

## HEREFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

July 6, 2021

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic the regular meeting of the Hereford Township Board of Supervisors was held both in-person and on Zoom. Those presents were Supervisors John Membrino, Keith Masemore, Karla Dexter, Secretary Norann Warmkessel, Assistant Secretary Louisa Masemore, Engineer Jennifer Van Dyke, Solicitor Eugene Orlando, Harlan Snyder, Irene Donovan, Mr. Caryl Pettijohn, Mr. Glen Greenawald and Ms. Rosemary Greenawald. Those attending on Zoom were, Jeffery Ney, John T. Neilson, Thomas O'Connor, and Candace Perry.

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

### **MINUTES**

Mr. Membrino made a motion and Ms. Dexter seconded approving the June 15<sup>th</sup> regular meeting minutes. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Mr. Membrino made a motion and Mr. Masemore seconded to pay the bills and approve the Treasurer's report. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **PERSONAL APPEARANCES**

There were no personal appearances.

### **WORK CREW REPORT**

Mr. Masemore reported that the mowing was done for the first part of the state contract. They were having trouble with both of their tractors, and it has been hard to get parts for the New Holland. The crew has also been working with Rockland and Longswamp Townships paving in Longswamp.

### **ENGINEER**

#### **Memo Farms**

Ms. Van Dyke informed the board that the three-lot subdivision on Orthaus Rd. had been given a final plan approval recommendation by the Planning Commission at their June 30<sup>th</sup> meeting. Mr. Membrino abstained from the decision. Mr. Masemore made a motion that subject to the conditions of the Technicon letter of June 21, 2021, the final plan be approved, Ms. Dexter seconded. Motion Passed.

#### **Camp Mensch Mill**

Ms. Van Dyke informed the board that they were still working on quotes for Camp Mensch Mill, and possibly needing formal survey and core drilling. Mr. Masemore asked if it would be less expensive to just vacate the road and possibly leave it as a walkway, Ms. Van Dyke said she would research that possibility with Mr. Orlando.

### **WAWA**

Ms. Van Dyke informed the board that the work on WAWA is going well, the storm sewer, water pipes and the septic have been installed.

### **SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

The Board reviewed the Sewage Enforcement Officer's report for April 2021.

### **BUILDING INSPECTOR**

#### **Building Inspector's Report**

The Board reviewed the Building Inspector's report for April 2021.

### **SOLICITOR**

#### **Ash Trees**

Mr. Orlando stated that he had not received the email from the office in reference to the subject, but it was possible he had missed it and asked for the details. Mr. Pettijohn said that there were around three dozen ash trees in the right of way on Hollyberry Road ranging in size from 18" to 3' that were dead and falling becoming a danger for the residents. Mr. Orlando stated that under the Second-Class Township Code, trees within the right of way, if they have been deemed hazardous or problematic to

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the use of the roadway itself the township has the legal right to remove the said hazardous trees. The wood should be offered to the residents. Mr. Pettijohn mentioned that one of the branches had already almost hit a girl. Ms. Van Dyke asked if they had measured out the right of way distance, and Mr. Pettijohn stated that he has and that the section of road in question had a right of way of 51'. Ms. Van dyke said the normal size for a right of way was 33'. Because the size of the right of way was called into question, Mr. Orlando and Ms. Van Dyke asked for the plans to be sent to them in the morning. Ms. Greenawald asked how the determination of an unsafe area would be a Hazard to the roadway. Mr. Orlando replied that it would be determining by the Board of Supervisors per the code.

### **Neilson**

Mr. Orlando informed the board that Mr. Neilson and his lawyer were working on refining the details of their plan and that Mr. Ebert of Ebert Engineering was not yet ready for bring forth the needed information.

### **SECRETARY REPORT**

Ms. Warmkessel reported that she had gotten the application for the American Relief Fund completed on time, bur the hardest part was getting the SAMS number as its website took her in circles for a while. Mr. Membrino asked if the Auditors had met yet and Ms. Warmkessel said she had yet to be successful in getting in contact with them via email and was going to try calling them.

Mr. Membrino informed her and the board that the Act 65 would take effect in August of 2021 requiring the posting of the agenda 24 hours ahead of the meeting and for the topics to be more specific.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **Tim Smith Roofing**

Mr. Membrino made a motion to pass the roofing proposal for the slate barn roof from Tim Smith Roofing for approximately 150 missing slates at a cost of \$4650, it was seconded by Ms. Dexter. Motion Passed.

#### **Perkiomen Performance**

Mr. Membrino made a motion to rescind the previous motion to accept the truck body quote from Perkiomen Performance due to their Costars pricing not being valid, seconded by Ms. Dexter. Motion Passed. Mr. Membrino told the office to notify Perkiomen Performance first thing in the morning.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **America250PA**

The board was made aware of a Resolution to promote the America250PA program the Center for Excellence in Local Government sent to us for consideration. The board asked for more information on it to discuss at a future meeting.

#### **Fire Police**

Mr. Membrino made a motion to accept the appointment of the fire policeman, Ronald S. Leibowitz, Ms. Dexter seconded. Motion Passed.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There being no further business, Mr. Membrino made a motion and Mr. Masemore seconded to adjourn at 8:13 PM. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Louisa Masemore, Assistant Secretary