

Minutes of the February 15, 2023 Board of Supervisors Meeting

Present:

Chairman Harry Lehman
Vice-Chairman Tom Haas
Supervisor E.J. Hlavacek
Supervisor Eric Lucas
Supervisor Mike Novak

Others Present:

Scott Edwards	Brian Herr
Gwen Newell	Evie Birkenbine
John Birkenbine	Jackie Johns
Dave Espenshade	Laura Shenk
Paul Lanicka	Mike Thomas
Rob Reidenbach-Asst. Rec. Sec.	

CALL TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Public Meetings may be both audio and video recorded
- Pequea Township received a grant from Lancaster County ARPA funds-\$43,000 to install a new storm sewer system for Linestown Road and \$4,500 to upgrade the storm sewer system for Clearview Road- both to meet MS4 requirements.
- Chairman Lehman introduced Gwen Newell from the Lancaster County Planning Commission. She informed that the County is working on a Places 2040 Comprehensive Plan, looking at the urban growth boundaries via meetings by regions. Pequea Township's region is meeting March 15, 2023 at lunchtime. Gwen said we can send as many as five representatives to that meeting.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S):

Consider approving the minutes of the January 18, 2023 Board of Supervisors Meeting - Vice-Chairman Haas moved to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2023 BOS Meeting. Supervisor Lucas seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

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

Check 4416 from the Payroll Acct. /Checks 14361-14411 from the General Fund -VOID #14387/ Checks 1989-1997 from the Recreation Fund / Check 1195 from the Donation Fund

Vice-Chairman Haas moved to approve check #4416 from the Payroll Account, checks #14361-14411 from the General Fund-void #14387, checks #1989-1997 from the Recreation Fund, and check# 1195 from the Donation Fund. Supervisor Lucas seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (Chairman Lehman first gave a synopsis of the 7 agenda items)

Items on the agenda:

- Jackie Johns urged the Board to maintain the limit on the number of dogs per household and the current leash ordinance when any new ordinance is considered. Chairman Lehman said any revision would include fines to cover the cost incurred by the Township when dog calls are acted upon.

- Scott Edwards congratulated the Board, the Roadmaster and our office personnel for securing the Lancaster County ARPA grant for the storm systems.

Items not on the agenda:

- Jackie Johns asked if the International Property Code could be updated.

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Update Fee Schedule by Resolution #639-2023

Supervisor Lucas moved that we accept **Resolution #639-2023** updating the fee schedule for the Township. Supervisor Novak seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

2. Discuss Dog Ordinance

Chairman Lehman moved that we continue working on the dog ordinance with Chief Michener and himself reporting back to the Board. Vice-Chairman Haas seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

3. Discuss Short Term Rentals Ordinance

Chairman Lehman announced that Vice-Chairman Haas has recused himself from this agenda item as he owns rental property in the Township (see attachment). Lehman then moved that we proceed with the research on short-term rentals (i.e., Bed and Breakfasts) and Air B&B's and give the supervisors time to discuss the matter with Township Engineer, Mark Deimler. Supervisor Hlavacek seconded the motion. Supervisors Lehman, Hlavacek, Lucas and Novak voted in favor; none opposed (with Vice-Chairman Haas abstaining).

4. Authorize written quotes for demolition of old Salt Shed

Roadmaster Brian Herr gave an explanation on the process of demolishing the old shed. He then gave an explanation of the timetable, specs, and advantages afforded the Township with the construction of the new salt shed and pole barn storage facility. Vice-Chairman Haas moved that we obtain written quotes for the removal of the old salt shed and storage shed. Chairman Lehman seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

5. Authorize the Secretary to advertise bid packets for Pole Barn construction @ 1028 Millwood Rd.

Vice-Chairman Haas moved to authorize the Secretary to advertise bid packets for the Pole Barn construction at 1028 Millwood Road. Supervisor Hlavacek seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

6. Consider Vanguard request for extension of paving streets in Willow Acres

Supervisor Lucas moved that we give the extension requested by Vanguard. Supervisor Novak seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

7. Authorize Document Destruction by Resolution #640-2023

Supervisor Lucas moved that we pass **Resolution #640-2023**, authorizing the destruction of documents per the list provided. Vice-Chairman Haas seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

REPORTS/UPDATES:

Pequea Township Police Department – Chief's January Report on table
Pequea Township Road Department – Road Department January Update
Lancaster Inter-Municipal Committee – Representative's Update-Meeting held 2/8/23-Supervisor Hlavacek reported that the Land Use Advisory Board often meets with township advisory boards. He recommended that Pequea Township avoid joining this venture.
Suburban Lancaster Sewer Authority – Representative's Update-Meeting held 1/26/23
Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer – Reports on File
Pequea Township Zoning Hearing Board – No meeting in January/February
Pequea Township Planning Commission - Meeting held 1/25/23-Penn Grant Commons West Land Development Plan-Phase 2
Pequea Township Safety Committee - Meeting held 2/8/23

Post-agenda Report:

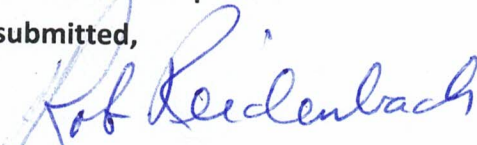
Supervisor Novak reported receiving a letter from Patrick Egan, Lancaster City Fire Foundation, recognizing they erred in soliciting fire company support donations from Pequea Township residents and the mailing list will be rectified.

He then announced that Willow Valley Communities has invited us to use their washing facilities to wash our police cars and township equipment at no expense.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Rob Reidenbach- Asst. Rec./Sec.

Pequea Township Board of Supervisors Meeting
February 15, 2023 7:00pm

Pequea Township Municipal Building

Sign In Sheet

1. Jackie Johns
2. Eve Birkenbine
3. John Birkenbine
4. Scott Edwards
5. Gwen Newell
6. David Espershaide
7. Laura Sherk
8. Paul Laricka
9. Mike Thomas
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