

PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Lori L. Crossen • John E. Schroeder • J. Pepper Goslin

Monday through Thursday, closed Friday | Hours: 6:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. | Meeting: First Monday, 7:00 p.m.



SUPERVISORS MEETING **June 5, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Providence Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Township Municipal Office on Monday, June 5, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chairman Lori L. Crossen, Vice Chairman John Schroeder, Member J. Pepper Goslin, Township Manager Vicki Eldridge, Solicitor Melvin Newcomer and sixteen (16) observers.

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

Mrs. Crossen explained that each Supervisor received a copy of the written minutes from the May 1, 2023, 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.
- Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to ratify the payment of the May bills in the amount of \$154,245.48 from the general fund. The motion was carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF BUDGET

- There were no comments regarding the budget at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Jim Stack was in attendance to continue to discuss the possibility of opening a mountain bike trail near the Groff Trailhead.
- Ron Munro asked why the township did not accept street dedication in the new Creekside Development.
- Virginia Daddiego voiced her concerns about speeding on Pennsy Road in the vicinity of Smithville Church of God.
- Judy Guiliano expressed concerns about speeding on Penny Road in the vicinity of Smithville Church of God.
- Hip Montano had concerns regarding stormwater on his Mount Hope School Road Property.
- Jim Harnish voiced concern about speeding on Pennsy Road in the vicinity of Smithville Church of God.

ROADMASTER REPORT

Jim Grube, Township Roadmaster, reported during the month of May, the road crew worked on the following:

- Mowed road banks.
- Mowed one cut on each side of entire trail.
- Replaced a failing pipe in the 100 block of Mount Airy Road.
- Completed a pipe replacement, installed 3 new cross pipes and a French mattress on Snyder Hollow Road for Lancaster County Conservation District LVR grant.

During the month of June, we will be replacing 200' of corrugated metal pipe in the 100 block of Mount Hope School Road with perforated pipe in an attempt to eliminate a water issue in the roadbed. Pennsy Road west of 272 will have areas milled and repaved. The AMS patch truck will be doing patching. This month's safety meeting is on "Working in the Heat".

PARKS/RECREATION REPORT

- Mrs. Crossen announced the next parks/recreation committee meeting will be held on Thursday, July 13, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.
- Following a discussion on the Mountain Bike Park along the trail, those involved were invited to attend the Parks/Rec Committee Meeting to further discuss their ideas. The Township Manager did speak to Quarryville Borough Zoning Officer regarding the use of that property. The township would need to apply to the Quarryville Borough Zoning Hearing Board for a use variance to allow the Mountain Bike Park. Mr. Schroeder feels someone from the township should have oversight over this area just like we do for the Enola Low Grade Trail.

SOUTHERN LANCASTER COUNTY INTERMUNICIPAL COUNCIL REPORT

- Mrs. Crossen announced the next meeting is scheduled for June 20, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the East Drumore Township Office. Mr. Goslin plans to attend this meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

- Following a brief discussion, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to authorize the Chairman to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between American Rivers, Inc., Providence Township, and Pequea Township for the work on the Radcliff Road Bridge Removal Project. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Following a brief discussion regarding a dehumidification system in the township office, the township manager was directed to acquire two more quotes for this project.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mrs. Crossen announced LG Health will hold a blood drive at the township office on Tuesday, June 6, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.
- Mrs. Crossen announced the township offices will be closed on Tuesday, July 4 in celebration of Independence Day.
- Mrs. Crossen announced the July supervisor's meeting will be held on Monday, July 10 at 7:00 p.m.
- Mrs. Crossen announced the zoning workshop will be held on Monday, June 26, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

SEWAGE OFFICER

- Mark Deimler issued 2 sewage permits and completed 8 perc and probe tests with a total of \$5,020.00 remitted to the township for the month of May.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Secretary:

- Receipts totaling \$335,014.42 were recorded in the month of May.

