

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 **November 4, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Providence Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Township Municipal Office on Monday, November 4, 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 eight (8) observers.

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

Mrs. Crossen announced that the board of supervisors held an Executive Session on Monday, October 28, 2024, to discuss a personnel matter.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

At this time, Chairman Crossen turned the meeting over to the Township Solicitor, Mr. Newcomer to conduct the public hearings.

- Mr. Newcomer explained that this is the time and the place that was advertised in LNP Media to hold a public hearing to consider the adoption of Ordinance No. 24-02, an Ordinance of Providence Township vacating a portion of Main Street. Mr. Newcomer opened the floor for public comment. Hearing none, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to adopt Ordinance No. 24-02, vacating a portion of Main Street located in Providence Township, Pennsylvania extending from Beaver Valley Pike (Route 222) to Camargo Road. The motion was carried unanimously. Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to authorize the Chairman to sign the deed for this conveyance once it has been reviewed by Mr. Newcomer. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mr. Newcomer explained this is the time and place that was advertised in LNP Media to hold a public hearing to consider the adoption of Ordinance No. 24-03, an Ordinance of Providence Township electing to amend its non-uniform pension plan administered by the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System. Mr. Newcomer opened the floor for public comments. Hearing none, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to adopt Ordinance No. 24-03, electing to amend the Providence Township Non-Uniform Pension Plan Administered by the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System pursuant to Article IV of the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement Law. The motion was carried unanimously.

BID AWARD

- Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder, to award the traffic signal repairs at the intersection of Truce Road and Route 272 to the lowest bidders, C.M. High, Inc. in the amount of \$46,900.00. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mrs. Crossen explained that each Supervisor received a copy of the written minutes from the October 7, 2024, supervisors' meeting 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.

Mrs. Crossen explained that each Supervisor received a copy of the written minutes from the October 16, 2024, budget workshop 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 October 28, 2024, zoning workshop 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 October bills in the amount of \$117,475.91 from the general fund. The motion was carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF BUDGET

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

- There were no public comments at this time.

ROADMASTER REPORT

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

- Crack sealed the following roads: Mount Hope School, Pennsy (east side), Cinder (north of Fairview) and Solar Drive
- Rip Rap corners of culvert on Oak Bottom Road, poured concrete cap over downstream road edge
- Paved shoulder and around 2 inlets 100 block Pennsy Road
- Boom mowed all roads west of 272, started on east side of 272
- Installed Trail parking lot signs at Fairview 2 and Sigman Road, replaced various damaged mile marker signs entire length of trail
- Dug out concrete at ends of driveways and moved mailboxes on Schoolhouse Road in preparation for milling
- Replaced all parking lot lights with new LED lights
- Removed ballast from Hess Street bridge on Trail to replace rotten timbers
- Moved and recorded traffic counter and electronic speed sign
- Attended Penn Dot winter maintenance meeting
- Safety meeting on slips and falls

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

- Continue crack sealing as weather and staffing is sufficient
- Continue boom mowing, start trail boom mowing
- Leaf clean up in various spots
- Rehab bridge deck on the trail at Hess Street
- Mill and pave road edge Schoolhouse (Rt 272-Snyder Hollow)
- Sign reflectivity evaluations
- Truck and equipment maintenance
- Safety meeting on heavy equipment safety

Mrs. Eldridge explained there are some issues with the timing sequence at the Truce Road Traffic Signal. Our traffic signal inspector is recommending Wavetronics, a system that controls the sequence through radar frequencies. PennDOT has a grant program called GreenLight Go that would pay for 80% of the cost. The supervisors approved moving ahead with this application.

PARKS/RECREATION REPORT

- The parks and recreation committee meeting will be held on Thursday, November 14, 2024, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
- Mrs. Crossen gave an update on the cleanup day that was held at the Mountain Bike Park.
- The Quarryville Police Report was shared for patrols at the Fairview 1 Trailhead.

SOUTHERN LANCASTER COUNTY INTERMUNICIPAL COUNCIL REPORT

- The next meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the East Drumore Township Office. Mrs. Goslin updated the supervisors on some of the items discussed at the prior meeting which included farm preservation and the LCPC discussion about future planning.

OLD BUSINESS

- There was no old business to discuss at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mrs. Crossen announced tomorrow is Election Day. Please remember to vote. Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.
- Mrs. Crossen announced LG Health will hold a blood drive at the township office on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.
- Following discussion regarding the appointment for the planning commission, Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to appoint Andrew Odell to an additional four-year term on the Providence Township Planning Commission. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Following discussion regarding the appointment of a zoning hearing board member, Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to appoint Omar Smoker to an additional three-year term on the Providence Township Zoning Hearing Board. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mrs. Crossen announced the December board of supervisor meeting will be held on Monday, December 9, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.
- Mrs. Crossen announced the township offices will be closed on Monday, November 11th in honor of Veterans Day and Thursday, November 28th for Thanksgiving Day.
- Mrs. Crossen announced the remaining 2024 budget workshops are cancelled. The proposed 2025 budget has been completed.

- Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to advertise the proposed 2025 budget. The budget will be available for public inspection beginning Monday, November 11, 2024, until its adoption at the December 9, 2024, board of supervisors meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder, to adopt Resolution No. 24-05 appointing Maher Duessel as the certified public accounting firm to audit the accounts of Providence Township for 2024. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to adopt Resolution No. 24-06, to establish the tax millage rate of 0.381 mills for real property within the Township of Providence subject to taxation for the fiscal year 2025. The tax rate remains the same as 2024. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to advertise for the 2025 Board of Supervisors Meetings to be held on the following dates: January 6, February 3, March 3, April 7, May 5, June 2, July 7, August 4, September 8, October 6, November 3, and December 8. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Crossen, to advertise for the 2025 Elected Auditors Organizational Meeting to be held on Wednesday, January 7, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder, to advertise for the 2025 zoning hearing board meetings on the second Tuesday of each month, as needed at 7:00 p.m. except in November due to a holiday. The November zoning hearing board meeting will be held on November 18 due to the federal holiday. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to advertise for the 2025 planning commission meetings on the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. except in January and February due to holidays. The January and February planning commission meetings will be held on January 21 and February 17 due to federal holidays. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to advertise for the 2025 parks/recreation committee meetings on the second Thursday of March, May, July, and September at 7:00 p.m. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to advertise for the 2025 zoning workshops on the fourth Monday, every other month, February through October. The motion was carried unanimously.

SEWAGE OFFICER

- Mark Deimler issued 3 sewage permits and completed 3 perc and probe tests with a total of \$3,795.00 submitted to the township in October.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Secretary:

- Receipts totaling \$35,848.29 were recorded in the month of October.

ZONING REPORT

- There was no zoning business to transact.

ADJOURNMENT

- With no further business, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 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