

Greenfield Township Supervisors' Meeting – Jan 3rd 2022 Meeting Minutes

The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted and the recently elected Township officials were sworn in. Mike Mancuso as Supervisor, Ron Jenkins as Auditor, and Paul Fortuner as Constable.

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenfield Township Supervisors was then called to order at 7:59 pm

The roll call was Supervisor Slobodnik present, Supervisor Totsky present, Supervisor Mancuso – present, Attorney Casper present, and Secretary Brewer present.

A Supervisor's quorum was present so the meeting was able to proceed.

There were no corrections to the minutes by the Supervisors of the December 7th and December 22nd meetings so the minutes stood approved as distributed.

At 8:02 pm Supervisor Slobodnik moved to close the regular meeting and open the 2022 reorganization meeting with Supervisor Totsky as chairperson.

Supervisor Mancuso seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

There were no public comments on the reorganization appointments.

Supervisor Mancuso moved to appoint Supervisor Totsky as Chairperson for 2022. Supervisor Slobodnik seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes and the meeting continued with Supervisor Totsky as chairperson.

Supervisor Totsky moved to appoint Supervisor Slobodnik as Vice Chairperson for 2022. Supervisor Mancuso seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Supervisor Totsky moved to appoint Supervisor Mancuso as Treasurer. Supervisor Slobodnik seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Supervisor Mancuso proposed the following appointments as motions.

- Nick Bonczkiewicz as Roadmaster,
- Patty Apostolakes to the vacancy board,
- Walter Casper as Solicitor,
- Chaz Brewer as Secretary,
- Kyle Durko as Fire Chief,

- Charles Lubash as EMA Director,
- Kyle Durko as EMA Deputy,
- Jeff Martin as Police Chief,
- Justin Ezerskis as Assistant Police Chief,
- Dennis Kutch, P.E., KBA as Township Engineer,
- That the Planning Commission members remain the same,
- Donald Flynn Jr. to the Sewer Authority Board,
- Justin Ford as Sewer Enforcement Officer,
- That the Zoning Board members remain the same,
- For Northeast Inspection Consultants to handle zoning and permits,
- First National Bank as the Township Depository,
- To set the Treasurer's Bond at \$250,000,
- Berkhiemer as the earned income collector,
- To make the first Tuesday of each month at 8pm as meeting night for 2022 and if it falls on a holiday or on election day, then it will be the next Tuesday,
- That the Township Holidays be New Year's Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Veterans' Day, and Christmas,
- That the 2022 millage remains at 17 mills,
- To retain Atty. Jack Dean of Elliott Greenleaf & Dean as counsel for township for legal matters,
- Zelenkofske Axelrod LLC (CPA's) to provide technical assistance and advice in relation to the policies, procedures and accountability and the American Rescue Plan Act funding program,
- William Owens and Company CPA as independent auditor.

Supervisor Totsky seconded the motions. The motions passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

At 8:09 pm Supervisor Mancuso moved to close the reorganization meeting and reopen the regular meeting. Supervisor Slebodnik seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

The Township departments read or stated verbally their reports as available. During the Supervisor's report Patty Apostolakes announced that the Township received a \$70,000 grant for the park.

There were no public comments on agenda items.

After an explanation by Solicitor Casper Supervisor Totsky moved to approve the EMS addendum agreement. Supervisor Mancuso seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

After an explanation by Solicitor Casper, Supervisor Slebodnik moved that the Cell Tower Lease be approved. Supervisor Totsky seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

The meeting was then open for public comments, questions, and requests. Brenda Gavin asked if the Township was receiving any compensation for the cell tower lease. Supervisor Mancuso and Solicitor Casper responded yes, \$1200 per month (actual amount is \$1000 per month, corrected by Supervisor Mancuso afterwards). She also asked if the EMS positions were filled. The Supervisors responded yes. She also commented about the Fire Department's billing process for ambulance services.

Supervisor Mancuso moved to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Slebodnik seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:19pm.

Greenfield Township Supervisors' Meeting – February 1st, 2022 Meeting Minutes

There was a moment of silence for Paul Fortuner then the Pledge of Allegiance was conducted. The meeting of the Greenfield Township Supervisors was then called to order at 8:02 pm

The roll call was Supervisor Slobodnik present, Supervisor Totsky present, Supervisor Mancuso – present, Attorney Casper present, and Secretary Brewer present. A Supervisor's quorum was present so the meeting was able to proceed.

