

Howe Township  
November 4, 2021

The Howe Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Hope Eternal Church at 2 Burd Rd, Newport at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 4, 2021 Present: Chairman Dale Beaver, Vice Chairman Charles Burd, Supervisor Kathy Donahey, Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Cangioli, Corporal Jessica Snyder-PSP, Barry Albertson, Community Life Team, Chad Tressler-New Bloomfield EMS, Nancy Beaver, Carson Walker, Luke Roman-Perry County Times.

Chairman Beaver called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Secretary Cangioli called the roll. All Supervisors were present.

A motion was made to approve the minutes for October 7, October 12, October 19 and October 21, 2021 as presented; Burd/Donahey. Motion carried.

A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay the bills as presented; Donahey/Burd. Motion carried.

### **GOOD AND WELFARE**

Corporal Snyder from the Pennsylvania State Police from the Newport station gave an oral report of the activities that have gone on in the Township from January 2020 to December 2020.

Chad Tressler from the New Bloomfield EMS spoke regarding the ALS services they have provided for the last 11 years to the township. They have had some staffing issues. They have partnered with Life Team which is a Harrisburg based ALS. Medic response times for Zone 10-10 call box in the township was provided. Barry Albertson, Director of Life Team provided information on his organization. They are providing 3 paramedics 24/7 at the New Bloomfield station and believe the staffing issues have been addressed. Medic 81 out of Duncannon is still answering calls as second due.

Carson Walker addressed the Board regarding speeding traffic on Church Rd. The posted 25mph speed limit is not being obeyed and it's a safety issue. Road Master Beaver will look at different remedies to address the situation and something will be done.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The vacancy on the Zoning Hearing Board still needs to be filled and is posted on the website.

Penn State Health Life Lion sent a letter regarding their response times to calls.

Chairman Beaver has contacted several Tax Collectors from surrounding townships pending the results of the write in votes of the election.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Chairman Beaver was approached by the PIRMA Insurance people about being considered as candidate on their board. He submitted a letter of interest to them. A letter of support from the Howe Township Board is required for his candidacy. A motion was made that the Board of Supervisors draft a letter on behalf of Dale Beaver in support of his candidacy for a position as a board member on the PIRMA board; Burd/Donahey. Beaver abstained. Motion carried.

Chairman Beaver submitted the application to the Perry County Commissioners for American Rescue Plan funds to build an addition on to the truck garage for an office and meeting space. The estimated cost is between \$500,000 and \$562,500 based on previous numbers.

The Board has designated Nancy Cangoli, Secretary/Treasurer, Wayne Wilson, Road Crew Laborer, Larry Moyer, Road Crew Laborer as essential employees who worked through the Covid 19 pandemic from January 27, 2020 thru August 31, 2021.

A motion was made to adopt Resolution 21-01 Providing for Supplemental Appropriations for the 2021 Budget amount of American Rescue Fund Allocations received in the amount of \$20,724.50 for premium pay to Nancy Cangoli \$3,573.92, Wayne Wilson \$2,918.50 and Larry Moyer \$1,786.45 for the period January 27, 2020 thru August 31, 2021; Donahey/Burd. Motion carried. The Board thanked these employees for working through the pandemic.

A motion was made to advertise the Board's intention to appoint a Certified Public Accountant to perform the audit for the fiscal year 2021; Beaver/Burd. Motion carried.

### **MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY REPORT/JSC REPORT**

Draft meeting minutes have been received for October 7th and October 18th. Supervisor Burd reported final testing of the generators is to be done. All the commercial users will be the first to start sending flow to Newport. The mandatory 60day sewer hookup letters and packets went out last week to residents. The HTMA website went live. It's interactive and payments will be accepted through the website. Bob Kratzer with the Juniata Sewage Committee will be doing the hookup inspections to the system. JSC is considering an annual membership fee of \$1,000 from the townships they provide service to cover unbillable expenses.

Bob Kratzer has delayed his retirement to assist a new person transitioning into his position.

Chairman Beaver has received calls regarding the mandatory 60day sewer hookup. The Board will be as understanding and lenient as possible if a good faith effort to hook up in 60 days has been made by the resident to have the required sewer connection completed. The Board of Supervisors has the authority to grant exceptions.

### **SOLICITOR REPORT**

There was nothing new to report.

### **ZONING REPORT**

The CK COG issued 1 permit to Volta/Giant Plaza for a charging station. The Zoning Hearing Board granted McDonald's parking space variance request on October 27, 2021.

### **PLANNING COMMISSION**

There was no meeting in October.

### **ROAD MASTER**

Line painting is now scheduled for November 11th. The auger on the spreader was repaired.

### **OPEN FORUM**

Luke Roman had several questions regarding the premium pay that was awarded to the essential workers from the ARP funds and the Advance Life Support (ALS) services.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m.; Donahey/Burd. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Cangoli  
Secretary