

MINUTES - HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING

June 28, 2023

PRESENT: David Randler, Terry Wolfe, Nicole Werner, Thomas Schoener, Kevin Snyder, Lori Brown, Andrew George, Esq., Geneva Berger, Officer Mark Hackney, Geraldine Yoh, Shalin Shultz, Elaine Shartle, Samantha & Donald Kerling, Brian Thumm, Eric Goudy, Randy & Kathleen Yarnall, Jane Miller

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

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Geneva Berger – No comment

Eric Goudy – No comment

Elaine Shartle – No comment

Eileen Zerbe – No comment

Geraldine Yoh – No comment

Shalin Shultz – Fry Manor resident, spoke regarding the feral cat issue. Would like to see the township implement a trap/neuter/spay program with a program like No Nonsense or Fair Child Foundation. Sup Wolfe suggested we hire a professional for advice. Ms. Shultz stated the problem is that too many people are feeding cats. Solicitor George stated the Borough of Robesonia recently started a similar program and adopted an ordinance. Randy Yarnall suggested speaking with the Game Commission. Geneva Berger mentioned her neighbor's small dog was attacked by feral cats the other evening, numerous complaints of cat feces in flower beds. Secretary Werner to contact the Game Commission and No Nonsense.

Samantha and Donald Kerling – Owners of CME Golf Carts. They are looking for permission to drive golf carts on Hill Rd, this allows the carts to be diagnosed. They stated there are grey areas within the golf cart laws and just want to do the right thing. Sup Wolfe stated Hill Rd is a state road and is not the township's jurisdiction. Officer Hackney stated the easiest way to handle is to register and plate carts, also contact the State Police or DMV.

MINUTES: May, 2023 **MOTION** made by Sup Schoener, **SECOND** Sup Snyder. **PASSED** unanimously with the correction of statement from Randy Yarnall, remove statement regarding lowering speed limit.

TREASURERS REPORT: May, 2023 **MOTION** made by Sup Wolfe, **SECOND** by Sup Snyder. **PASSED** unanimously.

June, 2023 **MOTION** made by Sup Wolfe, **SECOND** by Sup Snyder. **PASSED** unanimously.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police Report- Report provided by Officer Mark Hackney. 25 calls of service to Heidelberg Township, 1 citation issued, 0 criminal arrests. Speed detail was set up on West Ryeland Rd on June 26th. August 1st is National Night Out. The event will be held at the South Mountain Park from 5:00pm – 8:30pm.

Sewer – Jack Keener is extending the sewer line from Tulpehocken Forge Rd to Rosa's Salon. Larry & Garry stoned the sewer pump stations and painted the fencing. The propane tank at AWI was repaired and filled. Bethany Children's Home sewer pipe has a one-year warranty. They are currently relining the manholes. Fred Ebert sent a notice that one manhole is pushed off the top of the riser about 6"-8". Per Chairman Randler, the road should be cut open and the manhole reset by AH Moyer. Chairman Randler does not feel the township should except the line for a year, Fred Ebert agreed. Bethany Children's Home should keep possession the line for a year.

Planning Commission – Meeting scheduled for August 2nd to discuss Weaver Subdivision on Wooldtown Rd.

Keeping of Pets Ordinance, Jen Van Dyke from TEI suggested keeping the ordinance as is.

Roads, Building & Equipment -The swale has been installed on Wooldtown Rd for anticipated roadwork. Jeff Kerlin will be meeting with Chairman Randler, Larry Knoll and Sup Schoener on Friday morning to confirm numbers for proposed roadwork. Chairman Randler is recommending Birdsfoot Dr/Blossom Dr, Big Spring Rd (with bridge), and Wooldtown Road be completed. There is currently \$205,000 in the Liquid Fuels account, which would fund the Big Spring Rd project.

Received a paint quote from Nelson Martin Painting to paint exterior of township buildings, \$31,920.06.

MOTION made to approve Nelson Martin Painting quote at \$31,920.06 to paint exterior of township buildings by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Schoener. **PASSED** unanimously.

Ryeland Road, Sup Schoener spoke with paving company regarding installation of speed tables, estimating \$3,000-\$5,000 per piece. The township will need to verify with TEI.

Personnel – No Report

Recreation Board/Pool – Surpassed last year's membership

Zoning Hearing Board – No report

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 Andrew George, Esq.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- School Crossing Guard Ordinance, township will compensate the school district \$3,247.50 and capped at \$3,897.00 annually.

MOTION made to sign the School Crossing Guard Ordinance with an annual compensation to the Conrad Weiser School District set at \$3,247.50 annually and capped at \$3,897.00 annually by Sup Schoener, **SECOND** by Sup Brown. Opposed by Chairman Randler.

- Heidelberg Rd Bridge, no update
- Roadwork, meeting set with Jeff Kirlin for Friday, June 30th.
- 2018 International Property Maintenance Code, Secretary Werner presented the board with the differences between the 2006 and 2018 codes. Stated she did not see anything alarming, however Chairman Randler wanted to look further into the new Fire Suppression and Fire Resistance sections. Tabled to next month.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Zoning Hearing Fees, Heidelberg Township's fees are currently set at \$750. The current costs from the last project are approximately \$2,000. Secretary Werner to research local municipals and their fees.
- Weaver Subdivision on Wooltown Rd, requested plan review extension of 64 days. Added to Agenda after 24 hours notice. Board to amend agenda

MOTION made to amend the June 28, 2023 Board of Supervisors meeting agenda to add Weaver Subdivision plan review extension by 65 days by Sup Snyder,
SECOND Sup Brown. **PASSED** unanimously.

MOTION made to extend plan review to 65 days by Sup Snyder,
SECOND by Sup Brown. **PASSED** unanimously.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup. Schoener, **PASSED** unanimously at 9:05pm

**Next meeting will be held on July 26, 2023 at 7:30pm,
Board of Supervisors Meeting**

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Werner, Township Secretary