

MINUTES - HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING

August 30, 2023

PRESENT: David Randler, Terry Wolfe, Nicole Werner, Thomas Schoener, Kevin Snyder, Chief Matt Hook, Solicitor Andrew George, Laura Yazemboski (Robeson Community Library), David Weaver, Steve Bensing, Eileen Zerbe, Geneva Berger, Shalin Shultz, Elaine Thomas, Alan Mathason, Karin Eisinger, Jean Purdy, Jennifer McConnell (TEI)

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

OPENING OF ROAD BIDS: See attached Bid Tabulation Spreadsheet

MOTION to forward documents to solicitor for review and waive pre-bid meeting requirement to award Ronnie Folk Paving project for Wooltown Rd and Blossom Dr/Birdsfoot Dr made by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Schoener. **PASSED** unanimously.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Laura Yazemboski – Thanked the board for the support in the past. Informed board what the library offers to the community (programs for all ages, cooking classes, internet, etc.)

Eileen Zerbe – No comment

Charlie Brown – No comment

Geneva Berger – No comment

David Weaver – See Planning Commission report

Alan Mathason – Resident at 124 Big Spring Rd, attended the meeting to discuss an incident on his property in which an unleashed dog attacked several ducks on his property. After the incident, Mr. Mathason saw another individual on his property and the individual's dog was off leash. The discussion became heated and Mr. Mathason has contacted the police numerous times due to trespassing issues. It was decided the township will post signs on either end of the footbridge making residents aware of the leash laws. Chief Hook will contact the Conrad Weiser School District to discuss posting signs on their property as well.

Shalin Shultz – To discuss feral cat situation in the township. Stated she contacted the Humane Society in Lebanon, they are willing to work with the township (\$40 per cat). Ms. Shultz has trapped 4 litters of kittens and believes there are 3 more litters to be trapped. She stated she contacted an attorney. Solicitor George asked for the attorney contact information and the conversation halted.

MINUTES: July, 2023 **MOTION** made by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** Sup Brown. **PASSED** unanimously.

TREASURERS REPORT: **MOTION** made to approve the July & August, 2023 treasurers report by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Wolfe. **PASSED** unanimously.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police Report- Report provided by Chief Matt Hook. National Night Out was held on August 1st.

Sewer – No report

Planning Commission – Meeting was held on August 2nd to discuss the Weaver Minor Subdivision. Variance was obtained from Zoning Hearing Board, Planning Commission made final recommendation for board to grant final plan approval, all conditions addressed.

MOTION made to grant final plan approval and to sign plans for the Weaver Minor Subdivision by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Wolfe. **PASSED** unanimously.

The Keeping of Pets Ordinance discussed. The Planning Commission agreed the ordinance for Heidelberg Township particularly, shall not change.

MOTION made to forward letter to Western Berks Planning Commission stating Heidelberg Township has no position to changes specifically for Marion Township by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Wolfe. **PASSED** unanimously.

Roads, Building & Equipment – Secretary Werner to apply for the Local Share Category 4 Grant. Requesting funds for the purchase of a zero turn mower, boom mower for existing loader and Ford F-350 truck. Resolution to be signed authorizing Secretary Werner and Chairman Randler to sign all documentation for the grant. School Traffic lights have been turned on. Crossing Guard positions are not filled.

Cornwell Door and Service forwarded an estimate for two garage doors, two openers and fix existing door panel in the amount of \$13,120.00. The suggestion was made to add two additional openers for existing doors to quote.

MOTION made to approve Cornwell Door Service estimate not to exceed \$20,000 by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Schoener. **PASSED** unanimously.

Personnel – No Report

Recreation Board/Pool – Pool closed for the season on Monday, September 4th at 4:00pm

Zoning Hearing Board – No report

Joint Zoning Board – Schedule meeting for September 21st at 7:00pm, Keeping of Pets Ordinance

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. 2018 IPMC tabled to month of September.

Committee Reports continued . . .

CORRESPONDENCE: Western Berks Ambulance Report, GFL Monthly Recycling Report, ARRO Water Services Monthly Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Feral Cats, Chairman Randler has asked Solicitor George to began the process of a No Feed Ordinance.
- Heidelberg Road Bridge, Secretary Werner has been in contact with Brian Cole at Lower Heidelberg Township to schedule a meeting.
- Roadwork Bid Openings / Possible Award, *SEE* Opening of Road Bids

NEW BUSINESS:

- Foot Bridge, research was completed through local title company and shows that in 1978 the township condemned a portion of the Fry property (56' wide) and a portion of the Speicher property (54' wide). The Township constructed the foot bridge in between the two parcels and is noted as the owner of the Foot Bridge. The plans were never recorded in the court house.
- Police Pension, 2024 Minimum Municipal Obligation

MOTION made to approve the 2024 Minimum Municipal Obligation at \$0 for the 2024 Police Pension Plan by Sup Schoener, **SECOND** by Sup Snyder. **PASSED** unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Ended at 9:25pm

MOTION TO ADJOURN: by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup. Schoener, **PASSED** unanimously at 9:26pm

**Next meeting will be held on September 27, 2023 at 7:30pm,
Board of Supervisors Meeting**

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Werner, Township Secretary