There were no corrections to the minutes by the Supervisors of the January 3rd meeting so the minutes stood approved as distributed.

The Township departments read or stated verbally their reports as available

There were no public comments on agenda items.

Supervisor Mancuso moved to request a \$400k loan with the First National Bank for a FDR project on the roads. Supervisor Totsky seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

The meeting was then open for public comments, questions, and requests. Patty Apostolakes reported the status on the park project. Supervisor Mancuso gave an explanation on the road project. Mike Mazza commented on the Treasurer's Report. Supervisor Totsky noted that the 2022 Greenfield Day will be held on August 6th from 1 to 4pm.

Supervisor Slobodnik moved to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Mancuso seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:11pm.

Greenfield Township Supervisors' Meeting – March 1st 2022 Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenfield Township Supervisors was called to order at 8:00 pm with the pledge of Allegiance.

The roll call was Supervisor Slebodnik present, Supervisor Totsky present, Supervisor Mancuso present, Attorney Casper present, Secretary Brewer present.

A Supervisor's quorum was present so the meeting was able to proceed. There were no corrections to the minutes of the February 1st meeting by the Supervisor's so the minutes stood approved as distributed.

The Township departments read or stated verbally their reports as available. During the Treasurer's report Supervisor Mancuso made a motion to approve the Draft financial audit by Williams Owens and Company. Supervisor Totsky seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes. Afterwards Donald Flynn, the Sewer Authority Treasurer, gave a sewer Authority financial report.

The following individuals commented and expressed their concerns on proposed Ordinance 03/01/2022 amending the Township's Sewer Ordinance: Brenda Gavin, Ken Atkinson, Betty Zuk, Mike Mazza, Glen Shifler, Jack Williams, Paul Mancini, Bill Farber Jr, Kathy Grande, Brandon Atkinson, and Linda Jenkins.

Supervisor Mancuso moved to table Ordinance 01/01/2022 amending the Township's Sewer Ordinance. Supervisor Totsky seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Michael Schupp expressed his concerns about the condition of the property at Shust Rd and Rt 106. Patty Apostolakes reported on upcoming events in the Township.

Supervisor Slebodnik moved to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Mancuso seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 9:07pm.

Greenfield Township Supervisors' Meeting – April 5th, 2022 Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenfield Township Supervisors was called to order at 8:02 pm with the pledge of Allegiance.

The roll call was Supervisor Slebodnik present, Supervisor Totsky present, Supervisor Mancuso present, Attorney Casper present, Secretary Brewer present.

A Supervisor's quorum was present so the meeting was able to proceed.

There were no corrections to the minutes of the March 1st meeting by the Supervisors, so the minutes stood approved as distributed.

The Township departments read or stated verbally their reports as available.

The following individuals commented and expressed their concerns on proposed Ordinance 04/05/2022, amending the Township's Sewer Use Ordinance and/or Resolution 04/05/2022 Suspending Health Insurance Coverage for elected officials: Jack Williams, Betty Zuk, and Mike Mazza.

Travis Long, the Sewer Authority engineer, gave an update on the Sewer Authority operations and took questions from the public.

Supervisor Mancuso moved to approve Ordinance 04/05/2022 amending the Township's Sewer Use Ordinance. Supervisor Totsky seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Supervisor Slebodnik moved to approve Resolution 04/05/2022 suspending Health Insurance Coverage for elected officials. Supervisor Mancuso seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Supervisor Totsky moved to authorize execution of documents required for the \$400k loan for road projects. Supervisor Slebodnik seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Robert Tompkin from Solar Development explained the proposed construction of a commercial solar farm on Route 247 in Greenfield Township. Solicitor Casper referenced him to the Zoning Board.

Paul Mancini objected to the amended Sewer Use Ordinance.

Supervisor Mancuso moved to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Totsky seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:49pm.

Greenfield Township Supervisors' Meeting – May 3rd, 2022 Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenfield Township Supervisors was called to order at 8:02 pm with the pledge of Allegiance.