ZONING REPORT

- **John M Esh Final Subdivision Plan, PT-328FP-23, 122 Krantz Mill Road:** This plan was conditionally approved at the March BOS meeting. There is a waiver request. Following discussion, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to grant a waiver of SWMO Section 3.02.A.(2)(c), Loading Ratios. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Jonas and Malinda Esch, PT-279SWM-19, Letter of Credit Release, 227 Schoolhouse Road:** The letter of credit was last reduced on September 12, 2022, to an amount of \$5,143.00. Solanco Engineering Associates, LLC performed a letter of credit reduction inspection and submitted a review letter dated May 24, 2023. The recommendation in the review letter is to release the remaining financial security. Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder, to release Letter of Credit No. 132394156 from Univest Bank and Trust Co. The Letter of Credit is in the name of Jonas and Malinda Esch for the 227 Schoolhouse Road stormwater improvements. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Evergreen Wissler Holdings, LLC, Susquehanna Ford, Letter of Credit Reduction, 150 Lancaster Pike South:** The original letter of credit was \$948,103.42. The last reduction was approved on August 1, 2022, and established the new amount of \$443,829.85. Solanco Engineering Associates, LLC performed a letter of credit reduction inspection and submitted a review letter dated June 2, 2023. The recommendation in the review letter is to reduce the amount by \$406,334.85 and establish the new amount of \$37,495.00. Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to reduce Letter of Credit No. 88778223 from Citizens & Northern Bank from \$443,829.85 by \$406,334.85 and establish the new amount of \$37,495.00. The Letter of Credit is in the name of Evergreen Wissler Holdings, LLC. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Lancaster Pike Properties LLC, Letter of Credit Reduction, 748 Lancaster Pike:** The original letter of credit was \$829,201.73. The last reduction was approved on December 12, 2022, and established the new amount of \$682,070.23. Solanco Engineering Associates, LLC performed a letter of credit reduction inspection on May 30, 2023, and submitted a review letter dated June 1, 2023. The recommendation per the review letter is to reduce the letter of credit by \$304,778.95 and establish the new amount of \$377,291.28. Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to reduce Letter of Credit No. 132487331 from Univest Bank and Trust Co. from \$682,070.23 by \$304,778.95 and establish the new amount of \$377,291.28. The Letter of Credit is in the name of Lancaster Pike Properties LLC. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Enforcement Notice, John E and Naomi S Stoltzfus, 541 Cinder Road:** An enforcement notice was issued on February 1, 2023, for a greenhouse constructed on the property without permits. Compliance Date: March 3, 2023. Received phone call from Aaron Stoltzfus (brother) on March 2, 2023, emailed information to Mr. Stoltzfus and he asked for more time. BOS gave until April 3, 2023, meeting. Spoke to Naomi Stoltzfus at the 541 Cinder Road address on March 20, 2023. Isaac Lapp (part of their support group) called on March 22, 2023, to discuss, mailed information to him based on our conversation, the size would require a stormwater management plan. Mr. Newcomer mailed a letter on April 13, 2023. Isaac Lapp called, and someone will be attending the BOS meeting on May 1, 2023,

to discuss a timeline. BOS gave until 6/1/23 to formally retain a qualified professional to complete a stormwater management plan and notify the township of this retainment and timeline for completion of said plan of improvements. Isaac Lapp called on May 15, 2023, working with RAV Associates. Rob Visniski (RAV Associates) called on June 1, 2023, does not have a timeline at this point, would like to discuss stormwater options with Mark Deimler first. Following discussion, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder, to proceed to the District Magistrate to file a civil complaint. The motion was carried unanimously.

- **AJ Home Solutions LLC, Well Isolation Request, 69 Hawthorne Circle:** A request to locate a drain field within 100’ from the existing well at 69 Hawthorne Circle. Following discussion, Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to allow the new drain field to be within 100’ of the well on 69 Hawthorne Circle, with the following conditions: 1)The new drain field shall be no closer than 66’ from the existing well on site and 100’ or more from any other property owner’s well; 2) The property owner(s) must enter into a satisfactory, recorded indemnification agreement with the Township, holding the Township harmless of any claim or lability from the granting of this waiver; 3) The agreement shall be recorded prior to the issuance of a sewage permit by the Sewage Enforcement Officer; and 4) The property owner is responsible for any legal fees incurred in the preparation of the agreement and the recording of the agreement. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Harold R and Deborah S Ross, PT-274FP-19, Letter of Credit Reduction, 2328 Beaver Valley Pike:** The original letter of credit is \$69,348.40. Solanco Engineering Associates, LLC performed a letter of credit reduction inspection on May 16, 2023, and submitted a review letter dated June 1, 2023. The recommendation per the review letter is to reduce the letter of credit by \$55,171.05 and establish the new amount of \$14,177.35. Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder, to reduce Letter of Credit No. 132448226 from Univest Bank and Trust Co. from \$69,348.40 by \$55,171.05 and establish the new amount of \$14,177.35. The Letter of Credit is in the name of Harold R and Deborah S Ross for the Ross Project-Stormwater Management. The motion was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

- With no further business, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m. The motion was carried unanimously.

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ATTEST: _____
Vicki L. Eldridge, Secretary

Lori L. Crossen, Chairman

John E. Schroeder, Vice Chairman

J. Pepper Goslin, Member