

**SUMMIT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 17, 2024**

The Summit Township Board of Supervisors public meeting was held on Tuesday, January 17, 2024, at the Summit Township Municipal Building, 502 Bonniebrook Road, Butler, PA.

CALL TO ORDER

Willie Adams called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All persons present stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

All Supervisors were present Willie Adams, Rick Green, and Larry Osche. Also, present was Township Solicitor, Michael Gallagher, Township Secretary, Roxann Stickney, Regis E. Karch, Rep. Marci Mustello, Dave Barry, Rob Shuler, and Rob McLafferty.

OPEN TO THE FLOOR – QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON THE AGENDA

There were no questions or comments from the floor.

JANUARY 2, 2024 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES & REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL

Rick Green motioned to approve the January 2, 2024 organizational minutes as presented. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Rick Green motioned to approve the January 2, 2024 regular public meeting minutes as presented. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER’S REPORT

FUND BALANCE		ACTIVITY	
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN	0.00	BALANCE AS OF 01/02/2024	700,945.55
CAPITAL FUND	186,858.63	CDs	515,173.55
FIRE HYDRANT FUND	1,525.37	SAVINGS ACCOUNTS	637,656.56
GENERAL FUND	362,127.84	DEPOSITS/DEBITS	7,997.24
SEWAGE ESCROW FUND	28,614.77	DISBURSEMENTS	32,516.47
SEWAGE PERMIT FUND	11,078.98	AVAILABLE FUNDS 01/17/2024	1,829,256.43
STATE FUND	86,220.73		
AVAILABLE FUNDS	676,426.32		
CAPITAL FUND - SAVINGS	155,955.07		
GENERAL FUND SAVINGS	481,701.49		
GENERAL FUND CD #6157	154,552.07		
GENERAL FUND CD #6158	360,621.48		
TOTAL FUND	1,829,256.43		

The treasurer presented the following report.

Deposits included earned income taxes, local services taxes the annual permit fees for mobile home parks, and junk yards.

Disbursements included police services and general operating expenses.

Rick Green motioned to approve the Treasurer Report as presented. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL FUND INVOICES APPROVAL

Larry Osche motioned to approve payment for Butler Petroleum Corp. invoice 585750 for on-road fuel for \$2,366.88. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Rick Green motioned to approve payment for Fire Fighter Sales & Service Co. for invoice FP0041406 for the fire extinguishers inspection for \$282.55. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Rick Green motioned to approve payment for Jerich Insurance Agency invoice 3685 for the Township's worker's compensation insurance for \$2,623.00. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Larry Osche motioned to approve payment for PPC Lubricants, LLC invoice 2210283 for 15W 40 oil for \$844.75. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Rick Green motioned to approve payment for Saxonburg Polic Services from November 17, 2023 through January 6, 2024 for \$2,773.73. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Rick Green motioned to approve payment for State Worker's Insurance fund for Herman VFC worker's compensation insurance for \$1,014.00. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Larry Osche motioned to approve payment for Stephenson Equipment, Inc. invoice 18073529 for 2009 Peterbilt hoses for \$408.97. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Larry Osche motioned to approve payment for Stephenson Equipment, Inc. invoice 18073533 for 2009 Peterbilt couplers for \$308.36. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Larry Osche motioned to approve payment for Traffic Systems and Services. invoice SR-31390 for traffic light bulbs for \$725.00. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR REPORT

The Solicitor presented the following report.

The Shuler Hardship Agreement case is scheduled to appear before the District Magistrate on February 12, 2024.

The Sportsman's Supply temporary storage crates case is scheduled for June 3, 2024 for a Status Conference.

The Gagliardi stormwater trial is scheduled for July 3, 2024 and July 5, 2024.

A follow-up for the Geibel property clean-up hearing is scheduled for April 5, 2024.

Answers to Objections were filed on behalf of Summit Township and Center Township regarding the Pennsylvania Water Company/Butler Area Sewer Authority sale.

HERMAN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT

The Secretary confirmed that Leroy Shuler was on the Herman Volunteer Fire Company's eligibility list for the Earned Income Tax Credit.

Willie Adams motioned to approve the Herman Volunteer Fire Company Earned Income Tax Credit for Leroy Shuler. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

LOCAL SERVICES TAX DISTRIBUTION

Larry Osche motioned to approve 25% of the 4th Quarter 2023 Local Services Taxes Distribution to Herman Volunteer Fire Company in the amount of \$4,009.81. Willie Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

FREERPORT ROAD PROPERTY

Larry Osche will contact PennDOT to inform them that dumping is occurring on their property at the intersection of Freeport Road and Hinchberger Road.

COMMERCIAL BURNING

The Township's Burning Ordinance pertains to commercial burning as well as residential.

ASPHALT-PAVING EQUIPMENT RENTAL QUOTE

Larry Osche motioned to authorize the Township's secretary/treasurer to obtain asphalt-paving equipment rental quotes. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

FUEL QUOTES

Larry Osche motioned to authorize the Township's secretary/treasurer to obtain fuel quotes. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

The Yost and Hortert property subdivisions were reviewed.

ROADMASTER REPORT

Roadmaster, Larry Osche, presented the following report:

1. Tree removal performed.
2. Snow plowing and salting of roads.
3. Cleaning of catch basins was performed.
4. Equipment maintenance performed.
5. New employee training performed.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

The police will be issuing citations to cars that are parked along the road during snow events.

Willie Adams announced the following meetings were held and no decisions were made.

January 4, 2024 pending litigation was discussed at the Township's Solicitor office.

January 12, 2024 Willie Adams, Larry Osche and PennDOT representative, Cory Shaffer, discussed Bonniebrook Road.

January 17, 2024 public meeting was convened into executive session to discuss pending litigation.

OPEN TO THE FLOOR – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Representative Marci Mustello submitted to the Board of Supervisors a directory for the Grant and Funding Program. The Representative will have a satellite office at the Saxonburg Community Library the first Wednesday of each month from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. beginning February 7, 2024. A meeting with the Pennsylvania Secretary of Transportation will be held on April 3, 2024. The location needs to be determined.

ADJOURNMENT

Larry Osche motioned at 8:05 p.m. to convene the meeting into executive session and no decisions will be made. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was reconvened 9:14 p.m.

With there being no further business to come before the board, Rick Green motioned to adjourn the meeting. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Roxann L. Stickney, Secretary

NEXT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PUBLIC MEETING WILL BE HELD WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2024