

**POINT TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
REGULAR SUPERVISORS MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2024**

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 Thomas Strouse, Jr., Supervisor Montie Peters, Supervisor Joseph Stender, Jr. and Supervisor Clay Rowe. Also, present were Solicitor Richard J. Shoch, Office Manager/Secretary/Treasurer Amanda McClain and Office Assistant Amy Hoffman, Sergeant Kevin Herring (came at 7:41pm), Roadmaster Jared Wehry, ZEO Jackie Hart and SEO Bill Toth.

Visitors present: Helen Peters; Earl Persing; Pat Brown; Karen & Richard Smeltz; Paul Miller; Jason Hummel; Tom & Glenda Strouse; Kris Ramsey.

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).*

Conditional Use Hearing at 6PM

Public Comment on Agenda Items

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION made by Rowe to approve the minutes of the Regular Supervisors Meeting held on Tuesday, August 13, 2024. Seconded by Stender, Jr. and passed unanimously.

REPORTS: (Old & New Business included):

Solicitor:

- High Grass & weeds, charging property owners: after all other avenues are exhausted, this would allow the Township to mow, take care of weeds or hire a company to take care of it, and bill the resident plus charge an additional 10% percent.
Residents spoke up about a neighbor in their area that has had issues for 2 years now with un-mowed grass and very high weeds.
(Discussion ensued) (Numerous people talking at the same time)

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to allow the Solicitor to work with Hart to draft an ordinance for high grass and weeds, and the Township having the ability to charge property owners for service, plus an additional percentage. Seconded by Peters and passed unanimously.

- Status of Air Quality Ordinance: with still having this on the books, it causes confusion for incoming projects. Yoxheimer explained a previous project regarding Viking Energy and why this ordinance was put in place years ago. We have a monitoring ordinance in place now, and we should have a modeling ordinance in place for air quality. Nothing prevents us from energizing a new ordinance in the future.

MOTION made by Peters to move forward with the rescinding of the Air Quality Ordinance. Seconded by Strouse, Jr and passed unanimously.

- Codification Team: we should have a team of people for the codification, Jackie, Todd, myself, Amy and Amanda, and any Supervisors that would like to be part of it. This would be to review what they come back with and its accuracy.

Secretary: *(Financial Report on File)*

- Approve MMO for 2025: Minimum Municipal Obligation, this is for the pension for Uniform and Non-Uniform. There is a grant that we get this money back from.

MOTION made by Strouse, Jr to approve the MMO for 2025, PD for \$91,565 and Non-Uniform for \$10,189. Seconded by Stender, Jr and passed unanimously.

Police Department: *(Report on File) (McClain gave police report)*

- Purchase of non-ligature toilet and grab bars for holding cell: this was necessary for safety after an individual was in the holding cell and broke the toilet, creating sharp shards of porcelain. The metal non-ligature toilet and hand bars are for safety.

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to retroactively approve the purchase of the new toilet and grab bars for the holding cell, not to exceed \$8,000. Seconded by Peters and passed unanimously.

- Insurance claim for damaged vehicle: cruiser versus deer, damage to the front end. Sgt Herring took the car to Budman Auto, and they gave us an estimate of \$3,516.84. We did submit to insurance; we have a \$500 deductible.

Discussion ensued regarding paying out of pocket or putting through insurance.

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to allow this claim to be submitted and ran through insurance for the damaged PD Cruiser. Seconded by Peters and passed unanimously.

Fire Department: *(No Report)*

Fire Police: *(No Report to file per Zac Black)*

EMA: *(No Report to file per Mike Erdman)*

Engineer: *(No Report)*

Yoxheimer talked with Pysher, and he was complaining that now the state is requiring some statistical information on how certain funds were used and spent with the Growing Greener Grant we had for the Kapp Heights project. He actually called DEP and talked to Jason Fellon and Jason told him to fill it out the best he could that he wasn't even aware of all that is required.

Road Department: *(Report on File)*

- Obtain Logger Quotes for Hookies Grove Road: will be making calls for phone quotes about tree removal. Will hopefully have them for the October Meeting.

Wehry seal coat project is finished, Sycamore, Libeck and Valley View are all finished. We will be taking core samples of Neitz Road to finish that up next year.

(Discussion ensued regarding logging)

Yoxheimer the logger we have used in the past is unique, and no one is going to be able to do what we need for less than what he will charge us. This guy logs for chips and will take everything. Most loggers take for logs and don't want to take all the limbs, etc. We are just getting quotes right now.

Sewage Enforcement Officer: *(No Report)*

Toth did 1 pressure test and final inspection for Turner; Charles Young did an application for a replacement system; inspected 926 Susquehanna Trail, started an application there and met with him; off of Dornsife Road, another application there, he needs a replacement system for an old sand mound.

Zoning Enforcement Officer/Ordinance Enforcement Officer: *(Report on File)*

Hart 3 zoning permits issued: fence at 128 Autumn Lane; Roof Top Solar at 2098 Ridge Road; 20 x 24 Pavilion at 105 Auman Lane.

Planning Commission: *(No Report)*

Recreation: *(No Report)*

- Soccer Poles/net damage at Point Park: our mowers did some damage to the soccer goals at the park. A mower clipped a net and damaged it, and a former road crew employee was moving the goals with the mower and damaged the frame of another goal. NSSC already bought a replacement net for \$247; Wehry found replacement parts for the damaged goal for \$275. They owe us \$360 for the use of the field for games, so if we buy the replacement pieces, they will owe us \$113 after you deduct the net they purchased from what they owe us.

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to allow the purchase of the replacement parts for the soccer goal and to subtract the cost of the net NSSC soccer purchased to replace goal net from the Township invoice for use of the soccer field for games, leaving the soccer club owing the Township \$113. Seconded by Rowe and passed unanimously.

Wehry right now we are not mowing within 5 feet of any soccer goals. **Peters** good idea, have John Derr come to the next meeting.

Sewer Authority: *(No Report)*

Yoxheimer West Branch Regional Authority will be coming down to start work soon at the area out on route 11.

Other Business:

Yoxheimer the State did work on the part of Ridge Road between the CSVT and Route 11. By 2027, they are looking to completely redo Ridge Road, part of that is going to be a widening project. One of the issues that we thought we wanted to have looked at, is near Spruce Hollow Road, it is a dip in both directions, hits a bridge, can't see in either direction very well. Some accidents there, but in PennDOT's eyes, not enough. We talked to them about potentially straightening that road out, by taking the home along Ridge Road that has sat empty for years. We had Culver here, Representative's from PennDOT and the engineering firm that is looking to do the engineering for the Ridge Road project.

General Public Comments/Resident Concerns:

Pay Bills:

MOTION made by Peters to pay bills. Seconded by Stender, Jr. and passed unanimously.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 8:23PM.

All motions passed by hand vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Executive Session:

List of Communications: *(On File)*

Amy Hoffman, Office Assistant

Financial Reports: *(On File)*

Amanda McClain, Office Mgr./Secretary/Treasurer