

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 **July 1, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Providence Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Township Municipal Office on Monday, July 1, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chairman Lori L. Crossen, Vice Chairman J. Pepper Goslin, Member John Schroeder, Solicitor Melvin Newcomer, Township Manager Vicki Eldridge and ten (10) 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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Mrs. Crossen announced the board of supervisors held an executive session on Monday, July 1, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter.

PUBLIC HEARING

- At this time, Mr. Newcomer conducted a public hearing to consider the adoption of an Ordinance of Providence Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, Implementing a Volunteer Fire Service Earned Income Tax Credit Program; Enacting Tax Credits for Volunteer Members of Volunteer Fire Companies; and Establishing Administrative Procedures and Appeals, including a resolution to establish qualifications for participation. Following discussion, and with no public comment, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to adopt Ordinance No. 24-01, Implementing a Volunteer Fire Service Earned Income Tax Credit Program; Enacting Tax Credits for Volunteer Members of Volunteer Fire Companies; and Establishing Administrative Procedures and Appeals. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to adopt Resolution No. 24-02, adopting the guidelines for what qualifies for the earned income tax credit volunteers' program. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mrs. Crossen explained that each Supervisor received a copy of the written minutes from the June 3, 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. Goslin, to ratify the payment of the June bills in the amount of \$332,257.67 from the general fund and \$146,685.99 from the state account. The motion was carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF BUDGET

- Mrs. Eldridge stated the budget looks healthy for the first half of 2024. There were no other comments regarding the budget at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Merv Conrad asked a question about an advertising sign on Lancaster Pike.

ROADMASTER REPORT

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- Roadside gutter cleaning of roads that will get seal coated
- Road edge drop offs and stone driveway edges placement topsoil and 2A stone (Clearfield Road paving project.)
- Line painting Clearfield Road (Alpha Space contractor)
- Herbicide spraying of guide rails.
- Marking patch work for AMS truck (westside twp.) AMS truck work completed.
- Damage road edge repair Sigman Road (complete work before seal coating)
- Mowed road banks and trail with one mower.
- Trail clean-up down trees and mowed one pass entire trail length.
- Trail graffiti removal 2x
- Tree removal from roadway (Snyder Hollow Rd. and Sigman Rd.)
- Emergency road closure tree down on wires (Truce Rd.)
- Traffic light annual inspection complete. C.M. High (further inspection is needed for damage signal pole).
- Building repair (maintenance shop hot water heater replacement).
- Safety meeting complete (trench and excavation safety).

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

- Continue road bank mowing.
- Seal coating (Stump, Sigman, Herr, Hopkins Mil, School House, Refton, Krantz Mill, and Esh Roads)
- Sweeping from AMS work if needed.
- Herbicide spraying guard rail's (continue).
- Tree trimming some sight distance issues.
- Clean up shop and grounds for national night out.
- Storm water pipe work (Snyder Hollow and School House Road)
- Safety meeting on hydration heat stroke signs.

Mrs. Eldridge discussed the possibility of Providence Township joining the Paradise Township Belt Loader Co-Op. Discussion between the member townships is in the early stages.

Following discussion regarding the damage done to the traffic signal pole at Truce Road and Route 272, the supervisors authorized the township manager to proceed with the proposal to inspect all the traffic signal parts and appurtenances to see if they can be used or if we need to replace everything.

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. Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen to grant access to the trail from the property located at 40 N. Church Street, Quarryville, upon the completion of an access agreement indemnifying the township. The motion was carried unanimously. The property owners are responsible for all costs involved drafting and recording the agreement.
- At this time there was no police report from Quarryville Borough.

SOUTHERN LANCASTER COUNTY INTERMUNICIPAL COUNCIL REPORT

- The next meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the East Drumore Township Office.

OLD BUSINESS

- Following discussion regarding the Radcliff Road Bridge removal project, the supervisors asked the solicitor to review the agreements to see if the township is able to break the contract with American Rivers to move forward in another direction for the removal of the bridge.
- Following discussion of roof replacement for the meeting room (schoolhouse) structure, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to award the contract to I & D Contracting, using Slateline Shingles. This will only be awarded if I & D Contracting is willing to give a 5-year warranty on workmanship. The motion was carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mrs. Crossen announced the township will be hosting a “National Night Out” Crime and Drug Prevention Event on Tuesday, August 6, 2024. 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, July 2, 2024, from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.
- Mrs. Crossen announced the township offices will be closed on July 4th in celebration of Independence Day.
- Mrs. Crossen announced an opportunity exists for a Providence Township Resident to serve as an alternate member of the zoning hearing board. If you are interested, contact the township manager.
- Following discussion, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder, to open an additional reserve account with PLGIT. The motion was carried unanimously.

SEWAGE OFFICER

- Mark Deimler did not complete any sewage work within Providence Township during the month of June.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Secretary:

- Receipts totaling \$94,346.62 were recorded in the month of June.

ZONING REPORT

- **Matthew Wiker, Letter of Credit Reduction, 1741 Rawlinsville Road:** The original letter of credit is \$113,845.90. Solanco Engineering Associates, LLC performed a letter of credit reduction inspection on June 12, 2024, and submitted a review letter dated June 14, 2024. The recommendation per the review letter is to release the remainder of the financial guarantee in the amount of \$69,645.15. Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to release the Letter of Credit No. STB746 from Fulton Bank in the amount of \$69,645.15. The Letter of Credit is in the name of Jay K and Lisa Mae Wiker and Matthew K and Kelly L Wiker, for the completion of site improvements and stormwater management for construction of two broiler barns. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Lancaster Pike Properties LLC, Letter of Credit Reduction, 748 Lancaster Pike:** The original letter of credit is \$829,201.73. Solanco Engineering Associates, LLC performed a letter of credit reduction inspection on May 28, 2024, and submitted a review letter dated June 14, 2024. The recommendation per the review letter is to reduce the letter of credit by \$109,479.43 and establish the new amount of \$267,811.85. Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to reduce the Letter of Credit No. 132487331 from Univest Bank and Trust Co. by \$109,479.43 and establish the new amount of \$267,811.85. The Letter of Credit is in the name of Lancaster Pike Properties LLC. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Garrett S. and Megan M. Duvall, Shared Driveway Request, 6 Country Lane:** The Country Lane Subdivision Plan was approved with private driveway access to 6 Country Lane. This request is to eliminate the private driveway and share a driveway with 4 Country Lane. Following discussion, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to grant the shared driveway subject to the township solicitor's review of the easement agreement. 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. Currently, the equipment is still located on the property. Following discussion, the supervisors agreed to allow the storage of the equipment on the property as long as there is no business operating on the property.

ADJOURNMENT

- With no further business, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. The motion was carried unanimously.

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ATTEST: _____
Vicki L. Eldridge, Secretary

Lori L. Crossen, Chairman

J. Pepper Goslin, Vice Chairman

John E. Schroeder, Member