

Howe Township
September 5, 2024

The Howe Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Hope Eternal UM Church at 2 Burd Rd, Newport at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 5, 2024. Present: Chairman Dale Beaver, Vice Chairman Charles Burd, Supervisor Steve Smith, Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Cangioli, Nancy Beaver, Larry, and Theresa Moyer, Juanita Zeigler, Kim Grundon, Luke Roman-Perry County Times.

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 August 15, 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

Kim Grundon representing the Perry County Chapter of the Daughter's of the American Revolution requested a Proclamation declaring September 17-23 as Constitution Week be signed by the Board. A motion was made to sign the proclamation; Beaver/Smith. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Zoning Hearing Board and Planning Commission open vacancy that needs filled has been posted on the website. Code Enforcement Officer Jim Emery (CK COG) issued a non-traffic citation on August 13, 2024 for the Acker Rd vehicle situation due to the resident not responding by the end of July and is waiting to hear from the District Magistrate who is attempting to make contact with the defendant. The destruction of files was completed by August 31, 2024. Stericycle/Shred-It shredding contract was signed by Chairman Beaver at a cost of \$1,022 and to be done October 11, 2024. The AutoZone inspection was completed on August 16, 2024, Engineer Mike Hess recommended a reduction in the Financial Security from \$126,088 to \$2,200 by letter dated August 24, 2024. A motion was made to approve the reduction of AutoZone's Financial Security from \$126,088 to \$2,200; Burd/Smith. Motion carried.

There are 2 potential bidders, HRG and Hailstone Economic for the rewrite of the SALDO. The Bretz Court Senior Housing project is preparing for another submission for funding to PHFA. The project will now be 45 units, they will need an additional zoning variance again for parking. Trey Barbour was referred to Tom McDonald at CK COG for information on the process.

Chairman Beaver provided an update to the Hazard Mitigation plan, he included the proposed Gypsy Hollow Stormwater Run Off project.

NEW BUSINESS

Budget meetings will be held on October 10th, 24th, and 28th all to start at 3:00 p.m. at the Buffalo/Howe Township office. Nancy will advertise these dates.

The National Flood Insurance Compliance Audit program was referred to Ron Neitz at CK COG and waiting on his response. Chairman Beaver applied for the township a credit account with Newport AutoZone. Chairman Beaver will be attending the PSATS Regional Forum in Blair County on October 8, 2024 and asked the Board to approve paying for his hotel accommodation on October 7th. A motion was made to provide 1 night of accommodations for Dale Beaver at the Blair County Convention Center for the PSATS Regional Forum on October 7, 2024; Burd/Smith. Motion carried.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Draft minutes for August 19, 2024 were submitted. Secretary Theresa Moyer reported the new operator Steve Saur started August 1st. They voted to enter into an agreement with Howe Township's public works crew and will reimburse the township for the employee's time and training for pipe locating for the Authority. The effective date is September 17, 2024 to December 31, 2025. A motion was made to approve the Services Agreement with the Municipal Authority as per the contract drafted by the Solicitor and the initial pay rate would be \$24 per hour; Beaver/Burd. Motion carried.

UNIATA SEWAGE COMMITTEE

Supervisor Burd reported on the August 27, 2024 meeting. They voted to purchase a new vehicle due to a car accident Herbie had. 30 or 31 out of the 36 pump outs have been completed in Zone 2. The Buffalo Crossing horizontal boring began August 25.

EPREMA

Supervisor Burd reported on the August 27, 2024 meeting. They completed the 2025 budget at the same rate of \$4.10 per capita.

ZONING REPORT

CK COG reported there were no permits issued for August.

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission met on August 26, 2024 to review the Buffalo Crossing Land Development plan. They approved 2 waivers and the plan was tabled pending additional information from the developer Access Commercial Development.

ROADMASTER

Russell Standard completed the tar and chipping. Nancy contacted Alpha Space Control to get on their list for line painting. The cattle crossing signs and posts were received, details on the placement of them need to be gotten from Penn Dot. A price list was sent from Daniel B. Kreig regarding signs and posts.

OPEN FORUM

Luke Roman asked if Bretz Court Senior Housing project is being funded solely by PFHA, what roads were tar and chipped.

Chairman Beaver adjourned the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Cangioli
Secretary