

WAYNE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
December 7, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Wayne Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, December 7, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. at the Wayne Township Building, 1418 Wampum Road, Ellwood City, PA. Supervisors in attendance were William Hepler, Marc Cunningham, and Rick Weingartner. Solicitor Ryan Long and Secretary/Treasurer Samantha Laszlo were also in attendance.

VISITORS: Bob Cunningham, Michael Lubenski, Tootie Welsh, Craig Owens Jr., Mariann Owens, Michelle Downing, Craig Owens Sr., Larry Houk, Patty Houk

Supervisor Hepler called the meeting to order, beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance and then a Moment of Silence.

Weingartner motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes from November 2, 2023. Cunningham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Concerns about our current Code Enforcement Officer and the lack of communication and follow-through with recent code violations were discussed.

Dutch Ridge Road residents spoke about an ongoing sewage malfunction at a neighboring property. There is also concern with someone occupying an accessory structure at the same property. Code Enforcement has visited the property twice and found the structure uninhabitable, with no evidence of the structure being occupied.

A resident raised concern about the condition of Dutch Ridge Road. The Supervisors advised that we receive a certain allotment of money from liquid fuels each year to pave and maintain roads.

NEW BUSINESS:

Hepler motioned to approve Resolution 11 of 2023, a resolution authorizing the exoneration of property taxes due to a catastrophic flood. Motion seconded by Weingartner. Motion carried.

Weingartner motioned to approve Resolution 12 of 2023, a resolution appointing Hermann and Loll, Inc. as CPA for the 2023 audit. The resolution was properly advertised. Cunningham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Cunningham motioned to approve the adoption of Ordinance 2 of 2023. The ordinance establishes a maximum speed limit of 25 mph on Mount Hope Road. The ordinance was properly advertised. Hepler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Weingartner motioned to approve the Pappert Lot Consolidation subject to a favorable recommendation from the Wayne Township Planning Board. Cunningham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Weingartner motioned to approve the Pennington Subdivision subject to a favorable recommendation from the Wayne Township Planning Board. Cunningham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Weingartner motioned to set and advertise the Reorganization Meeting for Tuesday, January 2, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., with the Board of Supervisors' regular monthly meeting to follow immediately. Hepler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Cunningham made a motion to set and advertise the Auditor's Meeting for Wednesday, January 3, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. Weingartner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Weingartner made a motion to approve a \$100.00 holiday bonus for employees. Working supervisors are exempt from the bonus. Cunningham seconded the motion. Hepler abstained. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bids were received for the Emergency Storm Damage Repairs Project. They are as follows:

- 1.) C. Crump Inc. - \$19,000.00
- 2.) North Beaver Contracting LLC - \$22,195.00
- 3.) JET Excavating Co. - \$37,750.00

Weingartner motioned to approve and award the project to C. Crump Inc. for \$19,000.00. Cunningham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Weingartner made a motion to approve and adopt the 2024 Budget. Cunningham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT: A motion was made by Cunningham to approve the financial report. Weingartner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

BILLS TO BE APPROVED: Cunningham motioned to approve the bills' payment. Weingartner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

SOLICITORS REPORT: Nothing to report.

POLICE REPORT: 30 Calls for Service – 3 Accidents – 0 Citations – 0 Criminal Complaints – 2 Animal Complaints – 6 Traffic Stops/Warnings

SUPERVISORS' REPORT: Nothing to report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURN: Weingartner made a motion to adjourn. Cunningham seconded the motion. Motion carried.



Samantha Laszlo, Secretary/Treasurer