

MINUTES - HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING

May 31, 2023

PRESENT: David Randler, Terry Wolfe, Nicole Werner, Thomas Schoener, Kevin Snyder, Andrew George, Esq., Geneva Berger, Chief Matt Hook, Eric Goudy, Randy Yarnell

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

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Geneva Berger – Disappointed to see only one elected official at the Memorial Day Service in Robesonia. Secondly, she and other residents are concerned about a few properties in Fry Manor (odors, rodents, trash). The Board and Police Department have been aware of the issue and are taking steps to correct.

Eric Goudy – no comment

Randy Yarnell – Would like to know if he is still part of the recreation board. Seocnd, wanted to start paying attention to the township news. Trying to figure out what to do with the township owned lots on Ryeland Road. Would like to see speed bumps on Ryeland Rd. Chief Hook stated the problem is timing, am and pm rush hours when most calls come into the Berks County Radio.

MINUTES: April, 2023 **MOTION** made by Sup Schoener, **SECOND** Sup Snyder. **PASSED** unanimously.

TREASURERS REPORT: NO TREASURER’S REPORT, tabled to June meeting

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police Report- Report provided by Chief Matt Hook. 353 calls in total, 47 in Heidelberg Township, 37 at Conrad Weiser, 10 at Bethany Children’s Home, 6 traffic citations. SHPD hired Darren Daugherty (mid night shift) and two additional officers. Officially fully staffed. Last day of school is June 1st, graduation June 2nd, additional officer will be on duty.

Sewer – Road crew painted pump station fences.

Planning Commission – Marian Township is proposing changes to the Keeping of Pets ordinance (specifically for Marion Township only). They would like to see regulations loosened.

Roads, Building & Equipment -Knox Boxes have been installed at the township building and CW Community Pool. Secretary Werner to mail letters to all township commercial properties making them aware of Knox Boxes.

Wooltown Rd, shoulder and bank need to be graded. Sup Schoener and Chairman Randler to meet with crew to discuss.

Committee Reports continued. . .

Personnel – No Report

Recreation Board/Pool – CW Community Pool opened on May 27 for the season. Membership is strong (pool passes delivered), staffed heavily (7-8 new guards).

Zoning Hearing Board – Meeting scheduled for June 1st to discuss the subdivision of the David Weaver property on Big Spring & Wooltown Roads.

Joint Zoning Board - Meeting was held May 18th, Marion Township has proposed loosening the regulations on the Keeping of Pets section.

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, Letter from CW Lions club regarding donation for mulch at tot lot in Robesonia, Letter from SHTPD regarding Conrad Weiser Area School District application for COPS grant.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- School Crossing Guard Ordinance, school district forgot to add payroll taxes to the proposed numbers that were given last month. The final numbers are \$6,495 annually per guard, the township will reimburse the school district 50%. The cap would be set at \$7,794. Anything above will need to be further discussed.

MOTION made to advertise School Crossing Guard Ordinance at rate of \$6,495 and capped at \$7.794 by Sup Schoener, **SECOND** by Sup Snyder. **PASSED** unanimously.

- 2018 International Building Code, Solicitor George brought to the boards attention, it is noted in the 2018 IPMC there are NO junk vehicles allowed on properties, however, Heidelberg Township recently passed an ordinance stating one is allowed. Sup Snyder would like to see what the differences are from the current IPMC. Secretary Werner to provide requested information to board. Tabled till next month.

- Stormwater Management Ordinance, this is an unfunded mandate from DEP.

MOTION made to sign the Stormwater Management Ordinance by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Schoener. **PASSED** unanimously.

Unfinished Business continued. . .

- Heidelberg Road Bridge, Secretary Werner to contact Rettew and Lower Heidelberg Township for the next step in the process. Heidelberg Township would like to see the bid process begin. Prior to, Secretary Werner to contact Jen Van Dyke, TEI, to discuss reasonable timeframe for the bidding process.
- Know Boxes, see ***Roads, Buildings & Equipment report***

NEW BUSINESS:

- Complaints, discussed during audience participation
- Kissinger Property, partial release from financial security requested.

MOTION to release partial financial security to Traci Kissinger in the amount of \$12,751.25 made by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup Schoener. **PASSED** unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: ended 9:15pm

MOTION TO ADJOURN: by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup. Schoener, **PASSED** unanimously at 9:16pm

**Next meeting will be held on June 28, 2023 at 7:30pm,
Board of Supervisors Meeting**

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Werner, Township Secretary