

PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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



SUPERVISORS MEETING **June 3, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Providence Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Township Municipal Office on Monday, June 3, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chairman Lori L. Crossen, Member John Schroeder, Solicitor Melvin Newcomer, Township Manager Vicki Eldridge and seven (7) observers. Vice Chairman J. Pepper Goslin was not in attendance.

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.

PUBLIC HEARING

- At this time, Mr. Newcomer conducted a public hearing to consider the addition of approximately 142.73 acres of land to the Providence Township Agricultural Security Area. The public hearing was advertised in LNP on May 10, 2024. Sis Conrad asked for the definition of the agricultural security area. With no further comments, Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to add 121.63 acres of land, located at 935 Truce Road owned by Elmer and Elizabeth Stoltzfoos and 21.1 acres of land located at 71 Frogtown Road owned by Darlene Hart to the Providence Township Agricultural Security Area. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mrs. Crossen explained that each Supervisor received a copy of the written minutes from the May 6, 2024, 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. Schroeder, to ratify the payment of the May bills in the amount of \$116,939.88 from the general fund and \$7,011.21 from the state account. The motion was carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF BUDGET

- Mr. Schroeder had questions regarding equipment that was sold in 2024. Mrs. Crossen stated the budget looks healthy so far this year. There were no other comments regarding the budget at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Anna Hipple expressed concerns about water running onto her property from the road.

ROADMASTER REPORT

Mike Tome, Road Foreman, reported during the month of May, the road crew worked on the following:

- Trail- Grading and adding new aashto #10 screenings (from Groff lot- N. Lime st)
- Trail- Clean grade and open water way swale on trail right of way. Repair earth bank remove sediment from land owner (N. Lime st).
- Trail- Constructed and install new information sign at Fairview #1 trail entrance.
- Finish crack sealing roads that will be seal coated.
- Meet with LTAP (Schoolhouse Rd./ Rt 272) discussion on signage, waiting on report.
- Second Township woody waste day for the spring time.
- Pipe inlets and gutter cleaning various locations throughout the TWP (note most of this was for roads getting seal coated).
- Mowed road banks with one mower.
- Mowing TWP grounds (trail heads, park and office) herbicide treatment for weed control.
- Sight distance vegetation string trimming (Main St/Rt 222, School House/Rt 272).
- Tree trimming (School House Rd.)
- Building: Replace burn out lighting photocells for outside lights (shop).
- Equipment repair and service.
- Paving Clearfield Rd, Marking center line on new asphalt with temporary pavement markings.

During the month of June, the following work is planned:

- Continue road bank mowing
- Gutter cleaning for roads that will be seal coated
- AMS patch truck and marking out areas
- Clearfield Rd. grading edge's road from paving if needed
- Herbicide spraying guard rail's
- Tree trimming when roads are too wet for roadwork
- Safety meeting on trench safety

PARKS/RECREATION REPORT

- The parks and recreation committee meeting will be held on Thursday, July 11, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
- Shannon Howell asked the board for access to the Enola Low Grade Trail from a property located at 40 N Church Street, owned by PLCV Associates. This would be a public access point. The supervisors tabled their decision until the July 1 board of supervisors meeting.
- Mrs. Eldridge stated that the Quarryville Borough Zoning Hearing Board granted a variance to Providence Township to further develop the 14-acre property next to the trail in the Borough. This property will be used as a Mountain Bike Park.
- Mrs. Eldridge read the Quarryville Borough Police Report regarding patrols at the Fairview 1 Trailhead.

SOUTHERN LANCASTER COUNTY INTERMUNICIPAL COUNCIL REPORT

- The next meeting date will be announced at a future time.

OLD BUSINESS

- Following discussion regarding tax credits for volunteer firemen residing in Providence Township, the board directed the township solicitor to advertise for the adoption of the ordinance at the July 1, 2024 meeting.
- Following discussion regarding the vacation of a portion of Main Street on the west side of Beaver Valley Pike, the supervisors directed the township manager to contact B & E Property Management to have an access agreement drafted for the Doner's driveway access.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mrs. Crossen announced LG Health will hold a blood drive at the township office on Tuesday, July 2, 2024, from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.
- Following discussion regarding a replacement roof for the township schoolhouse building, the township manager was directed to get three estimates.
- Mrs. Crossen announced the township offices will be closed on Thursday, July 4th in celebration of Independence Day.
- The zoning workshop scheduled for Monday, June 24th has been cancelled as there is no new business to discuss.
- Following discussion regarding a new fulltime member to the zoning hearing due to the death of Albert Warfel, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to appoint the current alternate member, Robb Beiler, as a fulltime member. The motion was carried unanimously.

SEWAGE OFFICER

- Mark Deimler issued 3 sewage permits and completed 1 perc and probe test with a total of \$3,030.00 remitted to the township for the month of May.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Secretary:

- Receipts totaling \$347,877.21 were recorded in the month of May.

ZONING REPORT

- **Samuel K. King Waiver of Plan Processing, PT-337FP-24, 2218 Beaver Valley Pike:** The scope of the plan reduces the intensity of the prior use, improves traffic flow, and removes parking from the PADOT right-of-way. Following discussion, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by John Schroeder to conditionally approve the waiver of Article III Plan Processing for the Samuel K. King project subject to the review comments contained within the May 8, 2024, Solanco Engineering Associates review letter and any subsequent review letters. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **David Z and Lydia F Glick, 175 Main Street, Enforcement Notice:** An enforcement notice was issued on September 5, 2023, for a sawmill business operating on the property. **Compliance Date: October 5, 2023.** The property owner went to ZHB and was denied on October 10, 2023; on February 5, 2024, the BOS authorized the storage of firewood processing equipment to be stored on the property until May 6, 2024, On May 6, 2024, the supervisors gave Mr. Glick until June 3 to have the firewood processing equipment removed from the property. Currently, some of the equipment is still located on the property. The supervisors tabled moving forward with any action until the July 1 board of supervisors meeting when Mr. Goslin will be back in attendance.

- **Heavy Seas Rentals LLC, 548 Lancaster Pike, Enforcement Notice:** An enforcement notice was issued on February 20, 2024, for installation of a sign on the property without permits. **Compliance Date: March 21, 2024.** Mr. Newcomer sent a letter to the property owner on April 11, 2024, giving an additional 10 days until April 21 to correct the violation. Mr. Stewart has been in contact with the township zoning officer regarding this violation. No zoning hearing board application has been filed. The supervisors directed the township manager to file a civil complaint with the local magistrate.

ADJOURNMENT

- With no further business, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder, to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. The motion was carried unanimously.

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ATTEST: _____
Vicki L. Eldridge, Secretary

Lori L. Crossen, Chairman

John E. Schroeder, Member