

Howe Township
March 7, 2024

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, March 7, 2024. Present: Chairman Dale Beaver, Vice Chairman Charles Burd, Supervisor Steve Smith, Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Cangioli, Luke Roman-Perry County Times and 3 residents.

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 of February 1, 2024 as presented; Smith/Burd. Motion carried.

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

A motion was made to authorize Chairman Beaver to renew the 2 CDs at Pennian Bank that are maturing, at the highest interest rate available after March 27, 2024; Beaver/Burd. Motion carried.

GENERAL GOOD AND WELFARE

Nothing was offered.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Zoning Hearing Board open vacancy that needs filled has been posted on the website.

Chairman Beaver reported the Buffalo Crossing RACP grant has been approved by the Office of the Budget for a 12-month extension, until February 25, 2025. A new buyer is proposing to purchase the property with closing on April 28, 2025 or July 28, 2025 and may utilize the RACP grant. The Board has not seen any plans as to what is being proposed for the property.

A road cut permit application and supporting information from Brightspeed Telecommunications for Cramer Court is pending.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made to set spring cleanup day for May 18, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to Noon or until the dumpsters are full; Smith/Burd. Motion carried.

PennDot District 8 will be conducting traffic counts on Gypsy Hollow Rd and Bretz Court as part of the PennDot Local Road Traffic Counting Program for 2024. The project will run from March 4th until November 21st.

A motion was made to purchase 1 copy of the Beyond the Code Guide for Township Official from PSATS for \$40; Beaver/Burd. Motion carried. Chairman Beaver will place the order.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Draft minutes of the February 19, 2024 meeting have been submitted. Supervisor Burd reviewed with the Board.

JUNIATA SEWAGE COMMITTEE

The next meeting is April 24, 2024 at Jackson Township.

SOLICITOR REPORT

EPREMA Update: Solicitor Jones attended their February 27, 2024 meeting and reviewed areas of the By-Law changes and Constitution. Both were finalized and adopted, there is not a bona fide budget for 2024 yet.

Solicitor Jones will be working with Kaye Goodman at HRG to execute the next steps as required by the Office of the Budget in connection with RACP grant for the presumptive new owners of the Buffalo Crossing development.

ZONING REPORT

The CK COG issued zoning permits in February to AutoZone for the building and signage; Melissa Zeiders for a pool deck.

PLANNING COMMISSION

There was no meeting in February. A meeting is set for March 25th to review the Enos and Sara Herr subdivision plan.

ROADMASTER

Road Master Beaver will attend a LTAP workshop on Traffic Calming on March 13, 2024. The survey regarding the LTAP review of the Church Road speed humps has been submitted to Radosna Vesnic at PSATS. The Liquid Fuels allocation and turnback funds were received March 1, 2024. Church Road's mileage was included. Two 15 mph signs will be purchased for Church Rd.

OPEN FORUM

Luke Roman inquired if there are plans for a warehouse. Chairman Beaver reiterate nothing has been submitted to the Township.

Chairman Beaver adjourned the meeting at 5:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Cangioli
Secretary