Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic the regular meeting of the Hereford Township Board of Supervisors was held via Zoom and in person. Those present were Supervisors John Membrino, Keith Masemore, and Karla Dexter, Secretary/Treasurer Diane Hollenbach, Engineer Jennifer Van Dyke, Solicitor Eugene Orlando,

Guests: Albert Ciccarone, Larry Iampietro, Joanne & Carl Denslow, Paul Grenewald, Steve Keim, Caryl Pettijohn, Glenn Greenawald, Joe Brooke, Terry Fichter, John Yanan, Bill Shea, Stan & Sandra Perambo, John & Hilary Yanan, Matt Ferdock, Barb & Gary Snyder, Jeff Nelson, Vic See, Micah Fisher, George Hiltner, Kris Gischel, Tom Malinaric, Matt Moyer, Matt Spangenberg and Irene Donovan, Candace Perry, Thomas O’Connor, and Harlan Snyder on Zoom.

Mr. Membrino called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

**MINUTES**

Mr. Membrino made a motion and Ms. Dexter seconded approving the June 21, 2022, regular meeting minutes. All were in favor. Motion passed.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Mr. Membrino made a motion and Mr. Masemore seconded to pay the bills and approve the Treasurer’s bill list. All were in favor. Motion passed.

**PERSONAL APPEARANCES** - None

**WORK CREW REPORT**

Mr. Masemore reported the road crew paved in Rockland Township and mowed the state roads. They will be paving in Longswamp Township in the coming weeks and finish mowing the township roads. There are issues with the tractor which is thirty years old. The road crew is looking to bid on another belt loader.

**ENGINEER**

**Hollyberry Road Tree Removal Bid** - Ms. VanDyke reported that two bids were received for the removal of the trees on Hollyberry Road and were rejected for being over the budgeted amount. Companies that did not bid the project were asked why. Some did not do big projects until late fall or winter. Some became aware of the project too late and for others, the township was too great a distance from them. If the project is rebid, the township should consider giving more time and pushing the completion date back. The Supervisors asked if Chris Day could come to the July 19th meeting to discuss what trees the road crew could take down. Caryl Pettijohn of Hollyberry Road was concerned that Beyond the Leaf had not submitted a bid.

**Arborist Project** – Ms. VanDyke reported the arborist is still on hold.

**Spring Hill Storm Water Project** – Ms. VanDyke met with Mr. Day and received contact information from the landowner. Ms. VanDyke will contact the landowner to determine what they will allow as the project will need a permanent storm water easement.

**Wawa Grand Opening** – Mr. Membrino mentioned that he and Ms. VanDyke attended the Wawa open house. The Technicon engineering team and Ms. VanDyke were recognized for their hard work on the project.

**SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

The Board reviewed a copy of the SEO report for June 2022.

**BUILDING INSPECTOR and ZONING OFFICER REPORT**

The Board reviewed a copy of the Building Inspector’s and Zoning Officer’s report for June 2022.

**SOLICITER**

**Ordinance to Repeal 2021-01 Removal of Dangerous Trees**

Mr. Masemore made a motion and Ms. Dexter seconded to authorize the solicitor to advertise in the Town and Country Newspaper and on the township website a public hearing for August 2, 2022 beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Ordinance 2022-01 Repealing 2021-01 Removal of Dangerous Trees. All were in favor. Motion passed. The regular township meeting will immediately follow the public hearing.

**Planning Commission Stipend Revoked**

Mr. Membrino made a motion and Ms. Dexter seconded to adopt Resolution 16-2022 revoking Resolution 2002-05 and eliminating a meeting stipend for Planning Commission members. All were in favor. Motion passed.

**Act 537 Plan Working Group** – Nothing new to report.

**SECRETARIES REPORT**

Ms. Hollenbach provided the Board with a written report. An updated fee schedule was emailed to the Board which would update the review escrow billing to minimize billing. The SAM registration was submitted to the Federal Government and renewed. The annual seal coat bid was advertised for opening bids next meeting, and the bid emailed to AMS and Martin Paving. The Board discussed reimplementing a quarterly newsletter and gave the secretary some ideas on things to include. Berks County has also sent a letter informing municipalities that the County will no longer host municipal websites. Ms. Hollenbach will be contacting Paul Yaskowski for help with hosting of the new Township website.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Mancini Variance Escrow**

Mr. Membrino made a motion and Ms. Dexter seconded to approve the release of $495.40 to Mark Mancini from the Mancini Variance Escrow. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Seisholtzville Fire Company Run Cards**

Mr. Membrino made a motion and Mr. Masemore seconded to amend the agenda to include approval of the Seisholtzville Fire Company run cards. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Mr. Membrino made a motion and Ms. Dexter seconded to approve the Station 39, Seisholtzville Fire Company run cards as presented. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mat Ferdock of Weaver Road thanked the Board for repealing the Dangerous Tree Ordinance. Some residents have started taking marked trees down. Mr. Ferdock suggested that there be discussion about the next steps to raise money for a bucket truck.

There being no further business, Mr. Membrino made a motion and Mr. Masemore seconded to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Diane Hollenbach, Secretary/Treasurer