

Wolf Township Supervisors – Regular Meeting – October 14, 2024

The Wolf Township Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman, Dean Barto at the Township Building. Supervisor's attending were David Thomas and Gregg Clayton.

Visitors: Bill Edner - Water Authority, and Dan Dorman, HVFD Chief.

Chief Dorman gave costing information to the board concerning funds needed to provide EMS Service to the community. The anticipation is that these costs would provide for one paid EMT during the week and two paid personal on Fridays and Saturdays.

Dan also responded to the correspondence sent to him regarding the Bollinger Solar LLC. Project concerning the access road width only being 12 foot wide on the site plans. He requested that the road be a 14 foot wide access road for the emergency access.

Minutes: A MOTION was made by Dave Thomas, seconded by Gregg Clayton to approve the minutes of the Regular Meetings of September 9, 2024. MC.

REPORTS OF OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEES

Code Enforcement: Monthly report distributed to the Board.

Planning Commission: No meeting in October.

Solicitor:

- 1.) Scott Williams responded to Jenn Mausteller's email concerning the compensation increase approved by the PA Legislature and the process of how the increases would become effective, if we would desire a resolution to be written in the future.
- 2.) Scott also informed us his office received a request for the township to enter into an agreement with Pennsylvania General Energy company, LLC for a right-of-way for a water line to be run above ground along Dutchtown road and Genessee Trail. After some discussion, it was determined more details need to be known before action can be taken.

Roadmaster:

- 1.) Gregg reported that the fall mowing is in process and that the township John Deere tractor has some mechanical problems which he thinks is electrical and is trying to get the dealer to come look at the problem. He also said he is looking to replace the mowers with a rear design instead of the current side mower.

Sewer Authority:- No Report

Water Authority:

Bill Edner reported that the water authority is still looking for personal and trying to get the LAM Development road cuts repaired.

Old Business:

- 1.) Dave reported that he had received Dan Vassallo's October 10, 2024 review letter (and noted that he received one and then a revised copy) detailing the items of concern. In particular concern was regarding the need for calculations of the pipe sizes to handle a 100 year storm event.

During the conversation, Dean asked the solicitor if the township could approve the storm draining design if it would not meet the calculations for the 100 year event. His response was that there is current litigation concerning a townships liability in a similar situation.

It was agreed that Dave should have his engineers review the calculations and respond to Dan's requested information.

Also discussed was the condition of Chel Drive and what would be a path forward for the township to accept the road. At question is the current condition of the road having the base coat without a top (seal) coat for so many years. Discussions centered around Dan Vassallo's inspection (September 28, 2023) detailed in his October 23, 2023 letter, Michael Wiley's letter to Tom Hess dated January 25, 2024, and the Technical Assistance Memo confirming the inspection dated October 13, 2023 by Jason Snyder, PE, Maintenance Engineer.

After much discussion, it was decided that the township would determine a path forward with Dan Vassallo and get back to Dave.

New Business:

- 1.) A motion was made by Gregg Clayton, seconded by Dave Thomas to approve the release of financial security for Barbara Sones since she has met all submittals. MC.
- 2.) A motion was made by Dave Thomas, seconded by Gregg Clayton to tentatively adopt the 2025 Budget for Public Inspection. MC.
- 3.) Dean reported that the EIT tax collections will be performed by Keystone Collections Group, replacing the WASD Collections office (as they are no longer going to exist) with the overall rate being 1.26% (plus postage) split between school districts and municipalities 50/50 as was done previously.

The previous rate with the WASD was 1.76% and the competitive bid form Berkheimer was 1.28%, so all entities will see more revenue.

Financial Report:

A MOTION was made by Greff Clayton, seconded by Dave Thomas to approve the treasurers report and Payment of Bills. MC.

A MOTION was made by Dave Thomas, seconded by Gregg Clayton to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:25 PM. MC.

Respectfully submitted,

Dean Barto
Chairman