

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 **July 10, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Providence Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Township Municipal Office on Monday, July 10, 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 eleven (11) 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 June 5, 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.

Mrs. Crossen explained that each Supervisor received a copy of the written minutes from the June 26, 2023, zoning workshop as presented. With no additions or corrections to the minutes, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, 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. Schroeder, to ratify the payment of the June bills in the amount of \$119,696.35 from the general fund. The motion was carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF BUDGET

- Mr. Goslin thanked the township manager for managing the township budget well.
- There were no other comments regarding the budget at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Sis Conrad had questions about alcohol being served at the Buck Motorsports Facility.
- Jim Harnish asked for an update on solutions to reduce speeding on Pennsy Road in the vicinity of Smithville Church of God.
- Kanah Kreider expressed her concerns over speeding on Pennsy Road in the vicinity of Smithville Church of God.
- Shirley Fulton expressed her concerns over speeding on Pennsy Road in the vicinity of Smithville Church of God.

ROADMASTER REPORT

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

- Completed first round of road bank mowing.
- Completed the Lancaster County Conservation Grant work on 200 block of Snyder Hollow Road replaced one cross pipe, installed 3 new cross pipes and added a French mattress.
- Hauled milled asphalt from Pennsy Road on the west side for mill and fill project.
- Replaced a 30" cross pipe on Woods Drive and added an end wall and headwall.
- Removed three trees across roads after regular work hours.
- Trimmed vegetation for sight distance at Main Street and Route 222.
- Replaced 170' of corrugated metal pipe in the 100 block of Mount Hope School Road with perforated pipe to eliminate ice issue in winter.
- Spaced and secured all boards on Sigman Trail Bridge.

During the month of July, the following has/will occur:

- Sealcoat completed.
- Repaired guide rail on Pennsy Road that was hit by fallen tree.
- Trimmed vegetation for sight distance at Truce and Clearfield Road.
- Replacing large cross pipe in the first block of Clearfield Road.
- Spot rut paving on Clearfield and Mount Hope School Road.
- Starting second round of road bank mowing as time and weather dictates.
- Line painting will be completed.
- Preparing shop and grounds ready for National Night Out.

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.
- Mrs. Eldridge gave an update on the signage for the East State Street Trailhead.

SOUTHERN LANCASTER COUNTY INTERMUNICIPAL COUNCIL REPORT

- Mr. Goslin gave an update on the previous meeting. The LCPC representatives were in attendance to continue to discuss regional planning. Representatives from the Northwest Ambulance Authority were in attendance to share information about the newly established Authority.
- Mrs. Crossen announced the next meeting is scheduled for August 15, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the East Drumore Township Office. Mr. Goslin plans to attend this meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

- There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mrs. Crossen announced the township will be hosting a "National Night Out" Crime and Drug Prevention Event on Tuesday, August 1, 2023. Please join us for free food, fun, family/kids activities, displays and demonstrations which will show appreciation to our local emergency responders. The event will take place here at the township facility from 6:00 p.m. through 8:00 p.m.
- Mrs. Crossen announced LG Health will hold a blood drive at the township office on Tuesday, August 1, from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.
- Following a discussion regarding adding Jim Grube as a signer, the supervisors tabled this until a later date.

- Following discussion regarding the proposed Farmland Trust Preservation of the farm located at 71 Frogtown Road, the supervisors are not opposed to this preservation even though the farm is zoned R-2.

SEWAGE OFFICER

- Mark Deimler issued 2 sewage permits and completed 2 perc and probe tests with a total of \$2,495.00 remitted to the township for the month of June.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Secretary:

- Receipts totaling \$105,728.64 were recorded in the month of June.

ZONING REPORT

- **Benuel K King, PT-310FP-21, Letter of Credit Reduction, 816 Lancaster Pike:** The original letter of credit amount is \$245,688.00. Solanco Engineering Associates, LLC performed a letter of credit reduction inspection on May 30, 2023, and submitted a review letter dated June 14, 2023. The recommendation per the review letter is reduce the letter of credit by \$134,984.00 and establish the new amount of \$110,704.00. Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder, to reduce Letter of Credit No. 132472457 from Univest Bank and Trust Co. from \$245,688.00 by \$134,984.00 and establish the new amount of \$110,704.00. The Letter of Credit is in the name of Benuel K King. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Laurel Inn the Hollow, LLC, J Pepper Goslin, Letter of Credit Release, 64 Snyder Hollow Road:** The last reduction was approved on December 12, 2022, and established the new amount of \$6,953.20. Solanco Engineering Associates, LLC performed a letter of credit release inspection and submitted a review letter dated June 15, 2023. The recommendation per the review letter is to release the letter of credit remaining amount of \$6,953.20. Mr. Goslin recused himself from this discussion since he has a personal interest in this matter. Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder, to release Letter of Credit No. 609023-0001 from Members 1st Federal Credit Union in the remaining amount of \$6,953.20. The Letter of Credit is in the name of Laurel Inn the Hollow, LLC. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Creekside Subdivision Final Phase 2, Letter of Credit Reduction, 470 Fairview Road:** The Letter of Credit was last reduced at the April 3, 2023, Board of Supervisors meeting for \$277,881.00 and established the new amount of \$623,302.92. Solanco Engineering Associates, LLC performed a letter of credit reduction inspection and submitted a review letter dated June 19, 2023. The recommendation per the review letter is to reduce the letter of credit by \$65,326.30 and establish the new amount of \$557,976.62. Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to reduce the Letter of Credit No. STB594 from Fulton Bank from \$623,302.92 by \$65,326.30 and establish the new amount of \$557,976.62. The Letter of Credit is in the name of Joseph G Nadu, Jr. for the completion of Creekside Phase 2, PT-309FP-21. The motion was carried unanimously.

- Creekside Subdivision Final Phase 3 and 4, Letter of Credit Reduction, 470 Fairview Road:** The Letter of Credit was last reduced at the April 3, 2023, Board of Supervisors meeting for \$1,057,724.00 and established the new amount of \$1,598,574.75. Solanco Engineering Associates, LLC performed a letter of credit reduction inspection and submitted a review letter dated June 19, 2023. The recommendation per the review letter is to reduce the letter of credit by \$482,756.20 and establish the new amount of \$1,115,818.55. Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder, to reduce the Letter of Credit No. STB797 from Fulton Bank from \$1,598,574.75 by \$482,756.20 and establish the new amount of \$1,115,818.55. The Letter of Credit is in the name of Creekside Providence LLC and is for the completion of Creekside Development-Phase III & IV. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Betty Byers, Second Dwelling Request, 410 Truce Road:** The property owner is requesting approval to build a new single-family dwelling (Farmhouse #2) on the property at 410 Truce Road and live in the existing dwelling (Farmhouse #2) until the new dwelling is ready to be occupied. After the new dwelling is occupied, existing dwelling would be torn down. Following discussion, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to grant approval to build a new single-family dwelling (Farmhouse #2) on the property at 410 Truce Road while living in the existing dwelling (Farmhouse #2). The existing dwelling to be torn down within 90 days from the Certificate of Use & Occupancy being issued for the new single-family dwelling. 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. Civil Complaint filed on June 29, 2023. John Stoltzfus applied for permits and permits were issued on July 5, 2023. Following discussion, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to withdraw the civil complaint prior to the hearing (August 7, 2023) upon receipt, by the township, of all expenses incurred for this violation. These expenses include the zoning officer's time, the township solicitor's time and filing fees. The motion was carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- At approximately 8:04 p.m., Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to enter into an executive session to discuss a personnel matter. The motion was carried unanimously.
- At approximately 8:37 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. Schroeder to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 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