

MINUTES - HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING

September 25, 2024

PRESENT: Dave Randler, Eric Goudy, Lori Brown, Tom Schoener, Nicole Werner, Solicitor Andrew George, Chief Matt Hook, Deb Ohlinger, Geneva Berger, Eileen Zerbe, Ryan Zerbe, John Christian, Randy & Kathy Yarnall, Heather Hannah

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

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Deb Ohlinger – No Comment

Geneva Berger – No Comment

Eileen Zerbe – No Comment

Randy Yarnall – Reported dead ash trees on Water Street

Heather Hannah – Introduced herself, candidate for PA District 5.

MINUTES: MOTION made to pass August 28, 2024 by Sup Schoener, **SECOND** Sup Goudy. **PASSED** unanimously.

TREASURERS REPORT: MOTION made to approve the September, 2024 treasurers report by Sup Brown, **SECOND** by Sup Goudy. **PASSED** unanimously.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police Report - Report provided by Chief Matt Hook. Reported on fatal motor vehicle accident on Route 422 & Big Spring Rd, investigation is complete and will update next month along with press release. Motorcycle ride caused havoc in Berks County, the ride ends at the Tuck Me in Motel in Stouchburg. During the ride, vehicle accident occurred with police officer. Big Spring Rd numbers were submitted. South Heidelberg PD were invited to Bethany Children's Home Tribute Dinner.

Fire Emergency Response –

John Christian, Fire Chief Pioneer House Station #26 - calls to date 307, up 2% from prior year. Calls of interest, fire on 40 W. Penn Ave, Big Spring Rd road closure due to tree. Staffing is short, roster of 27, 12 active, 6 consistent. Working with Berks DES to finalize run cards. Received \$20,000 grant.

Ryan Zerbe, Womelsdorf Volunteer Fire Co – No report

Sewer – No report.

Planning Commission – Meeting was held on September 4, 2024 to discuss Furnace Village III, no action taken. Next meeting scheduled for November 6, 2024 to discuss Brubaker Warehouse.

Committee Reports continued . . .

Roads, Building & Equipment –

- Public Works Truck, EM Kutz quote presented to Board. \$54,065 for the truck, \$34,262 for the utility body. Includes \$3,000 generator, 10'6" v-plow, work lighting, strobe lights. Given \$9,000 discount. Current pickup truck will be sold on MunicBid. Funds used from Sewer Account.

MOTION made by Sup Schoener to purchase 2023 Ford F-350, not to exceed \$83,000,
SECOND by Sup Goudy. **PASSED** unanimously.

- Dead/Deceased Trees, Heidelberg Township does not participate in the Shade Tree Commission, an Ordinance would need to be passed and would include mailing letters via certified to property owners to remove dead trees, township may remove trees after 30 days at property owner's expense. Arborist may need to be hired to determine health of trees. Sup Schoener suggested sending letters to residents prior to taking steps to pass an Ordinance.
- School Flashers, Quote from CM High to replace school flashers \$15,000, with solar option \$17,300. System will run remotely. Board agreed to purchase solar option.
- Township Building Signage, tabled
- Berks Traffic Line Painting Quote

MOTION made to except Berks Traffic quote for line painting, 58,520 LF double yellow and 28,829 white, for \$11,081.62 by Sup Schoener, **SECOND** by Sup Goudy. **PASSED** unanimously.

Personnel – No report

Recreation Board/Pool – Pool has closed for the season.

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 Solicitor George.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Western Berks Ambulance Report,
- GFL Monthly Recycling Report
- ARRO Water Services Monthly Report
- Robesonia Wernersville Municipal Authority August meeting minutes
- Crime Alert Berks County donation request

MOTION made to donate \$250 to Crime Alert Berks County by Sup Goudy, **SECOND** Sup Brown. **PASSED** unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

- Alden on Sixth, Intermunicipal Agreement with Womelsdorf Sewer Authority and Resolution #11-2024.

MOTION made to pass Resolution #11-2024 and sign Intermunicipal Agreement with Womelsdorf Sewer Authority in regard to Alden on Sixth by Sup Goudy, **SECOND** by Sup Schoener. **PASSED** unanimously.

- 551 Hill Rd, Traci Kissinger Financial Security Release. Tabled.
- 2025 Budget Review, tabled till October meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: dismissed at 8:52pm.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: by Sup Schoener, **SECOND** by Sup. Brown, **PASSED** unanimously at 8:53pm.

**Next meeting will be held on October 30, 2024 at 7:30pm,
Board of Supervisors Meeting.**

Respectfully Submitted,



Nicole Werner, Township Secretary