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 December 9, 2024

The regular meeting of the Providence Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Township Municipal Office on Monday, December 9, 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 nine (9) 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 announced that the board of supervisors held an Executive Session on Monday, November 25, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. to discuss a legal matter.

Mrs. Crossen explained that each Supervisor received a copy of the written minutes from the November 4, 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 November bills in the amount of \$137,586.14 from the general fund and \$4,178.00 from the state fund. The motion was carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF BUDGET

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Jim Stack had questions about the Mountain Bike Park.
- Sis Conrad expressed gratitude to the supervisors for managing the budget and keeping taxes low.
- Omar Smoker asked the supervisors to review fencing requirements and setback issues that are part of the zoning ordinance.
- Dave Gerhart asked the supervisors to lower taxes since earned income taxes are increasing.

ROADMASTER REPORT

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

- Crack sealed the following roads: Cinder (north of Fairview) and Solar Drive, Sawmill Rd (Dead end)
- School House Rd (widening project) Paving, Contractor (Long's)
- Boom mowed all roads east of 272, started on trail
- Sign replacement in various locations thought out township (missing or damaged) street name sign's, stop sign's, W series sign's
- Set up and test all equipment for winter maintenance operations
- Leaf clean up (gutter's) various spots
- Removed ballast from Hess Street bridge on Trail to replace rotten timbers (continued work from last month)
- Moved and recorded traffic counter and electronic speed sign
- PA-1 calls (mark out or investigate)
- Annual reviews
- Tree clean up from roadways (Hollow Rd, Snyder Hollow Rd)
- Equipment and truck repairs E-5, T-1

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

- Continue trail boom mowing
- Work on side gutter or road edge at various spots for possible water issues (winter weather)
- Leaf clean up in various spots
- Rehab bridge deck on Trail at Hess Street
- Sign reflectivity evaluations
- Truck and equipment maintenance
- Safety meeting on heavy equipment safety
- Annual start up (max ox boiler)

Mrs. Eldridge stated that C.M. High, the contractor awarded the traffic signal replacement contract, has informed us that the traffic pole will not be delivered for at least 25 weeks from the manufacturer. Due to this information, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to extend completion date of the traffic signal contract with C.M. High to July 31, 2025. The motion was carried unanimously.

PARKS/RECREATION REPORT

- The parks and recreation committee meeting will not meet until March 13, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.
- There was no Quarryville Police Report at this time.
- Following a brief discussion, Mr. Goslin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to authorize the Chairman to sign the License Agreement, between Providence Township and PLCV Associates for access to the Enola Low Grade Property from their property located at 40 North Church Street. The motion was carried unanimously.

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.

OLD BUSINESS

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

NEW BUSINESS

- Mrs. Crossen announced the township offices will be closed on Tuesday, December 24th and Wednesday, December 25th for Christmas and Wednesday, January 1 for New Years Day.
- 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.
- Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to adopt Resolution No. 24-07, adopting a budget for the calendar year 2025. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to provide for benefits for prescription drugs, medical co-pays, chiropractic services, vision and dental services provided to full time employees and supervisors of Providence Township. This benefit increases from \$2,000/year to \$2,200/year. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to observe the following holiday schedule in 2025, January 1, New Years Day; January 20, Martin Luther King Day; February 17, Presidents Day; May 26, Memorial Day; July 3, Independence Day; September 1, Labor Day; November 11, Veterans Day; November 27, Thanksgiving; December 24, Christmas Eve; December 25, Christmas. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin to close the books for fiscal year 2024 on December 31, 2024. The motion was carried unanimously.

SEWAGE OFFICER

• Mark Deimler issued 3 sewage permits and completed 1 perc and probe test with a total of \$2,185.00 submitted to the township in November.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Secretary:

- Receipts totaling \$251,052.61 were recorded in the month of November.
- Mrs. Eldridge suggested moving an additional \$100,000 to PLGIT for a high interest rate. The supervisors were in agreement.

ZONING REPORT

- **Aaron Esch; 227 Schoolhouse Road**; Property is owned by Jonas Esch; The request is for permission to drill under Schoolhouse Road to run a water line from the new well to the existing single-family dwelling. Following discussion, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to grant permission to drill under Schoolhouse Road and run a water line from the well to the existing home. A written indemnification agreement is required prior to construction. The township solicitor will prepare the agreement. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Lancaster Pike Properties, LLC Land Development/Stormwater Management Plan (PT-310-FP-21) – Financial Security Reduction #5. Following discussion, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to approve the financial security reduction in the amount of \$105,575.52 from the previous amount of \$208,932.43 and establishing a new amount equal to \$103,356.91 in accordance with Solanco Engineering's Financial Security Reduction Letter #5 of November 1st, 2024. The motion was carried unanimously.

• Elmer E. Stoltzfus Land Development Plan & SWM Plan - 955 Lancaster Pike (PT-339FP-24). Mr. Elam King was in attendance to discuss this plan. Following brief discussion, the supervisors agreed to table these discussions until January when the engineer or plan representative could be in attendance to discuss this plan.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 7:48 p.m., Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to enter into an Executive Session to discuss a legal matter. The motion was carried unanimously.

At approximately 8:05 p.m., Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder to come out of Executive Session. The motion was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

• With no further business, Mrs. Crossen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Goslin, to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 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