AGENDA: SUPERVISORS MEETING, MERCER TOWNSHIP, BUTLER COUNTY, PA

May 20, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 7: pm by .

Members present:
Visitors present:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All attendees (please stand).

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: <u>Motion</u> to accept the April 15, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes as printed: Second:

#### BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

#### OLD BUSINESS:

### Kozy Rest Sewage Expansion:

New expenses are incurring & will be invoiced in the future as our solicitor & engineering firm assist with the project completion.

### Public Sewer:

- 1. <u>Incomplete connections/inspections (5)</u>: <u>Unchanged</u>: D. Brown #2 (missed April 15 deadline); <u>K. Schumacher</u>; <u>R&M Holdings '09</u>, <u>LLC</u>; McFeaters; 204 Boyers Rd (to be capped by new owners).
- 2. <u>Delinquencies-Three or more months (13)</u>: <u>Updated</u>: None sent for collection after 5/1/2024 invoicing. Ten (10) properties (8 owners) currently are delinquent by 5 months or more. Three (3) Final Warnings given. Three (3) (2 owners) are 3-4 months delinquent.
- 3. Property Liens (10): Unchanged: D. Brown (connect); F. Carroll-Gillen (debt); J. Green (debt); S. Heller (debt); V. Kennedy (3 properties) (debt); R/J. McFeaters (connect/debt); G. Mullett (debt); H. Russell (debt).
- 4. <u>Notice of Claim</u>: Filed on H. Russell estate. Emailed Register of Wills for an update. Will contact Estate attorney for information on how they will proceed.
- 5. <u>Sheriff Sale (3/3)</u>: <u>Unchanged</u>: J. Green; S. Heller; R. McFeaters; & 3 V. Kennedy properties. V. Kennedy properties are on hold if he pays as agreed.
- 6. Auto Pay: 38 of 120 accounts (32%) are now set up on auto pay.
- 7. Delinquency Rate: Total-14%; Severe-7.5%.
- 8. <u>Grinder Pumps</u>: None out for repair. Electronic panel fixed via telephone call at 644 W. Mercer St. Ext. on 5-13-24.
- 9. STP Pump #2: Pumpman Pittsburgh to fix this & the #1 hour meter.
- 10. <u>S. Pierce</u>: Possible connection on W. Prairie St. Awaiting his response.
- 11. <u>D. Crum</u>: Email asking about possible connection at 200 Shields Rd. Want to remove sand mound.

# Private Sewer:

1. On-Lot Sewage Permits (2024): 3 - A. Burnett; T. McDougall; D. Kellogg.

## Municipal Office:

1. <u>Building Permits (2024)</u>: 4 - J. DiSanti; E. Meier; L. Fulmer; K. & R. Boozel.

## Municipal Garage:

- 1. <u>New Dump Truck</u>: Delivery planned for the end of May. Still working out the details. Will pay invoice in full after approval at the June 17<sup>th</sup> Board of Supervisors Meeting.
- 2. Resident Recycle Day: Saturday, May 18th, 2024. 7 am noon.
- 3. <u>Spare Tire for Wheel Loader</u>: New rim: \$422. New tire: \$1050. Not mounted. <u>Motion</u> to purchase new rim & tire at \$1472.00 & have Gahr's mount it:

### CEO:

- 1. "For Love of the Lost"/Fish property: Received photos from CEO. E.
  Treese & J. Bennett, Jr. drove by to check progress. None. Will contact solicitor to proceed with next step. Neighbors continue to voice their concerns.
- 2. Peters/Combine property: Nothing new to report.

EMC/Weather - Emergency Management Coordinator: B. Grossman. Letter mailed confirming appointment & reimbursement rate. Will attend EMC conference in SR on 5-18-24.

Shields Rd. Tree: Solicitor prepared a complaint to file with the PUC.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

<u>Resolution #24-0520-01</u>: <u>Motion</u> to sign Resolution #24-0520-01 increasing Township Auditors pay to \$18.00 an hour. The new pay rate begins at the beginning of their new term in office, per PA Constitution: Second:

#### OTHER BUSINESS:

Tower North Development Stormwater Management Plan: The Crossroads Group is planning to build a new cell tower along Route 8, north of Harrisville & is coordinating with us & the EADS Group.

# MEETING REPORTS:

BCATO: (5-2-24) Finalized details for the County Convention on May 16th.

Butler Co. Municipal Outreach Mtg: (5-7-24) Talked about the Mobile Agriculture Labs being presented at schools from K-8<sup>th</sup> grade. Also covered the Transportation Improvement Plan & the Public Participation Panel. Butler County meeting is virtual on June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm.

Pine-Harrisville Authority: (5-14-24) No meeting was held.

Mercer Co. COG: (5-15-24)

BCATO Spring Convention: (5-16-24)

#### ROAD REPORT:

4/2/24 Cleaned drop box on Shields Rd;

4/3/24 Checked roads for flood damage & switched buckets on loader;

4/4/24 Controlled traffic while tree was being taken down on Wick Rd;

4/6/24 Cleaned ditches on Browntown, Enterprise, Sutherland & Unity Rds;

4/8/24 Put load of salt away, cleaned spreader box & loader;

4/9/24 Put new molding around both doors on office, also cleaned the outside of both doors;

4/12/24 Checked roads for flooding;

4/13/24 Went to Slippery Rock for anchor bolts, changed forks on loader, cleaned tree up in Eakman's yard;

4/19/24 Picked up glass at SEI;

4/29/24 Mowed STP, took plow & spreader off truck, took truck to Gahr's for repair.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT:

 General Fund:
 \$150,038

 Sewer Fund:
 \$73,523

 Liquid Fuels Fund:
 \$144,508

 Capital Reserve:
 \$124,885

 Escrow Fund:
 \$4,517

 Total:
 \$497,471

Motion to reimburse General Fund from Liquid Fuels Fund for the following
invoices:

Compass Minerals; #1279707; 1/12/24; 22.43 tons of road salt - \$1,924.05 Kohler Tree Svs; #2099; 4-6-24; remove hazard trees on Wick Rd - \$1,900.00 Compass Minerals; #1323072; 4-8-24; 23.22 tons of road salt - \$1,991.81

For a total of: \$5,815.86 to be transferred from Liquid Fuels Fund to General Fund:

Motion to pay bills: Second:

**ADJOURNMENT:** <u>Motion</u> to adjourn meeting at pm. Second: All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: