

Penn Township Supervisor Meeting

May 3, 2023

Chairman Jon Payne called the 5.3.2023 Supervisor Meeting to order at 5:58 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present included: Supervisors: Jon Payne, Ross Smoker and Isaac Ramer Jr., Township Manager Julie Hartley and Jim Bathgate – Solicitor

Public Present: Bill Kline, Brian Hipple, Jason Kaufman, Chris Fetter and Greg Pysher

Minutes – On motion by Isaac Ramer Jr., seconded by Jon Payne, and Ross Smoker abstaining to approve the April 19, 2023 supervisor's meeting minutes.

Persons Present to be Heard:

Brian Hipple, DH&L Ambulance – Brian shared the ambulance report for April noting that there were nineteen advanced life support, one ILS and twenty-nine basic life support, thirteen non-transports and three fire stand-by calls. There were sixty-two total emergencies with five missed calls. They will be having an advanced life support class starting June 1st. EMS week is May 21st through the 27th and food and service recognition awards will be given to the crew. Another school group, which consisted of a life skills program for special needs children, was hosted at the station for an EMS education event.

Jason Kaufman, DH&L Fire Company – Jason reported for the month of April there were thirty incidents and one major fire loss at the Salem Lutheran Church. No other substantial incidents occurred. The pre-build for the tower of the ladder truck was this week and delivery is still expected in January of 2024. May 31 to June 3 is their carnival and there is a golf tournament slated for June also.

Greg Pysher, ESCRA – Greg gave an update on the Bright Farms sewage disposal. He explained that Zook's is hauling all wastewater to Lewisburg Borough and Milton Borough sewage plants. Manifests from these loads are supposed to be sent to ESCRA automatically but they had to be requested from Greg. He noted that 25,000 gallons per day are being hauled out of Penn Greenhouse. Two DEP reportable leaks were reported by Susan Seebold of PTMA since the tanks were put in use. Jim Bathgate will coordinate with Bob Cravitz to determine if the tanks qualify as holding tanks which would trigger regulations from the Holding Tank Ordinance.

New Business:

Multi-Modal Grant Resolution 2023-11 – **On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation to sign the Multi-Modal Grant Resolution, 2023-11 for the S. Front Street project.**

Snyder Co. Planning Commission Comment Letter, Zoning Amendment – The letter from the Snyder County Planning Commission noted that they had no comments regarding the zoning amendment for Medical Marijuana facilities. The Planning Commission will review the comment letter at their next meeting.

CBDG Funding for ESP Paths – An email was received from Tyler Dombroski informing the Board that the funding for the path paving of East Snyder Park is on hold from DCED.

Chad Shaffer to review Diversified Management Solutions Land Development – Diversified Management has completed all the improvements in their land development plan and have requested their financial security be released. Chad Shaffer will need to review the project to make that determination. **On motion by Ross Smoker, seconded by Isaac Ramer Jr., and Board acclamation to have Chad Shaffer review Diversified Management's improvements.**

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Chemung Quote for used guiderail for ESP Parking Lot – Options were discussed including guiderails and jersey walls to stop people from parking on the grass at East Snyder Park. **On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation to table the discussion on parking barriers until the next Board meeting.**

Electronics Recycling Event for 2023 – After discussion about holding an electronics recycling event the following motion was made: **On motion by Isaac Ramer Jr., seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation no electronic recycling event will be held in 2023.**

Change order for Perkinson Bridge – A change order in the amount of \$4,241.84 for certified welding to be provided by Kevin E. Raker Construction LLC was presented to the Board. In order to comply with the requirements of the retro-reimbursement grant the welds at the bridge require certified welders. **On motion by Ross Smoker, seconded by Jon Payne and Isaac Ramer Jr. voting no, the change order for certified welding at Perkinson Bridge was accepted.**

Electricity to Comfort Station Update – Julie shared an update on the township's part of getting electricity to the future site of the comfort station. PPL will provide all conduit and wire from the pole to the transformer. The transformer will be purchased by the township for approximately \$1,900.

Mower Discussion – On the Roadmaster's report it was noted that there were issues with both mowers at the same time. Julie shared that the one mower needed a new spindle and the other needed minor repairs which prompted the rental of two mowers. Options were discussed and this topic will be placed on the next meeting's agenda.

DH&L Fire and Ambulance – **On motion by Isaac Ramer Jr., seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation to have DH&L Ambulance and Fire Company both come in before budget talks this year to ask for any support that they might need for 2024.**

Old Business: None

Reports:

Julie Hartley, Manager
 ∞ Written Report Provided
Mark Strawser, Roadmaster
 ∞ Written Report Provided
Julie Hartley, Zoning Officer
 ∞ Written Report Provided
Fred Ulrich, Emergency Management Coordinator – No report
Jim Bathgate, Solicitor – No report

FYI:

- ESCRA March Meeting Minutes

Land/Subdivision:

- Bright Farms – Final LD, filed 6.17.20, due 7.13.23

Approval of Accounts Payable (State & General Funds) – **On motion by Isaac Ramer Jr., seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation to pay the bills.**

Adjournment – **On motion by Ross Smoker, seconded by Isaac Ramer Jr., and Board acclamation to adjourn at 7:48 pm.**

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Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Hartley
Manager