

TOWNSHIP OF WEST MAHANoy
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

DEC 19, 2023
MINUTES

Meeting of the West Mahanoy Township Board of Supervisors was held on the above date at 7:00 p.m. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Martin.

ROLL CALL: Paul Martin, Mickey Kayes (via phone), Atty. James Amato, Chief Marvin Livengood, Michael Michalik, Donald Zimmerman and Jim Heffner.

PUBLIC: none

Minutes of November 21, 2023, regular meeting was approved by Kayes, seconded by Martin. Motion passes.

TREASURER REPORT: Michalik read off the report (copy attached)

FIRE REPORT: Martin gave report. William Penn F.C. handed in reports for October and November.

POLICE REPORT: Livengood read off the report for the month of November 2023. He reported that there were 65 calls that were handled by the police department for the month. Chief stated the department handed out four traffic citations, four parking and QOL tickets, there were five non-traffic arrests that were made during the month. Police collected \$ 1713.49 for the month for parking tickets, citations, and accident reports. The year-to-date collection for fines and reports is \$ 9777.30.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: Heffner read a report for the month of November and stated he had a total of 12 complaints received. Fourteen total permits were issued. He did eight home inspections. Martin added that there have been issues with homeowners taking down the signs that have been posted on their homes concerning unfit for habitation. The signs are usually put up because there is no running water in their homes. Heffner added that he will be reposting the signs, taking a picture of the sign posted, and sending certified letters out to the homeowners. Martin added this is done to ensure that the property owners will be cited if these signs are taken down.

ROAD CREW REPORT: Zimmerman updated that all trucks, salt spreaders and plows and the crew are ready for the weather winter.

All of the above reports were approved by Kayes, seconded by Martin. Motion passes.

CORRESPONDENCE: Chair read off letter from the Department of Transportation concerning a pre-construction conference that will be held earlier today concerning the route 61 construction project from St. Clair to Frackville.

Chair stated that the Township received a letter from Attorney Campion concerning the Intermunicipal transfer of liquor license to the Auto Museum located on 2 Eleanor Avenue in the Frackville Industrial Park. Amato spoke on this matter and suggested the Board advertise a public hearing on their request. Motion was made by Martin to advertise a public hearing for February 20 at 6:30 p.m., seconded by Kayes. Motion passes.

OLD BUSINESS: Chair asked for a motion to approve the 2024 final budget. He added that the Budget is a balanced budget with both revenues and expenditures at \$2,041,000. Mileage rate remains at 7.15 mils. Resolution #2023-9 and# 2023-10 are included within the budget, Kayes made a motion to approve the 2024 final budget, seconded by Martin, motion passes.

Chair asked for a motion to advertise the meeting dates for 2024. The reorganization meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 2 at 7 p.m. Resident Rick Mummery asked when the meetings take place, Michalik told him the third Tuesday of the month except for January's meeting. Motion was made Kayes, seconded by Martin. Motion passes.

NEW BUSINESS: Chair announced that the 2022 Audit of the Township finances is completed, and everything is in good working order.

Chair asked for a motion to approve a subdivision plan submitted by Michael and Helene Creasy and Albert Ruiz and Martisa Szczyglak for properties located on tax parcels #36-09-0134.000, 36-09-135.000, and 36-09-0137.000 recommended by the Planning Commission's review. Motion was made by Kayes, seconded by Martin. Motion passes.

PUBLIC: Rick and Laura Mummery asked the Board several questions concerning the cost of the sewer bill for township residents. Attorney Amato, Michalik, and Martin discussed the issue with him at length. Highlights of discussion was talk of the Pennvest loan that was taking out in 2008 to finance the Sewer project of the homes that were required to connect to the Shenandoah sewer system which is responsible for the additional cost township residents must bear.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m. Motion was made by Kayes, seconded by Martin. Motion passes.

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