# Madison Township MINUTES

Date: December 12, 2023

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Community Center

The stated meeting of the Madison Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Rhonda Stitz at 7:00 p.m. Also attending the meeting were Supervisors Larry Hartzell and Claire Swartz

Guests in Attendance: Chuck Stitz, Betsy Riera-Gomez, Nancy Welliver, Crystal Slater, Dean Seidel, Heather Mausteller, Butch Mausteller, Wanda & Ron Sheatler, Mark Shellenberger.

Ron Sheatler presented a petition from Camp Road residents seeking completion of Rishel Road for Tar & Chip. Discussion followed, in 2023 the supervisors had dust oil applied to this section of road at township expense, Rishel Road is not on the 2024 road plan and not in the 2024 budget.

The minutes of the regular meeting held November 14, 2023 were accepted and approved. The Treasurer's Report that includes the check register and the Profit and Loss Reports were accepted and approved.

Motion by Claire Swartz 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry Hartzell. Motion Carried

**Motion:** To accept minutes and financial reports

Motion by Larry Hartzell 2<sup>nd</sup> by Claire Swartz. Motion Carried

**Motion:** To authorize payment of bills as presented

#### **Reports:**

Police – Report submitted, no officer present.

Municipal Authority – no meeting, did not have quorum.

Planning Commission – no meeting

Road Master – Grading, ditching, trees down, cut trees, mowed, cindered some roads. Prepared Peterbilt for sale. Two trucks ready to plow, McCormack went to Welliver's for repairs.

## **Old Business:**

Tax Resolution – Resolution for 2024 tax increase

Motion by Rhonda Stitz 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry Hartzell. Motion carried.

**Motion:** Approve Resolution # 2023-12001 increasing property taxes to 3.9 mils.

2024 budget -

Motion by Rhonda Stitz 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry Hartzell. Motion carried.

**Motion:** Pass the 2024 budget as presented.

#### **New Business:**

Annual donations - \$6000 for the 3 Fire Companies. \$1000 for the Community Center. Pool Donation.

Motion by Claire Swartz 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rhonda Stitz. Motion carried.

**Motion:** Approve the \$6000 donation for 3 fire companies with the split to be same as previous years.

Motion by Claire Swartz 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rhonda Stitz. Motion carried.

**Motion:** Approve the \$1000 donation for Community Center.

Motion by Rhonda Stitz 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry Hartzell. Motion carried.

**Motion:** No donation to be given to the pool.

Resignation – Bob Hock, Auditor

Motion by Rhonda Stitz 2<sup>nd</sup> by Claire Swartz. Motion carried.

**Motion:** Accept Bob Hock resignation as Township Auditor.

Pool Commission – No representative in attendance.

# **Correspondence:**

## For the Good of the Community:

Rhonda – Tonight is Red's last meeting as Supervisor. On behalf of Madison Township, Thank you for your service. Your guidance and efforts have been truly appreciated.

Heather Mausteller – Kudo's to the officer and efforts of the entire police force for going above and beyond to locate the missing dog.

Red – Received request from Dan Horst repair shop to place commercial sign in triangle by 154 & Creek Road. Red referred him to PennDOT.

Dean Seidel – What is the status of the generator for the shed? Larry to get prices.

Nancy Welliver – Municipal Authority received resignation from Bev. Nancy doesn't feel the municipal authority can do the work themselves as they have no access to records. Nancy asked Supervisors to make that a responsibility of the new secretary. Rhonda stated we have current secretary spread very very thin. Several township projects have consumed a large amount of her time. Municipal Authority is it's own entity. Rhonda feels municipal authority needs to contribute for the hours they need to utilize the new township secretary. Nancy sees no reason why the municipal authority couldn't do that, because of past good financial decisions municipal authority is currently in a good position. Nancy and Crystal Slater will send out the bills.

Time of Adjournment: at 8:02p.m. a motion was made to adjourn by Larry Hartzell 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rhonda Stitz. - Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Lutcavage Secretary-Treasurer