

MINUTES - HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING

December 20, 2023

PRESENT: David Randler, Lori Brown, Kevin Snyder, Thomas Schoener, Sergeant Hackney, Nicole Werner, Solicitor Andrew George, Geneva Berger, Eileen Zerbe, Randy & Kathy Yarnall, Eric Goudy, David Weaver

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

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Geneva Berger – No comment

Eric Goudy – No comment

Randy Yarnall – Thanked the Board for the past year of service.

Kathy Yarnall – No comment

Eileen Zerbe – No comment

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

TREASURERS REPORT: **MOTION** made to approve the December, 2023 treasurers report by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Schoener. **PASSED** unanimously.

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

Fitz Security – Alarm system has been disconnected and is not currently working. Fitz Security forwarded a quote of \$350 with cellular hook-up, fire & heat detection would be an additional \$700-\$800 to install.

MOTION made to install new security system upgrade not exceeding \$1500, including fire and heat detection, with Fitz Security, by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Schoener. **PASSED** unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police Report- Report provided by Sergeant Hackney. 35 calls in total for Heidelberg Township, 0 citations, 2 criminal arrests. Community Relations included school lockdown drills, meeting with superintendent, Jack Frost Parade. Items to note: illegal dumping incident on Tulpehocken Forge Rd, retail theft at Goodwill, speed enforcement detail on West Ryeland Rd.

Committee Reports continued . . .

Pioneer Hose Call Response Time – Chairman Randler noted 3 incidents within the past week and a half where Station #26 did not respond. Chairman Randler would like an explanation. Sup Brown stated her shop is across the street from the fire department and sees the trucks in and out of the building continuously. Sup Snyder would like them to be truthful if there is a manpower issue. Sup Brown stated both companies agreed to work together. Chairman Randler would like to invite both companies to discuss. Sup Schoener doesn't seem it's necessary to get in between the fire companies and let them continue to work together and not "stir up trouble". He also doesn't notice a problem when the road department needs assistance. Sup Snyder asked if the County would have record of which departments respond. Chairman Randler said call logs could be requested on a quarterly basis from both fire companies.

Sewer – Diversified Technologies requested an ACH be setup for payments. Secretary Werner informed them an ACH WILL NOT be setup and monthly/quarterly invoices should be sent to the township. To date, no invoice has been received in the office or response to request invoices.

Big Spring Pump Station upgrade – No update

Planning Commission – Meeting scheduled for February 7th at 7:00pm to discuss revisions to Reading Bakery System's plans.

Roads, Building & Equipment – Hackman Paving stated the earliest speed bumps could be installed on Ryeland Rd would be in the spring. PPL Street Light Conversion agreement to be signed along with Resolution #13-2023.

MOTION to sign Resolution #13-2023 and agreement with PPL regarding street light LED conversion by Sup Schoener, **SECOND** by Sup Snyder. **PASSED** unanimously.

Personnel – No Report

Recreation Board/Pool – Deck the House judging to be held December 21st.

Zoning Hearing Board – Meeting held on January 11th regarding Michalowski permanent camper. Request for variance was denied.

Joint Zoning Board – No report

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 Solicitor George.

CORRESPONDENCE: Western Berks Ambulance Report, GFL Monthly Recycling Report, ARRO Water Services Monthly Report, thank you card from David Randler, IFS Group Pension Plan Statements

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Weaver Minor Subdivision, requesting to reaffirm plans.

MOTION made to reaffirm the Weaver Minor Subdivision plans by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Brown. **PASSED** unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

- N/A

MOTION TO ADJOURN: by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup. Schoener, **PASSED** unanimously at 8:34pm.

**Next meeting will be held on January 2, 2024 at 6:00pm,
Reorganization Meeting**

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Werner, Township Secretary