

**POINT TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
REGULAR SUPERVISORS MEETING
TUESDAY, August 9, 2022**

The Point Township Board of Supervisors held their regularly scheduled meeting on the above date at the Point Township Municipal Building, 759 Ridge Road, Northumberland, PA. Present were: Chairman Randall W. Yoxheimer, Vice-Chairman Montie E. Peters (by phone), Supervisor James Neitz, Sr. Supervisor Joseph Stender, Sr. and Supervisor Thomas Strouse, Jr. Also, present were Solicitor Richard J. Shoch, Chief of Police Craig Lutcher, Secretary/Treasurer Amanda McClain, Office Clerk Amy Hoffman, Roadmaster Jared Wehry, NEIC representative Bill Brady and SEO Bill Toth.

Visitors present: Earl & Karen Persing, Rocky & Holly Roshon, Randy Persing, Bonnie Troxell. Dan Barnhart, Rhonda Prutzman; Pat Brown, Tom Hummel, Bonnie Troxell, Victor Grande from Rettew.

Yoxheimer apologized for late start, we had 2 conditional use hearings that ran long.

Chairman Yoxheimer welcomed everyone to the Supervisors meeting and all present repeated the Pledge of Allegiance. (*Draft of the minutes of the Regular Supervisors Meeting and a copy of the bills to be paid this evening on the front table of the meeting room provided for anyone interested in viewing the information, once reviewed please return to the table*).

Executive Session: we are going to put off until the end since the hearings ran over.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION made by Peters to approve the Meeting minutes from the Regular Supervisors Meeting on July 12,2022. Seconded by Neitz and passed unanimously.

REPORTS: (Old & New Business included):

Solicitor:

- *Adopt Ordinance 2022-04/Domestic Animal:*

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to adopt ordinance 2022-04/Domestic Animal Ordinance. Seconded by Peters and passed unanimously.

- *SALDO (Subdivision & Land Development Ordinance) and the Stormwater Mgmt. Ordinance:*

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to advertise for the SALDO upon questions being answered by the consultant and to advertise the Stormwater Mgmt. Ordinance. Seconded by Peters and passed unanimously.

- *Right to know request:* received a RTK a couple days ago, the Secretary already responded to it. We aren't typically required to produce a document as she did for this one, but we did it last year for hourly wage for the Dept of Labor and Industry.

Secretary: (Financial Report on file)

- *Pay 2022 MMO:* Townships contribution for pension for Township employees.

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to allow the Secretary to pay the MMO in the amount of \$69,772. Seconded by Peters and passed unanimously.

Police Department: (Report on File)

Fire Department: (No Report)

Fire Police: (Report on file)

EMA: (No Report)

Engineer: (No Report)

- *Consideration of Kapp Heights pipe purchase:* **Yoxheimer** with the costs right now, we are going to hold off ordering anything. We have already reached out to DEP; they will extend us another year.

Road Department: (Report on File)

- *Purchase of Zipper Teeth:* 500 teeth, free shipping, and another punch tool to remove teeth from the drum. **Yoxheimer** had Jared and reach out to Supervisors and get their thoughts prior to ordering.

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to retroactively approve the purchase of the Zipper Teeth in the amount of \$4,927.50. Seconded by Peters and passed unanimously.

- *Gutelius:* **Yoxheimer** the paving out front and in front of the PD garage. Bid came in just over \$38,000. There was an increase in the project. Some of the information the bidders needed were not adequately calculated. We should have had the Engineer more involved than we did.

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to approve the payment of the Gutelius bill, not to exceed \$51,000.

Seconded by Peters and passed unanimously.

- *Sewer Trailer:* **Peters** the trailer has been sold and will most likely be out of there this weekend. Troxell will disconnect all electric. Advised the Road Dept to have all machines away from the trailer it should be moved over the weekend.
- *Mountain Road:* put the material down, 4,500 tons of 2RC. Since we haven't had rain, the material was pretty dry. That day and the next, we noticed the material was breaking up. We talked with Yoxheimer and the Township Engineer, we came up with a test of adding screenings, fine sand, also putting water back in, and we also tried just adding water, which worked pretty well.
Yoxheimer the water truck is \$100 an hour. With the conditions we are dealing with, I don't think that is unreasonable. We are working on it. I also wanted to talk to the Board about using liquid fuel monies versus general. We have until September 15 to use liquid fuel money. We are hoping we can get it done by then, but if we can't get it done by then, we would have until mid-October to finish the job and use general monies. Does the Board have any objections to us doing things this way if we need to? All this is contingencies.

