

**MINUTES - HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING**  
**November 30, 2022**

**PRESENT:** David Randler, Thomas Schoener, Terry Wolfe, Andrew George, Chief Leon Grim, Nicole Werner, Harvey Marshall, Jen Van Dyke, Lori Brown, Louis Hurst, Laura Yazemboski, Heath Machamer

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Randler at 7:30pm

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:**

**Louis Hurst** - Acquired tract of ground, Fessler property (26.5 acres). Sewer capacity is available from Womelsdorf Sewer Authority. Preliminary sketch is estimating 40-45 single family homes in Marion Township and 20-25 in Heidelberg Township. Mr. Hurst is simply looking for direction at this time regarding sewer. Chairman Randler wants to know if a new sewer district needs to be created (customer of Heidelberg Twp or Womelsdorf Borough), needs to be discussed with sewer authority. In addition, Chairman Randler has no interest in having sewer customers, suggestion is to defer sewer customers to Womelsdorf Sewer Authority.

**MOTION** made to defer installation and repairs of sewer lines and customer billing to Womelsdorf Sewer Authority regarding property owned AU Associates, LLC, property known as the Fessler property, UPI/property ID# 62433706289931 by Sup Brown,  
**SECOND** by Sup Schoener. **PASSED** unanimously

**Library Robesonia** – Laura Yazemboski from the Robesonia Public Library asking for continued support from the township. Feels the library is an asset to the community. Hours are back to required numbers, searching for director. Heidelberg Township has \$2,000 in the budget for calendar year 2023 to donate to the library. The library will get credit from the \$4,000 from the past two years, due to missed deadline, will receive following year.

**Harvey Marshall** - No comment

**MINUTES:** October 26, 2022 **MOTION** made by Sup Brown, **SECOND** Sup Schoener. **PASSED** unanimously.

**TREASURERS REPORT:** October, 2022 **MOTION** by Sup Schoener, **SECOND** by Sup Brown. **PASSED** unanimously.

Two \$500,000 (General Operating Account & Sewer Operating Account) were not noted on the treasurer's report. Purchase of CD's will be noted in future reports.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:** **MOTION** made by Sup Brown, **SECOND** Sup Wolfe. **PASSED** unanimously.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Police & Fire-** Report provided by Chief Grim. Earlier in the month Chief Grim met with Cailyn Brewer, Bethany Children’s Home, along with Chairman Randler regarding call volume. Voiced concern for use of services. To date, no response from the meeting. The South Heidelberg Police Department has noticed calls have “dropped off”. About 39 children are currently at the facility. Also, speed enforcement was conducted on Ryeland Rd (34 mph highest speed). Meeting with Conrad Weiser Areas School District regarding threat analysis (fire/gas leak/active threat, etc). Looking to have emergency preparedness kits available. Blankets of Hope were contacted and will be donating 200 free blankets for the kits.

**Sewer** - Chairman Randler. Numerous thank you letters have been received for the 3rd quarter sewer forgiveness.

**Planning Commission** - Meeting held on November 2nd, discussed Furnace Village II.

**Roads, Building & Equipment** - Chairman Randler, John Deere loader has arrived. New truck is at Kutz, potentially receiving truck by end of the year (plow and spreader). Township building roof is leaking.

**Personnel** - Sandra Perrotto, no update per Sup Schoener. During the meeting, Chief Grim was able to locate Mrs. Perrotto and a contact. Secretary Werner to contact Kevin Doyle with contact information.

**Recreation Board/Pool** - No report

**Zoning Hearing Board** - No report

**Building Inspectors Report** - Report Provided by TEI

**Engineers Report** - Report Provided by TEI

**SEO Report** - Report Provided by TEI

**Zoning Report** - Report Provided by TEI

**Communications** - No report

**Solicitor’s Report** - Report provided by Andrew George, Esq. Bethany Children’s Home agreement has been drafted and sent to BCH attorney. Waiting for response. Larry reported work/surveying was being conducted at the Lower Heidelberg bridge. Chairman Randler asked that a letter be sent from Kozloff Stoudt asking for an update on the bridge project.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Western Berks Ambulance Report, GFL Monthly Recycling Report, ARRO Water Services Monthly Report, Robesonia Wernersville Municipal Authority letter (no rate increase), Letter from Dr Giffing regarding school closing guard, Thank you cards from Snyder, Reibsane and McElwee families.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- Crossing Guard, letter received from Dr. Giffing regarding school crossing guard. Requesting the township recruit and hire the personnel. Chairman Randler does not want to have additional employees and the guard should be hired by the school district. Township will need to adopt ordinance to allow school to hire crossing guard with reimbursement from the Township. Solicitor George to send response letter requesting the school hire and recruit.
- 819 W. Penn Avenue, NOV forwarded to homeowner
- Budget 2023

**MOTION** to pass 2023 Budget by Sup Schoener, **SECOND** Sup Brown. **PASSED** unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Furnace Village, Original plan included 48 total units (all in the Borough of Robeson). Additional units being proposed, units 51-58, and 59-60 which extend into Heidelberg Township. Waiting for NPDES permit to add on lots and additions on stormwater, in final technical phase, possible approval in 30 days. Concern with flooding, with 2 stormwater basins. comments have been received by residents that it has been beneficial. With additional lots a third basin will be added and routed into the existing stormwater basins. Possible intermunicipal agreement for roadways, service of sewer/water and trash. Will be adding screening/buffering along basin for new residents and existing. Ordinance states 8 trees/shrubs per lots. However, lots are too small for such and are being proposed along the basin. ["Execution of updated access easements with all three adjoining owners who take access off Smokering due to relocation of Smokering Drive cul-de-sac from original plan/easements."](#)

**MOTION** made to grant waivers for the three following sections, SALDO Section 302.B.2, SALDO Section 506.D&E, SALDO Section 516.B.2.b by Sup Wolfe, **SECOND** Sup Schoener. **PASSED** unanimously.

**MOTION** made to grant conditional final approval conditioned upon the applicant satisfying all the deficiencies identified in the TEI review letter dated September 30, 2022 and the applicant must ensure that the necessary inter-municipal agreements are executed by both Heidelberg Township and Robeson Borough addressing the long term O&M of roads, trash, sewer and water services and execution of updated access easements with all three adjoining owners who take access off Smokering due to relocation of Smokering Drive cul-de-sac from original plan/easements by Sup Schoener, **SECOND** by Sup Wolfe, **PASSED** unanimously.

- ACT 57, Resolution 14-2022, amended local tax collection law. State law states if a property is purchased near time tax bills are mailed and not received, there is a process to obtain a waiver to delete late fees.

**MOTION** made to adopt Resolution #14-2022, Act 57 by Sup Brown, **SECOND** by Sup Wolfe. **PASSED** unanimously.

*new business continued . . .*

- Municipal Action Plan, need replacement for Mike Palm. Sup Wolfe suggested a copy of last year's action plan be sent to the County after review. Secretary Werner advised to contact Mike Palm regarding Emergency Management Coordinator position.
- TEI fee schedule, tabled to reorganization meeting.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** by Sup Brown, **SECOND** by Sup. Schoener, **PASSED** unanimously at 8:49pm

**Next meeting will be held on December 21, 2022 at 7:30pm,  
Monthly Board of Supervisor's Meeting**

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Werner, Township Secretary