

MINUTES - HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING

August 28, 2024

PRESENT: Kevin Snyder, Dave Randler, Eric Goudy, Lori Brown, Tom Schoener, Solicitor Andrew George, Chief Matt Hook, Deb Ohlinger, Bob Martin, Charles Brown, Eileen Zerbe, Kim & Jim Reibsane, Geneva Berger

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

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Deb Ohlinger – No Comment

Bob Martin – No Comment

Charles Brown – Robesonia Library Donation Request in preparation for Budget Time. A Recap of services provided to the community.

Eileen Zerbe – No Comment

Kim Reibsane – No Comment

Jim Reibsane – No Comment

Geneva Berger – Question on the sewer line in Fry Manor.

MINUTES: MOTION made to pass July 31, 2024 by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** Sup Schoener. **PASSED** unanimously.

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

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police Report - Report provided by Chief Matt Hook. 53 Total Calls, 17 at Bethany. Had a meeting this week with Bethany to discuss the uptick in calls. We are hoping for ongoing communication to help work towards a resolution. The current call volume is around 10 hours a week. Communication also ongoing with the school district with hopes to increase their contribution towards the SRO. Parking complaints with Johnny and Hons due to overflow parking into Heidelberg Restaurant and Fusion Coatings.

Fire Emergency Response – 2 constituents reached out reporting that the Pioneer Hose Co response has been slow again recently. In the last week, one was a call right down the street from the Fire Station and the other on the west side of town. Western Berks or Womelsdorf arrived on the scene before Robesonia. Supervisor Randler suggested that we keep an eye on it as we approach the end of the year in discussion for 2025. More discussion to follow....

Sewer – No report.

Planning Commission – Meeting scheduled for September 4th at 7:00pm, Furnace Village III (Jack Keener)

Roads, Building & Equipment –

- Road work Update, settlement on Steeple Dr. There is a depression on Steeple Dr that Technicon is investigating. There is also a puddle at the intersection of Crossgate and N Church.
- Big Spring Rd – Speed Tables. Chief Hook is going to put the speed sign on Big Spring Rd to have it collect some data for us before making any decisions.
- Public Works Truck - Sup Randler is going to price a new truck for our guys with a utility body and V plow. IF we act soon, we might have it before the end of the year.
- Dead/Diseased Trees – Asked Andy to look into the notification to property owners of dead and/or diseased trees in the Twp right of way.
- Road Inspection (Completed July 15 & 16) – Dave and Nicole drove around the Twp and made a list of items to address to include signage, trimming, road/shoulder work, etc.
- TELCO School Flashers (quote in packet) – A motion was made by Eric and seconded by Tom to approve an upgrade to the school signs at a cost. We will chat with Telco on the exact details of the system to make sure it suits our needs.
- Township Building signage: Need sign for new call button, a Township Name sign on outside of building. Kevin and Nicole will work on designs, colors and sign placement.

Personnel – No report

Recreation Board/Pool – Supervisor Snyder reported that another community night was held earlier this month. We, again, had a nice turnout. The last day for the pool season is Monday September 2nd. It was a GREAT season. We are already looking forward to next 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 – Secretary Werner, Text My Gov is up and running. The first text was sent yesterday regarding trash service. To sign up, text HEIDEL to 91896.

Solicitor's Report – Report provided by Solicitor George.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Western Berks Ambulance Report,
- GFL Monthly Recycling Report
- ARRO Water Services Monthly Report
- Berks County Association of Township Officials Convention Invitation, please respond to Nicole if interested in attending (letter/invitation in packet)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Public Meeting Resolution Resolution #10-2024

MOTION to pass Public Meeting Resolution #10-2024 by Sup. Goudy,
SECOND by Sup Schoener. **PASSED** unanimously.

- Disruptive Conduct of Tenants of a Rental Property Ordinance #196. Secretary Werner to post on Website and Social Media.

MOTION to pass Disruptive Conduct of Tenants of a Rental Property Ordinance #196 by Sup. Brown,
SECOND by Sup Goudy. **PASSED** unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Resolution: Agreement to be host agent for Womelsdorf Vol. Fire Co. regarding LSAP Grant

MOTION made to pass Resolution to host agent agreement with the Womelsdorf Volunteer Fire Company regarding the LSAP Grant by Sup Schoener, **SECOND** by Sup. Goudy.
PASSED unanimously.

- 2025 Minimum Municipal Obligation Police Pension Plan - \$0

MOTION made to sign 2025 Minimum Municipal Obligation Police Pension Plan of \$0 contribution by Sup. Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup. Schoener. **PASSED** unanimously.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup. Brown, **PASSED** unanimously at 8:55pm.

**Next meeting will be held on September 25, 2024 at 7:30pm,
Board of Supervisors Meeting.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Werner, Township Secretary