

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING-September 21, 2022

Minutes of the Pequea Township Board of Supervisors meeting held at 7:00 on September 21, 2022 at the Pequea Township Municipal Building.

Present at the meeting were:

Harry Lehman, Chairman
Tom Haas, Vice-Chairman
E. John Hlavacek, Supervisor
Eric Lucas, Supervisor

Others Present:

Evie Birkenbine John Waid
Anthony Clare Joshua Schwartz
John Birkenbine Brad Shenk
Steve Yinger Robert May
Jackie Johns Ken Stauffer
Mike Thomas Virginia Chisholm
John Michener Scott Edwards
J. Kreider Jason Topper
Della Kreider
Rob Reidenbach-Twp, Asst./Rec. Sec.

CALL TO ORDER: Chmn. Lehman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Public meetings may be both audio and video recorded.
- A position is open and available for the Pequea Township Board of Auditors.
- Chairman Lehman announced that PA DEP and the PA Fish and Boat Commission have given Pequea and Providence Township permission to tear down the Radcliffe Road bridge.
- Chairman Lehman thanked an anonymous donor who donated 1000 rounds of ammunition to our police department.

MINUTES of PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

1. Consider approving the minutes of the August 17, 2022 Board of Supervisors Meeting.

Supervisor Lucas moved to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2022 Board of Supervisors meeting. Vice-Chairman Haas seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: A copy of the bill list is on the table

Supervisor Lucas moved to approve checks #14118-14176 from the General Fund (void #14139), checks #1958-1964 from the Recreation Fund, checks #1192 from the Donation Fund (void checks # 1189 & 1191 from August BOS), and check #0069 from the Escrow Fund. Chairman Lehman seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

PRESENTATIONS:

Jamie Hall from the Lancaster County Library gave an update on how Lancaster County Library services serves voting constituents and Pequea Township residents. She told of the new library's opening soon on N. Queen Street and asked the Pequea Township BOS for a donation of \$1 per resident for 2023.

Robert May, Paramedic MBA and Executive Director of Lancaster EMS, provided an update and discussed the 2022 financial report schedule by municipalities. Pequea Township residents are 2% of the calls for service received by Lancaster EMS. May requested 2023 funding support to be \$14,235 from Pequea Township.

*** Chairman Lehman moved to add an agenda item requested by West Willow Fire Co.** The move was seconded by Vice-Chairman Haas and Supervisor Hlavacek. All voted in favor; none opposed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chairman Lehman gave a synopsis of the 11 items on the agenda prior to public comments.

ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:

- Scott Edwards asked if West Willow Fire Co. would receive any funds for their help at the Conestoga Car Show.

ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

- Jackie Johns asked for any update on the Chief Fiorill and Southern Regional Police Commission lawsuits. Chairman Lehman cautiously answered that both are in the hands of the attorneys and he could not responsibly comment on the status of the two ongoing lawsuits.
- Steve Yinger requested the Township's help in settling a problem with a neighbor parking his truck and camper on the street. He suggested an ordinance be created to ban parking vehicles on public roads for more than 48 hours.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Consider advertising and scheduling a hearing for the Small Wireless Facilities in Public Streets/Right of Ways Ordinance

item tabled

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Set Budget Workshop Meeting dates and times

Chairman Lehman moved to set the Budget Workshop dates as Saturday, October 29, 2022 at 9 am-12 noon and Wednesday, November 2, 2022 from 6-9:00 pm. Supervisor Hlavacek seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

2. Swear in two Fire Policemen for the New Danville Fire Co.-Joe Waid and Anthony Clare

Vice-Chairman Haas swore in Joe Waid and Anthony Clare as fire policemen for New Danville Fire Co.

