

Howe Township
November 7, 2024

The Howe Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Hope Eternal UM Church at 2 Burd Rd, Newport at 5:15 p.m. on Thursday, November 7, 2024. Present: Chairman Dale Beaver, Vice Chairman Charles Burd, Supervisor Steve Smith, Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Cangioli, Nancy Beaver, Larry Moyer, Juanita Zeigler.

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 October 3rd, 10th, 24th, and 28th, 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

None was offered

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Zoning Hearing Board and Planning Commission open vacancy that needs filled has been posted on the website. National Flood Insurance Program-Chairman Beaver completed the Community Self-Assessment on behalf of the Floodplain Administrator CK COG and submitted to PEMA, there will be a 2-hour audit session to be held virtually with them on January 10, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. Chairman Beaver and the Secretary will be attending.

SALDO rewrite- proposals from Hailstone Economic and HRG, Inc. are due November 27, 2024. A separate Stormwater Management Ordinance will also be included in their proposals. The 2025 budget has been advertised for inspection.

NEW BUSINESS

The Perry County Tax Assessment is offering to attend a Supervisors meeting to provide an update on the county reassessment project. The Board agreed to have them come to the December 5, 2024 meeting.

Chairman Beaver will be meeting with Andrew DiProspero, H.A. Thomson on November 11, 2024 to review the PIRMA insurance renewal.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Supervisor Burd reviewed the October 21, 2024 minutes with the Board. They have reached out to Rabbitt Transport and the State Police to see if they have an interest in connecting to the public sewer at their expense. HRG will be contacting their property manager Groninger. There will be no meeting in December.

JUNIATA SEWAGE COMMITTEE

Supervisor Burd reported on their meeting October 23, 2024. 34 of the 36 pump outs have been completed in Zone 2. There will be a \$1,000 membership fee again for 2025. Chairman Beaver will post the 2025 fee schedule on the website, there are a few increases.

SOLICITOR

Solicitor Jones is preparing the new Supervisors Compensation Ordinance for the December 5, 2024 meeting. He advised the Organizational meeting can be held January 2, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. before the regular business meeting.

EPREMA (Eastern Perry Regional Emergency Management Agency)

Supervisor Burd reported on the October 22, 2024 meeting. The September approved minutes were presented. They are in the queue with Federal Surplus for (2) 20' containers. There are currently 3 containers at the township garage that has items that need to be disposed of due to water damage and mold. The township will pay for the garbage bags and the road crew's time to clean them out which is to be reimbursed by EPREMA. Supervisor Burd

will discuss this at their next meeting. Solicitor Jones will provide a template of what insurance is needed and amounts. There will be no meeting in December. They are looking at a CERTS program for volunteers to sign up to provide services to residents in the event of an emergency. More will be discussed at their November meeting.

ZONING REPORT

A Zoning Hearing was held November 7, 2024 for a variance requested by Pivotal Development for additional parking spaces per Section 1303 of the Zoning Ordinance for the Bretz Court Senior Housing project. The variance was approved.

CK COG issued a permit in October to Cary and Pat Cummings for accessory storage.

PLANNING COMMISSION

There was no meeting in October. Access Commercial Development Land Development plan resubmission is targeted for the December 23rd meeting. No extension of time for the Burd Road Storage plan has been submitted and the plan is dead.

ROAD MASTER

The line painting was completed by Alpha Space Control. Road Master Beaver attended the Penn Dot Winter Partnership meeting on October 24, 2024 at Little Buffalo State Park. Gill Construction completed the outdoor lighting upgrade project at the salt shed and truck garage today. The search for a replacement for the 2007 RAM Dump Truck is underway.

The HOP application for Dunkin Donuts for the sidewalk has been completed and submitted by Chairman Beaver. He has been in contact with Kaye Goodman at HRG regarding the RACP grant, she has reached out to the Office of The Budget because Access Commercial Development (Buffalo Crossing Commons) has changed the scope of work. She has not heard back from them yet.

OPEN FORUM

Nothing was offered.

Chairman Beaver adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Cangioli
Secretary