

MINUTES - HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING
December 21, 2022

PRESENT: David Randler, Terry Wolfe, Kevin Snyder, Thomas Schoener Lori Brown, Andrew George, Officer Matt Hook, Nicole Werner, Geneva Berger, Ryan Zerbe, Eileen Zerbe

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

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Geneva Berger - Appreciative of Sewer forgiveness

Eileen Zerbe - no comment

MINUTES: November 30, 2022 **MOTION** made by Sup Schoener, **SECOND** Sup Snyder. **PASSED** unanimously.

TREASURERS REPORT: November, 2022 **MOTION** by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Brown. **PASSED** unanimously.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police Report- Report provided by Corporal Matt Hook (acting Interim Chief). No changes in service. Chief Grim built a great team. Caught the elusive rooster in Robesonia and taken to a farm. Second week of November, Officer Baxter and Aldo obtained recertification tracking narcotics and trafficking).

Fire Report- Chairman Randler and Ryan Zerbe spoke regarding the fire companies and response time for Robesonia and Womelsdorf. Womelsdorf is doing the bulk of calls to township. Chairman Randler would like to change run cards to Womelsdorf specifically. Ryan Zerbe would like to see Robesonia succeed and was asked to collect data. 2010 the line was changed to Hill Rd and West for Womelsdorf Fire Company primary response area for Heidelberg Township, eastern area is Robesonia. Funding, donations, and fire relief are all split 50/50. The run card would give Womelsdorf control over incidents/accidents/calls. Sup Schoener suggested we invite the new Robesonia Fire Chief to the next meeting to discuss.

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

Planning Commission – No Report

Roads, Building & Equipment - Chairman Randler, roof has been patched at Township Building. Truck is still at Kutz. John Deere needs to sign paperwork/documents for PennDOT.

MOTION to authorize David P. Randler to sign all PennDOT documentation regarding the purchase of John Deere loader by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Schoener. **PASSED** unanimously.

Personnel – No Report

Recreation Board/Pool - Pool report provided by Kevin Snyder. Guest passes up 29% and membership up over 10% from prior year. Trees removed and new planted, new pavilion to be placed on property, painting and new bathroom/concession stand flooring will be future projects that will need to be completed. Prior to Heidelberg Township taking over, the pool was \$20-25,000 “in the hole”.

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.

CORRESPONDENCE: Western Berks Ambulance Report, GFL Monthly Recycling Report, ARRO Water Services Monthly Report, Thank you cards.

- Letter from Andrew George to CWSD regarding school crossing guard (requesting recruiting, hiring and training be responsibility of school district). No response to date, believes there has been communication with the school board.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- PLIGIT Resolution (4.41%)

MOTION to pass Resolution #15-2022, Authorizing Heidelberg Township to join with other governmental units as a settlor of the Pennsylvania Local Governments Investment Trust for the purpose of purchasing shares in the Pennsylvania Local Governments Investment Trust by Sup Snyder,

SECOND by Sup Schoener. **PASSED** unanimously.

- Emergency Management Coordinator update from Secretary Werner. Mike Palm is not interested in the position as he does not want to go through the recertification process. Secretary Werner has been in contact with Ryan Zerbe to help find a replacement, along with Berks County Emergency Services.

- Lower Heidelberg Bridge update from Secretary Werner. Communication has been lost between the two municipalities due to Pamela Steven’s medical leave. Secretary Werner and Paul Prutzman at Lower Heidelberg Township will be point persons and will continue to communicate through the process. Rettew invoice received, Secretary Werner to contact, verify the township is only being invoice 50%.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Swift 911, Borough of Robesonia received notice the program will be ending on March 31, 2023 and the cost is significantly higher to purchase the new program. The Borough has decided to cancel the Swift 911 program and will contact their residents via social media. Secretary Werner feels it is necessary to have an additional way to communicate with residents as many do not use social media. She has been in contact with Joe Purfield regarding text through email.
- 13 Birdsfoot Drive, Secretary Werner reported 7-8 truck loads of dirt/stone have been delivered to the property, appears owner is trying to raise level of property. Directed to report situation to Berks County Conservation District and contact Quinn Haller of TEI to locate septic system.
- Colleen Toal called regarding Bunker Hill Rd and its safety. Requested a Township Supervisor call her to discuss.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: by Sup Brown, **SECOND** by Sup. Schoener, **PASSED** unanimously at 8:28pm

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Werner, Township Secretary