

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 **September 12, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Providence Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Township Municipal Office on Monday, September 12, 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 sixteen (16) observers.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Goslin at 7:00 P.M. Chairman Goslin offered prayer which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

BID AWARD

Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to award the sale of the 4 Ford Super Duty Aluminum Wheels to the highest bidder, Jesse McMichael in the amount of \$100.00. The motion was carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

Robert May, Executive Director of LEMSA presented information regarding the financial status of LEMSA and asked for a charitable contribution from Providence Township.

Jim Herr, President of the Quarryville Fire Company, gave an update on the fire company and asked for an increase in the contribution from the township. They would like to see the contribution doubled to \$15,000.

Mr. Goslin explained that each Supervisor received a copy of the written minutes from the August 1, 2022, supervisors meeting as presented. With no additions or corrections to the minutes, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to approve the minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

- Vicki Eldridge read the financial report.
- Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to ratify the payment of August bills in the amount of \$592,787.38 from the general fund. The motion was carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF BUDGET

- Mrs. Crossen asked what the line item "Federal Entitlement" is used for.
- Mr. Goslin invited everyone to attend the upcoming budget workshops.
- Mr. Goslin stated several of our revenue categories have already exceeded the annual budgeted line items. He also explained that we returned all the ARPA monies.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Sis Conrad asked if the police have made any arrests on the trail.
- Merv Conrad said he noticed horse tracks on the trail. He stated he is against police patrolling the trail at this time. He feels that is a waste of money.

ROADMASTER REPORT

Vicki Eldridge, Township Manager, reported the following for the roadmaster. In August, the road crew worked on the following:

- Cleaned swales on Refton and Schoolhouse Road.
- Swept excess stone from patching and seal coating.
- Prepared inlets for paving projects.
- Paving completed on Byerland Church Road, Herrville Road and Penny Road.
- Replaced bristles on the sweeper broom.
- Continued road bank mowing.
- Marked centerlines on roads for line painting.
- Line painting was completed.
- Cleaned up debris and trees from storm damage.
- Safety meeting topic was "Burns".

In September we will begin gutter cleaning, pour concrete at 3 different locations and finish road bank mowing. Swale work will be completed in the 100 and 400 block of Pennsy Road.

Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to advertise to sell 280' of 30" ADS Bell Pipe on Municibid.com. The motion was carried unanimously.

Following discussion regarding Dolores Harnish's request to vacate a portion of Mt. Hope School Road, the supervisors asked the manager to gather more information so this can be discussed at the October supervisors meeting.

Following a discussion regarding bamboo issues along several roads, the supervisors asked Mr. Newcomer to investigate ideas to resolve these issues.

PARKS/RECREATION REPORT

- Mr. Goslin announced the next parks/recreation committee meeting will be held on Thursday, November 17, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.
- Following discussion regarding a letter of support for Quarryville Borough's request to Lancaster County for ARPA funding, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to authorize the township manager to remove the second to last sentence in the third paragraph of the letter, sign the letter and submit to the Borough. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Following a discussion regarding the request to have a night ride on the trail, the supervisors agreed to this request which will be held on September 17 with a rain date of October 4.

SOUTHERN LANCASTER COUNTY INTERMUNICIPAL COUNCIL REPORT

- Mrs. Crossen attended the last meeting. She gave copies of handouts to the supervisors. The meeting continued discussions with representatives of the Lancaster County Planning Commission to formulate a regional comprehensive plan.

- The next meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the East Drumore Township Office.

OLD BUSINESS

- Rob Troxell was in attendance to request a letter of support as well as financial support for Upward Broadband's proposal to the Lancaster County Commissioners for ARPA Funding. At this time, the supervisors did not act on this request.

NEW BUSINESS

- Following discussion regarding leasing the new truck and dump body, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to finance the 2023 Western Star Chassis with dump body in the amount of \$236,001.58 through Municipal Capital Finance (a division of Uninvest) at a rate of 3.75% and authorize the township manager to execute all documentation associated with the lease. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mr. Goslin announced the budget workshops will be held on the following Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.: September 28, October 5, October 26, November 2 and November 16.
- Mr. Goslin announced there will be a zoning workshop held on Monday, October 24, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.
- Mr. Goslin announced the township will host wood yard waste collection days for township residents from 8:00 a.m. until noon on Saturday, October 1 and October 15. Only woody yard waste will be accepted. Grass clippings, leaves and hardscape items will not be accepted. The drop-off is limited to Providence Township Residents.
- Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to advertise the intent to appoint Maher Duessel as the certified public accounting firm to audit the accounts of Providence Township for 2022. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to adopt Resolution No. 22-07, establishing a periodic inspection schedule and policy for determining payments to the Providence Township Stormwater Maintenance Fund for certain privately owned and maintained stormwater management facilities. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to adopt Resolution No. 22-08 adopting the 2022 LIMC Trick-or-Treat Policy. The motion was carried unanimously.

SEWAGE OFFICER

- Marvin Stoner issued 2 sewage permits with \$200.00 submitted to the township for the month of August.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Secretary:

- Receipts totaling \$215,764.49 were recorded in the month of August.
- The Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for our employee pension plan for 2023 is \$45,761.00.

ZONING REPORT

- **Creskide Subdivision Escrow Release: Lancaster Home Builders-\$250.00; Laurel Inn the Hollow-\$200.00.** Following discussion, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to release subdivision escrow in the total amount of \$450.00. The motion carried with two favorable votes. Mr. Goslin abstained as Laurel Inn the Hollow is his project.

- **Christ Fisher Storm Water Management Plan, PT-326SWM-22, 312 Sawmill Road:** The plan proposes to construct high tunnel greenhouses and a barn. There was no one in attendance to discuss this plan; therefore the supervisors tabled this discussion.
- **Jonas Esch, Letter of Credit Reduction, 227 Schoolhouse Road:** The original letter of credit was for \$61,472.73. The letter of credit was last reduced on August 3, 2020, to a new amount of \$25,582.23. Mark Deimler, Solanco Engineering Associates, LLC performed a site inspection on August 2, 2022, and as-built plan review and submitted review letters dated August 7, 2022. The recommendation per the review letter is to reduce the letter of credit by \$20,439.23 and establish the new amount of \$5,143.00. Following discussion, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to reduce the Letter of Credit No. 132394156 from Univest Bank and Trust Co. by \$20,439.23 and establish the new amount of \$5,143.00. The Letter of Credit is in the name of Jonas and Malinda Esch, for stormwater improvements at 227 Schoolhouse Road, PT-279SWM-19. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Susquehanna Ford, PT-306FP-21, 150 Lancaster Pike South, Landscaping:** The recorded plan had 6 (six) trees located on the property to screen from the adjoining property to the south. The owner has since purchased the property to the south of the site. Damian Wissler was in attendance to discuss this plan. Following discussion, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to grant a waiver of Section 609 to remove the 6 (six) trees indicated on the approved site plans on the property to screen from the adjoining property to the south. The motion was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

- With no further business, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 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