

MINUTES - HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING
December 29, 2021

PRESENT: David Randler, Thomas Schoener, Terrence Wolfe, Kevin Snyder, Andrew George, Esq., Chief Leon Grim, Nicole Werner, Lori Brown, Eileen Zerbe, Geneva Berger, Ryan Zerbe, Paul Radcliffe

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Randler at 7:33pm

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Lori Brown: Stated she has begun supervisor's training.

Eileen Zerbe: No comment

Ryan Zerbe: See notes in Unfinished Business, False Alarm Ordinance

Paul Radcliffe: The township recognized Mr. Radcliffe for 38 years of service on the planning commission board.

MINUTES: November 22, 2021 minutes were circulated. **MOTION** by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Schoener, passed unanimously.

TREASURERS REPORT: A **MOTION** was made by Sup Snyder to approve the treasurer's report for the month of November, **SECOND** by Sup Schoener, passed unanimously.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: A **MOTION** was made by Sup Schoener, **SECOND** by Sup Snyder, passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police & Fire – Report

was provided by Chief Grim. The fire company approached SHPD regarding restitution on false alarms. Chief Grim provided the Board of Supervisors with a copy of State of PA Non-Traffic Docket. Speed enforcement has been done on Ryeland Road, caught a female driving 65mph.

Sewer – Chairman Randler provided a proposal from Slaymakers for the generator at Fry Manor. The Board of Supervisors approved to install a generator prior to the proposal, proposal amount \$18,877. The specific generator is not available and will not be here until March/June. Slaymakers are not positive the generator will arrive before June. Slaymakers went over a sales order/proposal for a 28KW Perkins with Leroy Sommers generator and 200 gallon fuel cell. The cost is \$23,791.20. Slaymakers has this particular generator in stock and available. Chairman Randler recommended the township purchase the 28KW Perkins generator, 2-3 week lead time for installation.

MOTION made by Sup Snyder to purchase the 28KW Perkins with Leroy Sommers generator at a price of \$23, 791.20, **SECOND** by Sup Wolfe. Passed unanimously.

Sewer Report continued:

Mogel, 315 E. Lincoln Ave – Chairman Randler suggested water/sewer be shut off as payment has not been made, the current and total bill is between \$6,000-\$7,000. Chief Grim is not positive anyone is residing at the property, will do a welfare check up.

MOTION made to shut water off at 315 E. Lincoln Ave made by Chairman Randler, **SECOND** by Kevin Snyder. Passed unanimously.

Planning Commission – No report, possible meeting January 5, 2022

Roads, Bldg. & Equip. – New International truck should be delivered next week. Holiday tree pickup will begin next week (January 3, 10 and 17). Post cards were mailed out by Sir Speedies. Wood chips will be composted with a local farmer. Sup Wolfe stated Blue Marsh will also take wood chips/trees.

Personnel – No report

Recreation Board/Pool – First of the year will begin to promote pool

Zoning Hearing Board – No report

Zoning & SEO Report: Report provided to Supervisors from Technicon Enterprises, Inc.

Building Inspectors Report – Report provided to Supervisors from Technicon Enterprises, Inc.

Engineers Report – Report provided to Board of Supervisors from Technicon Enterprises, Inc.

Solicitor’s Report – Report provided by Andrew George, Esq. Wanted to thank the Board of Supervisors for their patience on his “two month vacation” and it was nice to be back.

Zoning Amendment regarding fuel tanks and convenience stores – there was not a majority vote at the joint meeting in November. All 5 municipalities need to vote in favor to pass. Second meeting was held on December 22, 2021, ordinance passed with majority vote.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Western Berks Ambulance November report, Select Environmental Solutions Monthly Operations & Maintenance report, GFL Environmental Monthly Recycling Report, Berks County Solid Waste Authority letter (2014 County Municipal Waste Management Plan revision).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Police Contract: 2023-2027 South Heidelberg Township Police Department contract with Resolution.

MOTION made to approve Resolution #6-2021, 2023-2027 Police Contract, **SECOND** by Sup Schoener. Passed unanimously.

False Alarm Ordinance: John Muir, Esq. drafted the ordinance based on collaboration of several townships. Discussion regarding restitution, the solicitor did not notice a clause regarding restitution in any of the ordinances reviewed. Bethany Children’s Home has paid one citation with restitution included. Ryan Zerbe stated Bethany Children’s Home has had 11 calls since the BOS meeting in November. Bethany claims when

the new alarm system is installed, false alarms should not occur. A meeting with Bethany Children's Home is set with the fire department for next week. The fire department is allowed to send a restitution bill on their own accord. Ryan Zerbe agreed that is sufficient. Ryan Zerbe suggested a Knox box ordinance be looked into as well. Chairman Randler stated Knox boxes are expensive and he is not in favor of it.

MOTION made to advertise the False Alarm Ordinance by Sup Snyder,
SECOND by Sup Schoener. Passed unanimously.

2022 Proposed Budget:

MOTION to approve 2022 budget made by Sup Schoener,
SECOND by Sup Wolfe. Passed unanimously.

Swift 911 Collaboration with Robesonia Borough: Post cards were mailed out to announce the collaboration and to register.

NEW BUSINESS:

Stanilla, Siegel and Maser engagement letter regarding 2021 Audit:

MOTION made to sign engagement letter from Stanilla, Siegel and Maser regarding the 2021 audit by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Schoener. Passed unanimously.

Plasterer Equipment: letter was received regarding machine inspection in John Deere 210LL. Chairman Randler will contact Plasterer Equipment to discuss. The loader has not been used.

North Heidelberg Land Development plan deference: Poultry farm to be built on Dundor Road, request by township for input or deference.

MOTION made to defer North Heidelberg Land Development for poultry farm on Dundor Rd by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Schoener. Passed unanimously

Technicon Enterprises, Inc revised draft fee: new fee schedule for land development, subdivisions, etc was given to the board for review. Will adopt at reorganizational meeting on January 3, 2022

EXECUTIVE SESSION: to discuss personnel issues adjourned at 8:43pm

MOTION made to approve ARPA/Comp time payment of \$2,087.04 to Larry Knoll by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Schoener. Passed unanimously.

The township would also like to thank David Manbeck for his 25 years combined service to the township.

MOTION TO ADJOURN by Sup Wolfe at 8:57pm. **SECOND** by Sup Snyder, passed unanimously.

Next meeting will be held on Monday, January 3,2022 at 6:00pm,Reorganization Meeting

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Werner, Township Secretary