

Howe Township
November 3, 2022

The Howe Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Hope Eternal Church at 2 Burd Rd, Newport, PA at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 3, 2022. Present: Chairman Dale Beaver, Vice Chairman Charles Burd, Supervisor Kathy Donahey, Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Cangioli.

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 business and budget meeting minutes for October 6, October 11, October 18, and October 20, 2022 as presented; Donahey/Beaver. Motion carried.

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

GOOD AND WELFARE

None was offered.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The application for APRA funds to the Perry County Commissioners is still pending. Sylvester's Services offer to provide a dumpster free of charge at the garage for recycling services has been tabled indefinitely. There are numerous issues the Board has with the offer.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Beaver sent a letter of support for the Bretz Court Senior project to PHFA. A motion was made to advertise the Board's intention to appoint a CPA for the 2022 audit; Burd/Donahey. Motion carried.

Chairman Beaver spoke with the head teller at Pennian Bank about interest rates on CDs. A 24-month CD current interest rate is 2.3%. He inquired at Orrstown Bank and an 18-month CD current interest is 3.05% but there is a question if they issue CDs to municipalities because they had discontinued the practice several years ago. A motion was made to reinvest the 3 current CDs at Pennian Bank into 3 separate 24-month CDs at 2.3% provided they are Municipal Easy Access accounts; Burd/Donahey. Motion carried.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Draft minutes from October 17, 2022 have been submitted and were reviewed by Supervisor Burd. A motion was made to ratify the motion made on October 18, 2022 paying JSC \$6,600 for the remaining 44 connection inspections at \$150 each that are to be done. Beaver/Burd. Motion carried. They will issue a refund if one due to the township.

JUNIATA SEWAGE COMMITTEE

There was a meeting on October 26, 2022. Herbie Stoner is now a certified SEO. The membership fee for 2023 will remain at \$1,000. Rates for services were not increased for 2023.

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 a permit to H&H Precision Wire for roof mounted solar panels. Pivotal Development paid the fee for a Zoning Hearing. They are requesting a variance on building heights

and parking spaces for the Bretz Court Senior project. The hearing is tentatively scheduled for November 30, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. Chairman Beaver attended the annual membership meeting on October 13th. Their hourly rate for zoning services for 2023 is \$76 per hour.

PLANNING COMMISSION

There was no meeting in October.

ROAD MASTER

The Alpha Space Control invoice for \$869.82 was negotiated by Chairman Beaver to \$434.60.

Payment has been received from IRM insurance for \$1,792 for the damage done to the guide rail on Gypsy Hollow Rd by an unknown person. IRM will follow up with the State Police.

A winter maintenance meeting was held with the road crew on October 31st. They are preparing the equipment for the winter season.

Steve Campbell from Chemung Supply submitted a proposal to replace the remaining old wire cable rail with used guide rail on Acker Rd for \$9,979 and Gypsy Hollow Rd for \$14,361.30. The township would be responsible for removal of the old material and traffic control. A motion was made to accept Chemung's quote to replace the old wire cable on Acker Rd for \$9,979.75 with the road crew removing the old material and providing traffic control; Burd/Donahey. Motion carried.

A motion was made to transfer the ARPA CD for \$11,808.32 at Pennian Bank to the General Fund account; Burd/Donahey. Motion carried.

OPEN FORUM

Nothing

Chairman Beaver adjourned the meeting at 2:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Cangioli
Secretary