R. Persing back to Gutelius, when you bid that, was it fair to the other bidders that it ended up coming in 25% more than what it was bid at?

Shoch part of the issue was that there was some ambiguity with some of the documentation, in terms of spelling out the actual materials, but they all bid on all the same specifications/materials.

Barnhart question for the Roadmaster, he and the Engineer were out to Ward Lane, they determined the Township wasn't liable to get the drainage fixed and that it fell back on me. He explained a little bit of what I need to do. I need some type of documentation so if I want to pursue this, that I am doing it right. Its only 2 foot off the road.

Yoxheimer I was also out there that day, we looked at everything we could while we were there to come up with some solution for this. There is nothing that is really simple, Ward Lane is a private road.

Barnhart and why is it private?

Yoxheimer at one time this was someone's driveway, then more and more people started to build. If you did want to make it Township Road, you would have to bring it up to Township specifications, that would be an expensive process.

Sewage Enforcement Officer: *(No Report)*

Toth 5 soil profiles at the Encina site, 1 probe on Lahrs Road.

Yoxheimer asked him to go over the information he was sharing at the end of the conditional use hearing. Someone was looking to buy a home off a private road and be able to use it as an Airbnb.

Toth if this was a residential structure and it is being converted to a commercial structure, the gentlemen couldn't speak to what is there for a septic, but he is basically standing on grandfathered rights. Those rights go out the window when you change the use.

(Discussion ensued)

Zoning Enforcement Officer: *(Report on File)*

Ordinance Enforcement Officer: *(No Report)*

Planning Commission: *(No Report)*

- *Accept Lot Consolidation for Circular Recycling Facility, Encina*

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to accept the Lot Consolidation for the Circular Recycling Facility for Encina. Seconded by Peters and passed unanimously.

Shoch they are consolidating the 2 lots into 1, this has nothing to do with construction.

R. Roshon at the last meeting I asked about the setbacks for Industrial to Commercial, how close can you build to the property line. I was allowed 60 feet.

Grande this says 40 feet.

R. Roshon so you're telling me, I had to put my building 60 foot off the property line when I built it years ago, but they can put their building 40 feet off the property line?

Shoch/Yoxheimer I believe the 60 foot is from the front of the property, that is front setbacks.

Grande front setback is 80 feet.

R. Roshon so they can put that building 40 feet from my property, they told me they were going to put trees and all kinds of stuff up as a barrier.

Grande this is something that can certainly be brought up during land development.

Yoxheimer these are minimum requirements, there are flexibilities that exist.

Strouse asked Toth what he found with the probes he did?

Toth one passed, the rest failed, we were limited to where we tested based on where Encinas Engineers wanted it tested.

Yoxheimer commercial is 20-foot side setbacks, it was 60-foot front setback, now its 50. I know the side setbacks didn't change. There are considerations that can be considered with location to how close it can be on the side.

Grande this is just the first step, basically to eliminate that imaginary line in the middle.

Strouse asked Grande how far out is all this?

Grande I don't have the information yet. They are in the design process now.

Yoxheimer the fact that you are here, Roshon, having concerns about how close they are going to be to your house, means something to us. We will not agree to anything until you know what they are going to do. Does that mean you are going to be 100% satisfied, I don't know, we are here to be in your corner on some of these issues.

(Discussion ensued)

Recreation: *(No Report)*

Sewer Authority: *(No Report)*

Other Business:

General Public Comments/Resident Concerns:

Yoxheimer told Troxell that they did go out and look at the area on Spruce Hollow about the swail issue. Since it hasn't been tended to in some time, we are looking at getting some estimates to have someone come in and remove some of that brush before doing that stormwater through there.

Troxell the water company also needs to be contacted. So, who was there?

Yoxheimer the Engineer, Jared, Jimmy, and myself.

(Discussion ensued)

Pay Bills:

MOTION made by Strouse to pay bills. Seconded by Stender and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Meeting adjourned at 8:21PM

All motions passed by a hand vote.

Executive Session no session needed

List of Communications: *(On File)*

Amy Hoffman, Office Clerk

Financial Reports:

Accounts Payable – Totaling: \$215,340.33

Amanda McClain, Secretary/Treasurer