

MINUTES - HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING

July 31, 2024

PRESENT: David Randler, Thomas Schoener, Eric Goudy, Kevin Snyder, Lori Brown, Nicole Werner, Solicitor Andrew George, Sargent Hackney, Eileen Zerbe, Geneva Berger, Township Resident, Kim Reibsane, Jim Reibsane, Rick Hartleib

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

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Eileen Zerbe – No comment

Geneva Berger – No comment

Jim & Kim Reibsane – No comment

Township Resident – Discussed Township concerns regarding proposed Ordinance

Rick Hartleib – No comment

MINUTES: June 26, 2024 **MOTION** made by Sup Schoener, **SECOND** Sup Snyder. **PASSED** unanimously with correction to Audience Participation.

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

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police Report - Report provided by Sargent Hackney. Township calls to service 55, 4 citations, 0 criminal arrests, 1 community relation. Bethnay Children’s Home calls to service 12 (year to date 103). National Night Out scheduled to August 6, 2024

Sewer – Generator repair in Fry Manor, leak from cooling system

Planning Commission – Meeting scheduled for September 4th at 7:00pm

Roads, Building & Equipment –

- Road Work Update: Big Spring Rd complete. Steeple Drive has two soft spots that need to be addressed. Both areas need to be painted.
- PPL LED Light Conversion: Light conversion complete minus 4 poles in Fry Manor. Secretary Werner has contacted PPL to correct.
- Chapel Ridge Estates: Street lights need to be painted along with stop/speed sign posts.
- Road Signs: Fry Manor and Brossman Heights need stop/speed signs replaced.

Committee Reports continued . . .

- Big Spring Rd mailboxes: Chairman Randler would like to see the mailboxes along Big Spring Rd relocated to side where homes are located. Robesonia Postmaster said it is “not that easy”. Chairman Randler would like to move forward, township will relocate posts. Need approval from post office.
- Big Spring Rd speed humps: Discussion on future speed humps on Big Spring Rd
- Casella: Invoices were mailed late, residents receiving calls from Casella asking to pay a balance of \$2.16 (balance of new contract price). There is much confusion within the Township. Secretary Werne shared her concerns with Casella.

Personnel – No report

Recreation Board/Pool – Sup Snyder reported the community event held in July was a success. The next community event to be held on August 2nd. Parking concerns were brought to the pool board and corrected.

Zoning Hearing Board – No report

Joint Zoning Board – Public Hearing held on July 18th.

Engineers Report – Report provided by TEI.

SEO Report - Report Provided by TEI

Zoning Report - Report Provided by TEI

Communications – Secretary Werner has begun weekly training sessions. Robesonia Borough has not agreed to the contract between Heidelberg Twp and TextMyGov.

Solicitor’s Report – Report provided by Solicitor George. Bethany Children’s Home meeting scheduled for August 26th, Chief Hook, Sean McKee and Kevin Snyder to attend and discuss potential payment in lieu of taxes.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Public Meeting Resolution: Policy outlines structure to meetings, allowing ways to ensure equal opportunity to speak, time limits, rules regarding video recording. Chairman Randler would like to add the following to Section 3.B: add area for name and address on sign in sheet provided by Township. Tabled till next month.

NEW BUSINESS:

- DCR Ordinance, Regulations Governing Disruptive Conduct for Rental Property Tenants: Presented by Sargent Hackney. The DCR gives the Township authority to evict if there are 3 offenses within a 12 months' time. Judge Young is aware and in in favor. Chairman Randler stated the Township does not have a rental program in place, asked how the DCR would be tracked and does not agree a lease agreement should be needed to enforce. He suggested removing the section discussing tenant to sign lease agreement. Sup Snyder suggested setting up a rental program in the Township which would require an Ordinance be passed. Table till next month.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: by Sup Snyder, **SECOND** by Sup. Goudy, **PASSED** unanimously at 8:32pm.

**Next meeting will be held on August 28, 2024 at 7:30pm,
Board of Supervisors Meeting.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Werner, Township Secretary