

Howe Township
April 4, 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, April 4, 2024. Present: Chairman Dale Beaver, Vice Chairman Charles Burd, Supervisor Steve Smith, Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Cangioli, Roger Watson-Navtech, Jim Hockenberry, Luke Roman-Perry County Times, Nancy Beaver, Steve Herr.

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 March 7, 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. Chairman Beaver and Treasurer Cangioli renewed the 2 CDs at Pennian Bank for 6 months terms at 4.75%.

GENERAL GOOD AND WELFARE

Nothing was offered.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

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

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Beaver reviewed some changes made to our insurance policy through PIRMA self-insurance. The SAM account with the Federal Government has been renewed (American Rescue Plan). Fortenbaugh Accounting has completed and filed the 2023 audit with DCED on March 26, 2024.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Draft minutes of the March 18, 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

Solicitor Jones will be tie-up any loose ends, if any, on the EPREMA documents.

EPREMA

There was a meeting on March 26th. Supervisor Burd reported a refund is being given to the municipalities involved due to the reconfiguration of the per capita to \$4.10. There is a credit of \$720.10 to be applied to the township's 2024 contribution. The budget for 2024 and 2025 will be worked on at their April 30th meeting at the Liverpool Township building.

ZONING REPORT

No permits were issued by CK COG for March.

PLANNING COMMISSION

A motion was made to accept Eric Horting's resignation effective March 25, 2024; Smith/Burd. Motion carried with thanks for his service.

Chairman Beaver read the Planning Commission minutes from March 25, 2024 for the Enos and Sara Herr subdivision plan. They recommended approval of the 3 waivers and conditional approval of the plan pending completion of updates/corrections to the final plan. A motion was made to approve the Herr subdivision plan and waivers as recommended by the Howe Township Planning Commission and as recommended in review letter #2 by Mike Hess of HRG; Beaver/Smith. Motion carried.

Roger Watson from Navtech presented the Charles W. Burd subdivision/lot addition plan to the Board. The Perry County review comments were received today April 4, 2024. Mr. Watson presented responses to the County comments and HRG comments in writing. Chairman Beaver read the Planning Commission minutes from March 25, 2024 for the Charles W. Burd plan. They recommended approval of the 3 waivers and conditional approval pending the Perry County review comments. A motion was made to approve the plan subject to the reviews by HRG, the Perry County Planning Commission, Howe Township Planning Commission, the Navtech responses to include 4 waivers; Smith/Beaver. Supervisor Burd abstained in writing from voting due to being the property owner. Motion carried.

ROADMASTER

The ad for tar and chip of Acker Loop, Bretz Court, Hummingbird Lane and ½ of Acker Rd will be placed for opening at the May meeting. 44 tons of salt has been ordered through Co-Stars for the 2024-2025 season.

OPEN FORUM

Luke Roman had questions regarding the Buffalo Crossing project.

Chairman Beaver adjourned the meeting at 6:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Cangioli
Secretary