

Howe Township
October 6, 2022

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, October 6, 2022. Present: Chairman Dale Beaver, Vice Chairman Charles Burd, Supervisor Kathy Donahey, Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Cangioli, Trey Barbour-Pivotal Housing Partners, Nancy Beaver, 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 regular business meeting minutes for September 1, 2022 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. The second tranche of the American Rescue Plan funds in the amount of \$20,790.03 has been received. Chairman Beaver will speak with Pennian Bank regarding the interest rates on the CD's we currently have invested with them.

GOOD AND WELFARE

Trey Barbour, Senior Vice President for Pivotal Housing Partners provided an update to the board on the Bretz Court Senior project. They expect a tax credit award from the Pennsylvania Housing Finance by the end of the year. They are partnering with RB Development in Harrisburg but Pivotal is the lead developer. There will be a total of 39 units. The occupancy restrictions are for ages 62 and older, income under 60% of the area's median income and there will be tenant screening. There is a deed restriction that runs with the land. The target date for completion of the project is the 3rd quarter of 2025. They will be requesting 2 zoning variances for the building height and parking spaces.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The application for APRA funds to the Perry County Commissioners is still pending.

NEW BUSINESS

Dave Mayer requested by phone to the Secretary if 2 Tractor Crossing signs could be installed at Harry Horting's farm on Juniata Parkway East. PennDot told him it is the townships responsibility to put the signs up. He needs to put the request in writing and provide the information that PennDot is not responsible to install these signs because this is a state road.

A motion was made to adopt and enact Resolution 2022-07 requiring the Tax Collector to waive initial charges for real estate taxes in accordance with Act 57; Beaver/Donahey. Motion carried.

Sylvester's Services is starting recycling services, they would be selling recycling bags at various locations and inquired if the township would be interested in having, free of charge, a 4 yd open dumpster put at the garage for drop offs. The board liked the idea but had several concerns about the additional wages for the roadcrew, how to set up the area and the possible abuse of the items accepted requirements. Chairman Beaver will do more investigating and the matter was tabled.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Draft minutes from September 19, 2022 have been submitted. Supervisor Burd reported on those minutes and the sewer connection status report provided by Theresa Moyer for September.

JUNIATA SEWAGE COMMITTEE

There will be a meeting with Bob Kratzer, Donna Woods, Herbie Stoner from the Juniata Sewage Committee and Supervisor Burd on the billing from them for the sewer inspections.

SOLICITOR REPORT

The Zoning Ordinance Sign Provision update is pending. A compilation of prior work efforts needs to be done before proceeding.

ZONING REPORT

The CK COG issued permits to Keith Sheaffer for an accessory addition and McDonalds for 2 directional signs. Chairman Beaver will attend their full membership meeting on October 13th.

PLANNING COMMISSION

There was no meeting in September.

ROAD MASTER

The line painting issue with Alpha Space Control has been resolved and payment was made. They have submitted an additional invoice which Chairman Beaver will discuss with them.

A load of salt and cinders have been delivered. There was an accident at the intersection of Gypsy Hollow and Juniata Parkway E. which resulted in guiderail damage. It is not known who caused the damage. The PSP will be contacted for this information. Chemung Supply will be contacted for repair of the guiderail.

OPEN FORUM

Luke Roman inquired about the new Act 57 requirements.

Chairman Beaver adjourned the meeting at 6:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Cangioli
Secretary