

# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING-May 17, 2023

Minutes of the Pequea Township Board of Supervisors meeting held at 7:00 on May 17, 2023 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  
Mike Novak-Supervisor

## **Others Present:**

John Waid          Greg Demascola  
Brad Shenk        David Arters  
Jackie Johns       Ken Stauffer  
Scott Edwards     Jason Kreider  
Helen Dagenhardt Brubaker  
Rob Reidenbach-Twp, Asst./Rec. Sec.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Public meetings may be both audio and video recorded.
- An Executive Session was held April 19, 2023 at 6:30 pm at the Township Building to discuss legal matters.
- The Pequea Township Safety Committee is hosting a PP&L Live Line Electrical Safety Exhibit on Wednesday, August 8, 2023 with two demo times: 1:00 pm and 6:30 pm. This event will be held at the New Danville Fire Company and will be open to the public. If you would like to attend, please notify Dawn Rineer at [treasurer@pequeatwp.org](mailto:treasurer@pequeatwp.org).
- Supervisors Lehman and Haas met with State Representative Steve Mentzer on May 8, 2023 to discuss Township issues with the state. It was a productive meeting with Mentzer sponsoring two bills within days after the meeting.
- Supervisors Lehman and Haas hosted the Lancaster Clean Waters meeting at the Silver Mine Park. The water between the ponds was tested during this meeting.

## **MINUTES of PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**

1. Consider approving the minutes of the April 19, 2023 Board of Supervisors Meeting.

Supervisor Lucas moved to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2023 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 #14530-14572 from the General Fund (void #14546 from April), checks #2921-2029 from the Recreation Fund, checks #418-419 from the Highway Fund, check #1016 from the American Rescue Fund, and EFT from the Escrow Fund. Vice-Chairman Haas seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Chairman Lehman gave a synopsis of the 9 items on the agenda prior to public comments.

**ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:**

none

**ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:**

- Jackie Johns reported that most of the trees planted at Silver Mine Park in 2018 have survived. She asked for the amounts that Conestoga and Pequea Townships have placed into the Police Sick Leave Fund from the recent settlement with Conestoga Township. Johns asked if the recent removal of trees at former Fisher Steel and the Herr Industrial Park were in violation of the original permit agreement.
- Greg Demascola asked if the township could act on behalf of first responders to spur the County to update addresses and road names for our new developments.
- David Arters complained about speeding on his road and asked what could be done to curb speeding on West Penn Grant Road.
- Scott Edwards read a prepared statement commending the Board for the restorative work done in and for the Township in recent years to reverse and amend for the destructive spending/actions of previous Township Supervisor Cynthia Evans-Herr. He noted that all comments were backed by documentation.
- Helen Dagenhardt Brubaker returned to again ask the Township to act on her stormwater runoff problem coming from a neighboring property.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Discuss Dog Ordinance**

This item was tabled.

**2. Discuss Short Term Rental Ordinance**

Chairman Lehman moved to forward the Short-Term Rental Ordinance to the Lancaster County Planning Commission and the Pequea Township Planning Commission for review by each. Supervisor Lucas seconded the motion. Supervisors Lehman, Novak, Hlavacek and Lucas voted in favor; Supervisor Haas recused himself from the vote.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Consider Establishing a PLGIT Capital Reserve Fund for monies to accommodate Police Accumulated**

Chairman Lehman moved to pass **Resolution #645-2023, a resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Pequea, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania to establish a PLGIT Capital Reserve Fund for monies set aside for Police Accumulated Sick Pay.** Supervisor Hlavacek seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

**2. Consider approving procedure for disposition of personal property less than \$2000.00 via resolution**

Supervisor Novak moved to pass **Resolution #646-2023, a resolution to allow the Township to sell personal items of \$2,000.00 or less without having to advertise and receive bids.** Vice-Chairman Haas seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

**3. Park Employee Wages**

Vice-Chairman Haas moved to set park employee Robert Brubaker's wages at \$18.00 per hour effective 5/22/2023. Supervisor Hlavacek seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

**4. Authorize Sale of 2006 Peterbilt truck on Municibids**

Vice-Chairman Haas moved to authorize the sale of the 2006 Peterbilt truck on Municibid. Supervisor Hlavacek seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

**5. Consider Memorandum of Understanding-Radcliff Road Bridge**

Supervisor Novak moved to approve this memorandum of understanding between American Rivers, Inc. and Providence Township and Pequea Township for the Radcliff Road bridge. Supervisor Lucas seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

**6. Discuss New Gas Tank**

Vice-Chairman Haas reported that the Township's gasoline tank had failed a recent inspection. Chairman Lehman then moved to authorize Supervisor Haas to proceed with the gathering of necessary information and quotes to determine what to do with the gas tank. Supervisor Novak seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.

**7. Consider Line of Credit Reduction Request #2/final release for AsBuilt Plan for Circle M Campground**

Supervisor Lucas moved that we approve Circle M Campground's request for reduction of Financial Security Reduction, Request #2, As-Built Plan Review #2, and that we release the remaining \$3,000.00 financial security as recommended by Solanco Engineering Assoc. letter dated 5/9/23. Supervisor Hlavacek seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed.



Lequea Township Board of Supervisors

May 17, 2023, Monthly Meeting

Lequea Township Municipal Building Sign On

1. Jackie Johns
2. Scott Edwards
3. Greg DeMascio
4. Joe Waid
5. Ken Straffer - Breaneman Road
6. David Arters
7. Helen Rogenhardt Buntakur
8. Jason Kreider
- 9.
- 10.