

MINUTES
BETHEL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OCTOBER 10, 2024

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Bethel Township Board of Supervisors was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Bethel Township Building, 3015 S. Pine Grove Street, Fredericksburg, Pa with the following people present;

Bruce Light	Supervisor
Richard Rudy	Supervisor
Michael Saphore	Supervisor
Melissa Johnson	Township Manager
Andrew Morrow	Township Solicitor
Matthew Mack	Township Engineer

Nine (9) audience members were in attendance.

COMMENTS – Clint Leroy, Main Street commented on vehicles taking out the grass along Main Street at the traffic light. Main Street is a state roadway, Supervisor Saphore will pass this comment onto PennDOT.

And Lisa Rudy, S. Center Street reminded everyone that it is Fire Prevention Week and that the Fredericksburg Fire Company had the privilege of spending the day with the children at the Northern Lebanon Elementary School teaching them about fire prevention.

MINUTES - Bruce Light made a motion to approve the September 12, 2024 meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

ROADMASTER REPORT - Roadmaster Saphore read the report as presented.

Asphalt Zipper 420X – 42” Cutting Width Reclaimer/Stabilizer and Utility Trencher – Michael Saphore made a motion to purchase the Asphalt Zipper 420X – 42” Cutting Width Reclaimer/Stabilizer and Utility Trencher through the CoStars agreement for \$216,770.00. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

ENGINEERS BUSINESS - Engineer Mack reported on the following:

Treeline Ave Pipe Replacement - Pending.

Randy Martin Implement Shed Stormwater Management Plan Approval - Pending.

Chestnut Hill and Blue Mtn Road, NPDES Signature Request and DEP - Municipal Notification of Planned Land Development for Chapter 102 Permits – Will be discussed at the Planning Commission meeting next Tuesday.

Matthew Balmer Ag Operation Plan Approval – Bruce Light made a motion to accept the time extension of January 9, 2025. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Weaver Distribution Release of Escrow – Michael Saphore made a motion to approve the plan as presented. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

SOLICITOR BUSINESS - Solicitor Morrow reported on the following:

Zoning Ordinance Review Update – Pending.

CPA Firm – 2024 Audit – Authorization to prepare Advertisement and Resolution – Richard Rudy made a motion to authorize Attorney Morrow to prepare the advertisement and resolution for the 2024 Audit. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

No Parking Signage for Snow Removal Ordinance – Pending, the Supervisors reviewing the draft ordinance.

RECREATION REPORT – Samantha Acri gave the report.

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Northern Lebanon Little League Shed Donation of \$1,500.00 - After some discussion, Michael Saphore made a motion to approve the donation of \$1,500.00, only to be issued after the old shed is removed. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Discussion was held on the league using the lights for practice, which are only to be used for games. The league will be notified again.

Trunk or Treat is October 17, 2024 from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at the park. There are still spots available if anyone wants to participate.

FSWA REPORT – Supervisor Rudy gave the report.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Michael Saphore made a motion to approve the Financial Report as presented in the meeting packet, subject to audit. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

BILLS PAYABLE – Bruce Light made a motion to approve the Bills Payable as presented in the meeting packet. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Camp Strause Road Bridge – Temporary Construction Easement – Attorney Morrow will contact the land owners to discuss the temporary construction easement.

Fire Company and Fire Police Special Duty Request/Authorization Form – Pending, still working on.

Act 172 - Volunteer Fire Tax Credit – Pending.

NEW BUSINESS

Resignation EMA Coordinator Kenneth Jay Rhoads, Jr. – Michael Saphore made a motion to accept the resignation of Kenneth Jay Rhoads, Jr. as the EMA Coordinator. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Outstanding Invoice for Professional Fees – Bruce Light made a motion to approve Attorney Morrow sending a letter to Sherwin Williams for their overdue balance for professional fees regarding their Land Development Plan. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Camp Strause Road Bridge Bid Documents – Attorney Morrow will review the advertisement and he will communicate with Wilson Consulting that because we only received the bid documents, the Board is not ready to act and that it will be discussed at our next meeting.

Bell & Evans Agenda Request – Present and Discuss Upcoming Projects – Alex Kinzey from Steckbeck Engineering, Mike Bracrella, Scott Sechler and Beth Kohl were present to discuss the upcoming projects.

Discussion was held on improvements to Fireman’s Park, Plant 2 northside addition and their pipeline project.

Michael Saphore made a motion to authorize the preliminary agreement being prepared with posting of a \$5,000.00 escrow. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Fredericksburg Fire Police Special Duty Request – Veteran’s Pet Festival – Michael Saphore made a motion to approve the Fredericksburg Fire Police Special Duty Request for October 12, 2024 from 10 am – 5 pm for Veteran’s Pet Festival. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

C.M. High Preventative Maintenance Repair Estimate – Rte 22 & Fredericksburg Road \$1,000.00 – Bruce Light made a motion to approve the C.M. High Preventative Maintenance Repair Estimate for \$1,000.00 for Rte 22 and Fredericksburg Road. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

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Right to Know Resolution Review – A copy of the current resolution and PSATS paperwork will be sent to Attorney Morrow for review.

Resolution 101024 – Appointing an Ordinance Enforcement Officer – Bruce Light made a motion to adopt Resolution 101024 – Appointing Mack Engineering as the Ordinance Enforcement Officer. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

ADJOURNMENT – With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Melissa Johnson
Secretary**