

**SUMMIT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 4, 2023**

The Summit Township Board of Supervisors public meeting was held on Wednesday, October 4, 2023, 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

Supervisors Willie Adams, Larry Osche and Rick Green were present. Also present was the Township Secretary, Roxann Stickney, David Barry, Jeff Leech and Eddie Trizzino.

OPEN TO THE FLOOR – QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON THE AGENDA

There were no questions or comments from the floor.

SEPTEMBER 20, 2023 REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

Rick Green motioned to approve the September 20, 2023 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 09/20/2023	714,768.73
CAPITAL FUND	233,910.63	CDs	510,086.66
FIRE HYDRANT FUND	4,347.35	SAVINGS ACCOUNTS	631,516.15
GENERAL FUND	341,553.02	DEPOSITS/DEBITS	47,717.37
SEWAGE ESCROW FUND	28,614.77	DISBURSEMENTS	55,486.80
SEWAGE PERMIT FUND	13,005.12	AVAILABLE FUNDS 10/04/2023	1,848,602.11
STATE FUND	85,568.41		
AVAILABLE FUNDS	706,999.30		
CAPITAL FUND - SAVINGS	154,453.28		
GENERAL FUND SAVINGS	477,062.87		
GENERAL FUND CD #6157	153,026.00		
GENERAL FUND CD #6158	357,060.66		
TOTAL FUND	1,848,602.11		

The treasurer presented the following report.

Deposits included Fire Relief Aid, State Pension Aid, savings account interest. CDs interest, earned income taxes, and local services taxes.

Disbursements included Act 537 Plan for public sewage project engineering fees, fuel, and Stutz Road guiderails.

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 Interstate Pipe & Supply Company invoice 5954792 for Kaiser Road pipe for \$965.00. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Larry Osche motioned to approve payment for Interstate Pipe & Supply Company invoice 5954793 for Kaiser Road pipe for \$1,930.00. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Rick Green motioned to approve payment for Jerich Insurance Agency invoice 3558 for the Township's liability insurance for \$1,690.00. Willie Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Larry Osche motioned to approve payment for Mark-IM.com invoice TL0080 for road department hoodies for \$543.00. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Larry Osche motioned to approve payment for Stan's Lawn & Garden invoice 42653 for John Deere lawn tractor repair for \$444.00. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

SUMMIT AUTHORITY PAYMENT REQUEST

The Summit Authority submitted a payment request for the following invoices totaling \$5,386.58. The Authority will reimburse the Township upon receiving funding.

Rick Green motioned to approve payment for Environmental Services Laboratories for water testing for the public sewage project for \$421.58. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Rick Green motioned to approve payment for Gallagher Law Group invoice 1960 for Rails-To-Trails Agreement for \$171.00. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Rick Green motioned to approve payment for Senate Engineering Company invoice 63601 for the public sewage project for \$4,794.00. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

UPGRADE PA WATER SYSTEM ON PORTMAN ROAD

Rick Green motioned to table the decision for the PA American Water system upgrade on Portman Road fire hydrant service until the next meeting due to no written documentation was received from PA American Water for the cost of the project to the Township. Willie Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

BUTLER AREA SEWER AUTHORITY (BASA) – PUC LITIGATION

Willie Adams motioned to ratify the decision to authorize the Township's Solicitor to file a reply to any objections or exceptions filed in the Butler Area Sewer Authority (BASA) – PUC litigation contesting the recommendation of the ALJ and to take any other action, as necessary. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

LICK HILL VFD

Larry Osche motioned for Lick Hill Volunteer Fire Department and Herman Volunteer Fire Company submit their 2022 audit to the Township by November 4, 2023. Willie Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

FIRE RELIEF AID

The 2023 Fire Relief Aid for volunteer fire companies was received. The distribution of the \$27, 216.32 will be determined at the November 1, 2023 public meeting.

PENSION STATE AID

The 2023 Pension State Aid of \$17,165.51 was received.

SPEED LIMIT SIGNS

The determination of the type of electronic speed limit signs will be determined whenever Saxonburg Police determine their type of sign. This will provide consistency for police services.

DRIVEWAY ORDINANCE

The Board of Supervisors determined that the driveway ordinance does not need to be updated.

Rick Green motioned for a letter to be sent to Chester Spohn for the \$75.00 driveway permit fee. The penalty will be waived. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ROADMASTER REPORT

The Roadmaster presented the following Report:

1. Work was performed at Kaiser Road for a drainage issue.
2. Cutting of grass was performed.
3. Traffic signs that were vandalized by paint and damaged were replaced.
4. Equipment maintenance was performed.

A full-time road department laborer position is open due to an employee leaving.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Rick Green requested an executive session be held.

Willie Adam announced on September 21, 2023 Larry Osche and himself looked at a couple of driveways.

A conference call between all Supervisors was held on September 28, 2023 regarding volunteer fire companies' issues.

A meeting is scheduled at Lick Hill Volunteer Fire Department on October 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. with the Supervisors.

OPEN TO THE FLOOR – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Jeff Leech thanked the Township for the good work performed on the Kaiser Road drainage issue.

ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business to come before the board, Larry Osche motioned to adjourn the meeting. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Roxann L. Stickney, Secretary

NEXT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PUBLIC MEETING WILL BE HELD WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023