3. Consider a second driveway request for 109 N. Mt. Hope School Road (Richard & Sandy Sweger)

Supervisor Lucas moved that we conditionally approve Richard and Sandy Sweger's request for a second driveway at 109 N. Mount Hope School Road, pending fulfillment of the requirements (i.e., safe stopping distance by removing necessary vegetation, driveway permit & driveway ordinance requirements, reimbursing the township for engineering costs) as detailed in Mark Deimler's email dated 8/19/22. Chairman Lehman seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

4. Consider reduction request for Herrville LLC (3400 Willow Street Pike) of Site Improvement Bond

Supervisor Lucas moved that we approve the Reduction of Bond request for Herrville LLC, 3400 Willow Pike South, Bond Reduction-Request #2, reducing the current bond of \$14,611.74 to a new total of \$0 (zero) dollars as recommended by Solanco Engineering Associates' letter dated 8/23/22. Vice-Chairman Haas seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

5. Consider Sewer Planning Module, via Resolution, for 647 Millwood Rd. (Dennis Mylin)

Vice-Chairman Haas moved to pass DEP **Resolution #613-2022** in regards to Dennis R. Mylin's sewer module. Chairman Lehman seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

6. Consider Approval of 2023 Non-Uniformed Employees Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Employee Pension Plan via Resolution

Chairman Lehman moved to approve the MMO for the Non-Uniformed Employees' Pension Plan via **Resolution # 614-2022**. Supervisor Lucas seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

8. Consider approval of 2023 for the Uniformed Employee Pension Plan Required Member Contribution Rate via Resolution

Chairman Lehman moved that we pass **Resolution #615-2022** setting the rate at 1.5% for calendar year 2023 for the police contribution to the uniform pension plan. Vice-Chairman Haas seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

7. Consider Approval of 2023 Uniformed Employees Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Employee Pension Plan via Resolution

Chairman Lehman moved that we pass **Resolution #616-2022**, a resolution to approve the (MMO) Minimum Municipal Obligation for the Uniformed Employee Pension Plan. Supervisor Lucas seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

9. Discuss Union (AFSCME) Negotiation Contract for 2023-2025

item tabled

10. Consider/Authorize purchase of new Caterpillar Backhoe Loader via Resolution

Vice-Chairman Haas updated all on the current price paid for the new backhoe, the need for replacing our old backhoe, our efforts to sell or trade-in the old backhoe, and the delivery date in 2022. He said Chairman Lehman saved the Township \$8,000 in negotiating the purchase.

Vice-Chairman Haas moved to pass **Resolution #617-2022**, whereas the BOS wishes to purchase a Caterpillar backhoe with attachments from Cleveland Bros. with an approximate purchase price of \$150,000 from the American Rescue Plan funds. Supervisor Hlavacek seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

11. Consider West Willow Fire Police aiding the Conestoga Car Show on 9/24/22

Supervisor Lucas moved that the Bos approve the West Willow Fire Police helping at the Conestoga Car Show on 9/24/22. Chairman Lehman seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

ADDITIONAL REPORTS: none

REPORTS/UPDATES:

Pequea Township Police Report- Chief's August report on table

Pequea Township Road Department- Road Department August Update

Lancaster Inter-Municipal Committee- Representative's Update

Suburban Lancaster Sewer Authority- Representative's Update

Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer-Reports on file

Pequea Township Zoning Hearing Board-Meeting(s) to be held 10/4/22- **1.** A request by Pequea Township Municipal Office for a property located at 1028 Millwood Rd. for a Variance of Section 604.2.C c.to allow a 30 ft. rear yard setback for a proposed salt shed. The property is zoned R-1 Residential. **2.** A request by Abner Stoltzfus for a property located at 467 Marticville Rd. for a Variance of Section 1502.2.F to place an Echo housing unit in a front yard. The property is zoned Agricultural.

Pequea Township Planning Commission- No meeting in August

Pequea Township Safety Committee- Representative's Update from August Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert Reidenbach, Township assistant/recording secretary

Pequea Township Board of Supervisors
September 21, 2022
monthly meeting - Pequea Twp Bldg.

Sign-in sheet

	<u>Name</u>	Residents - your address	guests - company
1.	Jackie Johns	Millwood Village	
2.	John Eve Birkenbine	Summerfield	
3.	Bob May	LANCASTER EMS	
4.	Scott Edwards	Bamington Rd	
5.	Jeff Kreider	New Danville	
6.	Della Kreider	New Danville	
7.	Joshua Schwartz	Library	
8.	Jamie Hall	Library	
9.	Steve Yinger	Willow Street	
10.	B. Shank		
	A. Clare	NDFC	
	J Wais	NDFC	
	Virginia Chisholm		
11.	Ken Struff		
12.	Mike Thomas	UBFC	