

Howe Township
June 6, 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, June 6, 2024. Present: Chairman Dale Beaver, Vice Chairman Charles Burd, Supervisor Steve Smith, Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Cangioli, Engineer Mike Hess, Roger Watson-Navtech, Nancy Beaver, Theresa, and Larry Moyer, Newport Borough Mayor Stephen Tice, Joe Marley, Larry Viezro, Harrison Todd-National Land Developers, LLC

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 May 2, 2024 as presented; Burd/ Smith. Motion carried.

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

GENERAL GOOD AND WELFARE

Theresa Moyer, Secretary/Treasurer of the HTMA stated she sent out about 60 invoices with information about the vacancies that need filled on the township boards.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

Records retention activity needs to be started as soon as possible at the garage. Larry Moyer will locate some pallets and purchase plastic wrap to prepare for the documents to be shredded.

NEW BUSINESS

A 12-month CD at Pennian Bank is maturing on June 9, 2024 with a current balance of \$105,051.57. A motion was made authorizing Chairman Beaver and Secretary Cangioli to renew the CD at the highest interest rate for the longest term available; Beaver/Burd. Motion carried.

The July Board of Supervisors meeting will be Tuesday July 2, 2024 and was advertised as required.

The Perry County Association of Township Officials convention is being held September 14th at the Perry County Fairgrounds an RSVP is due by July 19th.

A motion was made to hold the August Board meeting on the advertised August 15th date due to Chairman Beaver's back surgery at the end of July; Smith/Burd. Chairman Beaver abstained. Motion carried.

A motion was made to increase the hourly pay rate for the roadcrew, Larry Moyer and Ron Crockett from \$21.00 to \$22.00 per hour effective July 1st and to increase Secretary/Treasurer Cangioli's from \$22.00 to \$23.00 effective September 1st; Beaver/Smith. Supervisor Burd commented he read the performance reviews, they were very good and people he has spoken to have good things to say and thanked the roadcrew and Nancy. Motion carried.

National Land Developers, LLC representative Joe Marley addressed the Board about a concept plan for a warehouse on Roger Watson's property at 42 W Shortcut Road. Their sketch plan was reviewed by Engineer Mike Hess and Zoning Officer Mackenzie Stover and written comments were received. Roger Watson explained the entrance would possibly be combined with PPL's on Red Hill Rd and are in talks with them. Mr. Marley explained they find companies that are interested in being in the area while they

are in the building phase. Engineer Larry Viezro reviewed the concept plan with the Board. Engineer Hess commented about the driveway entrance being combined with PPL's, a traffic light may come into play. The lot width would need to be addressed. They will need to work with PennDOT for an HOP. Chairman Beaver read the Zoning Officer's comments concerning variances, screening, design standards. Chairman Beaver commented on the need of fire hydrants, a sprinkler system, is a water tower required, the need to contact the NBWA, the Fire Company and the HTMA regarding sewage. Supervisor Smith questioned the stormwater management. These are all things that will need to be addressed when they submit a land development plan and Mr. Marley thanked the Board for their time.

Newport Borough Mayor Stephen Tice gave a brief update on the Borough's sewage facilitate and proposed new projects coming up in the town.

The solar farm project on W. Shortcut Road has been sold to HelioFidem. They are asking for an explanation on the decommissioning estimate provided by Engineer Hess. He will provide that to them and Chairman Beaver.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Draft Minutes of May 20, 2024 were submitted. Secretary Theresa Moyer reviewed them with the Board.

JUNIATA SEWAGE COMMITTEE

There is a meeting June 26, 2024 that Supervisor Burd will attend. Herbie Stoner is working on the Zone 2 pump outs and doing inspections.

SOLICITOR REPORT

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

EPREMA (Eastern Perry Regional Emergency Management Agency)

Supervisor Burd reported on the meeting held May 28, 2024. At the April meeting it was decided ERPEMA will be paying for their own expenses. They have adopted the 2024 budget, appointed Solicitor Dave Jones as legal counsel as needed, and Donna Wood got a Treasurer's bond of \$115 from Bratton Insurance.

ZONING REPORT

CK COG issued a permit for April to Larry & Theresa Moyer for a deck, a permit in May was issued to Brenda Mastracchio for roof mounted solar panels. CKCOG is involved and investigating possible Nuisance Ordinance violations on Acker Road and Acker Loop.

PLANNING COMMISSION

There was no meeting in May. The Burd Storage units land development plan will be reviewed at the June 24, 2024 meeting.

ROADMASTER

The "U" Company completed bank mowing on May 24, 2024. The annual Spring cleanup day was a success. Routine vehicle maintenance, weed trimming, mowing, cold patching, trash pickup, preparation for tar sealing continues for the roadcrew. Hunter Smith's employee pulling a disc harrow cut into a portion of Acker Rd from below the pig farm to Gordon Stephens house causing extensive damage. Dale contacted Mr. Smith to discuss the damage which was acknowledged. It was reported to our insurance company. An estimate to repair the damage is needed and Dale will contact Russell Standard and is waiting to hear from our insurance company

OPEN FORUM

Supervisor Burd recognized his grandfather for his contribution on the 80th anniversary of D-Day. He thanked all the veterans past and present for their contribution.

Chairman Beaver adjourned the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Cangioli
Secretary