The roll call was Supervisor Slebodnik present, Supervisor Totsky present, Supervisor Mancuso present, Attorney Casper present, Secretary Brewer present. A Supervisor's quorum was present so the meeting was able to proceed.

There were no corrections to the minutes of the April 5th meeting by the Supervisors, so the minutes stood approved as distributed.

The Township departments read or stated verbally their reports as available.

There were no comments from the public on Agenda items.

Supervisor Mancuso moved to approve Ordinance 05/03/2022 and related papers required by the PA Local Government Unit Debt Act (LGUDA) relative to obtaining approval from PA DECD for the Township to incur debt in the form of a \$400,287.50 loan from FNB of PA to be used for improvements to Poor Farm Road, Arnold Road & Sickler Pond Road. Supervisor Slebodnik seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Mike Mazza wanted to know where the township got the new used grader from and commented on the tractor trailer traffic through the township.

Patty Apostolakes gave an update on the Greenfield Township Community Park Project.

Supervisor Totsky moved to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Mancuso seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:12pm.

Greenfield Township Supervisors' Meeting – June 7th, 2022 Meeting Minutes.

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenfield Township Supervisors was called to order at 8:00 pm with the pledge of Allegiance.

The roll call was Supervisor Slebodnik present, Supervisor Totsky present, Supervisor Mancuso present, Attorney Casper present, Secretary Brewer present. A Supervisor's quorum was present, so the meeting was able to proceed.

There were no corrections to the minutes of the May 3rd meeting by the Supervisors, so the minutes stood approved as distributed.

Ted Ritsick (DCED Planner) and Mary Liz Donato (Lackawanna County Planning Manager) presented the Potential North Lackawanna Planning Region Project. Supervisor Mancuso moved that Greenfield Township show interest in the project. Supervisor Totsky seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

The Township departments read or stated verbally their reports as available.

During the Supervisor's report Supervisor Totsky moved to approve the Solicitor to seek bids for the improvement of the exterior of the Township building. Supervisor Slebodnik seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

There were no comments from the public on Agenda items.

Supervisor Mancuso moved to authorize the solicitor and the Township Engineer to prepare and issue a letter to PENNDOT on behalf of Greenfield Township requesting an engine brake retarder restriction study on State Route 106.

Supervisor Slebodnik seconded that motion. After a brief explanation by Solicitor Casper the motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Supervisor Slebodnik moved to establish a Uniformed Pension Plan for Township Police with the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System and authorize the Solicitor to prepare and issue a letter from the Board to PMRS to request a cash balance plan. Supervisor Totsky seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Supervisor Totsky moved to approve the repository offer bids of Arthur Holding LLC to purchase two parcels of land on Boulevard Avenue in Greenfield Township from the Lackawanna County Tax Claim Bureau Repository. Pin Numbers 01404-040-010 and 01404-040-01001. Supervisor Mancuso seconded that motion. After a brief explanation by Solicitor Casper the motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Patty Apostolakes gave an update on the Greenfield Township Community Park Project and reminded the public about the August 6th Greenfield Township Community Day.

Mike Mazza commented that the Township should have extra fuel tanks. Theresa Kilmer expressed concern regarding a letter she received about a potential Solar Farm in Greenfield Township

Supervisor Mancuso moved to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Totsky seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:51pm.

Greenfield Township Supervisors' Meeting – July 5th, 2022 Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenfield Township Supervisors was called to order at 8:04 pm with the pledge of Allegiance.

The roll call was Supervisor Slebodnik present, Supervisor Totsky present, Supervisor Mancuso present, Attorney Casper present, Secretary Brewer present. A Supervisor's quorum was present, so the meeting was able to proceed.

There were no corrections to the minutes of the June 5th meeting by the Supervisors, so the minutes stood approved as distributed.

The Township departments read or stated verbally their reports as available.

There were no comments from the public on Agenda items.

Supervisor Slebodnik opened two bids from Building Plus and McGraw Construction for the improvement of the exterior of the Municipal building.

Supervisor Mancuso moved to table to act on the bids until the next meeting. Supervisor Slebodnik seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

George Fezy noted that water run-off from Altier Lane is running through Sickler Pond Road into his property and flooding his home. Solicitor Casper indicated that the Township is aware of the situation and is looking into a solution to prevent future damage to Sickler Pond Road.

