mt. Airy Lumber is responsible for loading the salt and delivering weight tickets to the township office for each load. Salt must be purchased no later than April 30, 2022. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Following a brief discussion, the supervisors agreed to host the annual National Night Out Event to be held on Tuesday, August 2, 2022, from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

SEWAGE OFFICER

- Marvin Stoner submitted his 2021-year end report for filing with the Department of Environmental Protection.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Secretary:

- Receipts totaling \$67,566.99 were recorded in the month of January.
- Maher Duessel has completed the 2021 audit with no findings to date.
- All mandatory forms and reports, including liquid fuels usage report, survey of financial condition and report of elected and appointed officials have been completed and filed with the state

ZONING REPORT

- **Subdivision Escrow Release, John Glick.** Following a brief discussion, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to release subdivision escrow in the total amount of \$250.00. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Lancaster Pike Properties LLC, PT-319FP-21 (PT-310PP-21), 748/752 Lancaster Pike.** The plan received conditional approval on January 3, 2022. Following discussion, Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to grant a waiver of SWMO Section 3.02.A.2.c, loading ratios. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Emanuel Glick, Outstanding Invoice, 1361 Byerland Church Road.** An invoice was sent on July 27, 2021, for cost of Solanco Engineering Associates LLC to review the storm water small project application. A second notice was sent on September 15, 2021, a final notice was sent on November 8, 2021, and a letter was sent on December 16, 2021. There has been no contact or payment. Following discussion, the supervisors directed the zoning officer to send another request for payment and to reach out to Mr. Glick by telephone as well.
- **Steve Groff Masonry, PT-291SWM-20, 944 Lancaster Pike, Escrow Reduction.** An escrow reduction request inspection was performed by Solanco Engineering Associates, LLC on January 14, 2022, and a review letter dated January 21, 2022, was submitted. The original amount of escrow is \$63,868.00. The recommendation per the review letter is to reduce the escrow by \$39,161.70 and establish a new amount of \$24,706.30 which includes the 10% contingency factor. Following discussion, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to reduce the escrow amount for Steve Groff Masonry, PT-291SWM-20, 944 Lancaster Pike by \$39,161.70 and establish a new amount of \$24,706.30 which includes the 10% contingency factor. The motion was carried unanimously.

- **Enforcement Notice, Michelle A Forwood, 31 Scheller Road.** A short-term rental/vacation rental is operating at the property. **Compliance Date: December 1, 2021.** The short-term rental/vacation rental is still operating at the property. The BOS directed Mel to send a letter at the December 13, 2021, meeting. Mr. Newcomer sent a letter on December 22, 2021, there has been no contact. Following discussion, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to file this matter at the district magistrate. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Enforcement Notice, Benjamin T and Miriam E Esch, 48 Woods Drive.** A pond was installed on the property and there was no PA DEP permit or letter indicating that the proposed use does not require a PA DEP permit. **Compliance Date: December 8, 2021.** Property owner was in on **December 9, 2021,** just received enforcement notice in the mail. Gave Mr. Esch contact information for Lancaster County Conservation District. The BOS directed a letter be sent giving an additional 30 days at the December 13, 2021, meeting. A letter was sent, no further contact has been made. Following discussion, the supervisors authorized the township solicitor to send a letter to the Esch's.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- At approximately 9:06 p.m., Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to enter into an Executive Session to discuss a personnel and real estate matter. The motion was carried unanimously.
- At approximately 9:53 p.m., Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to exit the Executive Session. The motion was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

- With no further business, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to adjourn the meeting at 9:56 p.m. The motion was carried unanimously.

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ATTEST: _____
Vicki L. Eldridge, Secretary

J. Pepper Goslin, Chairman

John E. Schroeder, Vice Chairman

Lori L. Crossen, Member