Supervisor Mancuso moved to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Totsky seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:24pm.

Greenfield Township Supervisors' Meeting – August 2nd, 2022 Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenfield Township Supervisors was called to order at 8:01 pm with the pledge of Allegiance.

The roll call was Supervisor Slebodnik present, Supervisor Totsky present, Supervisor Mancuso present via phone, Attorney Casper present, Secretary Brewer present. A Supervisor's quorum was present, so the meeting was able to proceed.

There were no corrections to the minutes of the July 5th meeting by the Supervisors, so the minutes stood approved as distributed.

The Township departments read or stated verbally their reports as available.

There were no comments from the public on Agenda items.

Supervisor Totsky moved to accept the bid from Chris Phillips for the maintenance for the exterior of the Municipal building. Supervisor Slebodnik seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Jerry Snyder wondered if the Township was getting reimbursed for anything regarding the individuals that were involved with the previous Sewer Authority legal issues. The Board responded that it is a Sewer Authority issue.

George Fezy expressed his concern on the water run-off from Altier Lane. Solicitor Casper responded with an update.

Mike Mazza commented on the road work on Wagner Blvd.

Supervisor Totsky moved to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Slebodnik seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:27pm.

Greenfield Township Supervisors' Meeting – September 6th, 2022 Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenfield Township Supervisors was called to order at 8:03 pm with the pledge of Allegiance.

The roll call was Supervisor Slebodnik present, Supervisor Totsky present, Supervisor Mancuso present, Attorney Casper present, Secretary Brewer present. A Supervisor's quorum was present, so the meeting was able to proceed.

There were no corrections to the minutes of the August 2nd meeting by the Supervisors, so the minutes stood approved as distributed.

The Township departments read or stated verbally their reports as available.

During the Supervisors' report Supervisor Mancuso moved to approve the minimum municipal obligation for the 2023 non-uniform pension plan at \$3000 per year. Supervisor Totsky seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Howard Evans, the Zoning Hearing Board Chairman, gave a update on the proposed Solar Farm in Greenfield Township and he expressed a concern about mail being delivered to the Zoning Board in a timely manner.

John Marino gave a presentation about the construction of an Animal Therapy Mental Health Center in Greenfield Township. At John Marino's request Supervisor Mancuso moved to approve Bianca's Forget Me Not Canine Haven to seek from the state \$1.35 million for the project. Supervisor Slebodnik seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Bob Warren commented on the Ordinance that prohibits RV's as a permanent residence and also regarding notices he received for violating the Ordinance.

Shirley Iyob commented on information she heard about a roundabout at Finch Hill corners. Chris Kelley from the Times Tribune informed the public about information he has regarding the roundabout and other possible option for the four corners.

Supervisor Totsky moved to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Mancuso seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:39pm.

Greenfield Township Supervisors' Meeting – October 4th, 2022 Meeting Minutes.

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenfield Township Supervisors was called to order at 8:02 pm with the pledge of Allegiance.

The roll call was Supervisor Slebodnik present, Supervisor Totsky present, Supervisor Mancuso present, Attorney Casper present, Secretary Brewer present. A Supervisor's quorum was present, so the meeting was able to proceed.

There were no corrections to the minutes of the September 6th meeting by the Supervisors, so the minutes stood approved as distributed.

The Township departments read or stated verbally their reports as available.

Howard Evans, the Zoning Hearing Board Chairman, gave a update on the proposed Solar Farm in Greenfield Township.

Ted Ritsick from DCED gave an update us on the County Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan.

There were no public comments on agenda items.

Supervisor Mancuso moved to adopt Ordinance 10-04-2022, the Police Pension Plan. Supervisor Slebodnik seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Supervisor Totsky moved to approve the Phil Podyski subdivision on Pierce Road. Supervisor Mancuso seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Supervisor Slebodnik moved to approve the Police request for the Lackawanna County reinvest program grant. Supervisor Totsky seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

The Board had a discussion regarding a possible millage increase for 2023 due to increased expenses.

Holly Widzon commented on the EMT shifts. Ron Jenkins commented on the sharing of costs with Clifford Township.

Phil Podyski asked what the next step is with his subdivision.

Supervisor Slebodnik moved to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Totsky seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:22pm.

Greenfield Township Supervisors' Meeting – November 1st, 2022 Meeting Minutes.

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenfield Township Supervisors was called to order at 8:01 pm with the pledge of Allegiance.

The roll call was Supervisor Slobodnik present, Supervisor Totsky present, Supervisor Mancuso present, Attorney Casper present, Secretary Brewer present. A Supervisor's quorum was present, so the meeting was able to proceed.

There were no corrections to the minutes of the October 4th meeting by the Supervisors, so the minutes stood approved as distributed.

The Township departments read or stated verbally their reports as available.

Howard Evans, the Zoning Hearing Board Chairman, stated that the Greenfield Solar Farm Zoning Hearing will be November 15th at the Greenfield Township Municipal building at 7pm.

Supervisor Chairperson Totsky stated that the 2023 Township reorganization meeting will be on Monday, January 2nd at 7pm at the Greenfield Township Municipal Building.

There were no public comments on agenda items.

After a discussion regarding a 2-millage tax increase for 2023 due to increased expenses, Supervisor Mancuso moved to adopt the increase. Supervisor Totsky seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Tiffany Korb, speaking on behalf of Rick White, addressed the board regarding the Township's Zoning Ordinance and citations given for violations.

Kathy Everett presented to the board a subdivision combining two properties. Supervisor Totsky moved to approve the subdivision. Supervisor Mancuso seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Supervisor Mancuso moved to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Totsky seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:28pm.

Greenfield Township Supervisors' Meeting – December 6th, 2022 Meeting Minutes.

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenfield Township Supervisors was called to order at 8:01 pm with the pledge of Allegiance.

The roll call was Supervisor Slebodnik present, Supervisor Totsky present, Supervisor Mancuso present, Attorney Casper present, Secretary Brewer present. A Supervisor's quorum was present, so the meeting was able to proceed.

There were no corrections to the minutes of the November 1st meeting by the Supervisors, so the minutes stood approved as distributed.

The Township departments read or stated verbally their reports as available.

Supervisor Susan Totsky noted that the regular Township meeting and Reorganization meeting will be held on Monday, January 2nd at 7PM at the Greenfield Township Municipal Building and also that there was a Supervisors Working Session on November 30th at which the cell tower, fiscal issues, and the County Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan were discussed. Also that the 2023 budget meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 14th at 2pm in the Greenfield Township Municipal Building.

There were no public comments on agenda items.

Ted Ritsick from DCED answered questions regarding Greenfield Township's participation in the County Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan.

Supervisor Slebodnik moved to approve Greenfield Township's participation in the County Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan. Supervisor Mancuso seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Supervisor Mancuso moved for the Township to agree to the terms of the 17 Mile Cell Tower lease. Supervisor Slebodnik seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes.

Tiffany Korb and Rick White commented on the Zoning violation that they received by North East Inspection Consultants.

Bill Farber stated that the Greenfield Township Police Department is commended for doing a great job.

Supervisor Mancuso moved to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Totsky seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:47pm.

Greenfield Township Supervisors' 2023 Budget Meeting – December 14th, 2022 Meeting Minutes.

The 2023 Budget meeting meeting of the Greenfield Township Supervisors was called to order at 2:11 pm with the pledge of Allegiance.

The roll call was Supervisor Slebodnik present, Supervisor Totsky present, Supervisor Mancuso present, Attorney Casper absent, Secretary Brewer present. A Supervisor's quorum was present, so the meeting was able to proceed.

Supervisor Susan Totsky noted that the regular Township meeting and Reorganization meeting will be changed from Monday, January 2nd, 2023, to Tuesday, January 3rd 2023 at 8PM at the Greenfield Township Municipal Building since January 2nd is a government holiday.

There were no public attendees at this meeting.

Supervisor Mancuso verbally reviewed the 2023 budget. Supervisor Totsky moved to approve the 2023 budget. Supervisor Slebodnik seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present

Supervisor Mancuso moved to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Slebodnik seconded that motion. The motion passed with a voice vote with all Supervisors present voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 2:31pm.