

COOLSPRING TOWNSHIP ORGANIZATION MEETING
And COOLSPRING TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2024 7:00 PM

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Members Present: Corwin Masson, Dale Bestwick, Matt Hackett and Terri Ligo

Others in Attendance: None

Meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Corwin Masson, as acting chairman, requested a motion to appoint a Chairman of Supervisors. Matt made the motion to appoint Corwin Masson. Motion seconded by Dale. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

As newly appointed chairman, Corwin Masson, (referred to as "Cory" in the remaining minutes) carried on with the remaining appointments;

Cory asked for motion to appoint a Vice-Chairman. Dale made a motion to appoint Matt Hackett Vice-Chairman. Motion seconded by Cory. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory made a motion to appoint Dale Bestwick as Roadmaster. Motion seconded by Matt. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to appoint Supervisor-Employees. Dale made a motion to make all three Supervisors part-time employees. Matt seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to appoint a secretary. Dale made the motion to appoint Terri Ligo. Matt seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Wage package on separate page.

Cory asked for a motion to appoint a Treasurer. Dale made the motion to appoint Terri Ligo. Matt seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to set the Treasurer Bond amount. Matt made a motion to keep the treasurer's bond at \$1,000,000. Dale seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to appoint full-time labor –Alex Barnes. Matt made the motion, Dale seconded, motion passed. Wage package on separate page.

Cory asked for a motion to set the wage amount for seasonal/temporary labor position \$14.50 per hour. Matt made the motion, Dale seconded. Motion carried.

Cory asked for a motion to set the wage amount for seasonal/temporary CDL driver position \$18.50 per hour. Matt made the motion, Dale seconded. Motion carried.

Cory asked for a motion to establish a regular meeting date, time and location. Matt made the motion to keep the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at Coolspring Twp. office building, seconded by Dale. Motion Carried.

Cory asked for a motion to retain Mercer County State Bank and PLGIT as our depository bank for all accounts. Motion made by Dale, seconded by Matt. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to retain PNC Investments for depositor of CD's. Matt made the motion; Dale seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to set the mileage rate for 2023. Matt made a motion to set the township mileage rate at .65 cents per mile. Motion seconded by Dale. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to appoint Berkheimer as the Receiver of Wage Taxes for 2024. Motion made by Dale, seconded by Matt. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to appoint Berkheimer to collect the Local Services Tax (LST Tax) for 2024. Matt made the motion, seconded by Dale. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to reappoint Terri Ligo as the confidential contact for Berkheimer. Dale made the motion, seconded by Matt. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

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Cory asked for a motion to retain Roger Shaffer as Coolspring Township's Solicitor. Motion made by Matt, seconded by Dale. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to retain Gannet Fleming, Dan Goncz as Coolspring Township's engineering firm. Motion made by Dale, seconded by Matt. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to appoint an Emergency Management Coordinator. Matt made a motion to reappoint Corwin Masson. Dale seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to reappoint Terri Ligo Zoning Officer. Motion made by Dale, seconded by Matt. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to reappoint Terri Ligo as Open Records Officer. Motion made by Matt, seconded by Dale. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to retain Jason Dibble as Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor. Motion made by Dale, seconded by Matt. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to appoint David McCullough to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a 3-year term. Motion made by Matt, seconded by Dale. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

2024 – Dave Baver 2025 – John McGhee 2026 – David McCullough

Cory asked for a motion to appoint Bill Oehlbeck to the Township Planning Board for a 5-year term. Dale made a motion, Matt seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

2025 - Hans Jorgensen
2026 - Daniel Kloos
2027 - John McCullough
2028 - Tom Sauer
2029 – William Oehlbeck

Cory asked for a motion to reappoint Superior Ambulance Service to service Coolspring Township. Matt made the motion, seconded by Dale. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to reappoint East End Fire Department to service Coolspring Township. Dale made the motion, seconded by Matt. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to appoint DeeDee Zickar to collect the township's realty transfer tax. Dale made the motion, seconded by Matt. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Matt made a motion to appoint Cory Masson to represent Coolspring Township on the Brandy Springs Park Board. Dale seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to retain Pat Kelley as Sewage Enforcement Officer. Motion made by Dale, seconded by Matt. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to appoint Justin Bence as Alternate Sewage Enforcement Officer. Dale made the motion. Matt seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to appoint a choice of three for Building Code Inspections, Richardson Inspection Services, Prosek's Inspection Services and Pennsylvania Construction Inspection, Inc. Motion made by Dale, seconded by Matt. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to appoint Todd Steele to the vacancy board. Motion made by Matt, seconded by Dale. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to appoint John McGhee to the Tri County Board of Appeals. Motion made by Dale, seconded by Matt. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

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Cory asked for a motion to appoint two (2) representatives to the Mercer County Regional Planning Commission. Dale made the motion to appoint Corwin Masson and Tom Sauer. Matt seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to appoint a supervisor to serve with Mercer County Regional Council of Governments. Dale made the motion to appoint Matt Hackett, motion seconded by Cory. Motion passed.

Cory asked for a motion to appoint David McCullough to serve with Coolspring Jackson Lake Latonka Joint Authority. 4-year term 2024-2027. Dale made the motion, seconded by Matt. Motion passed.

Intent to use a CPA to audit year 2023 was advertised 10/09/23. Cory asked for a motion to appoint McGill, Power, Bell & Associates to audit year 2023. Matt made the motion, seconded by Dale. Motion passed.

Cory made a motion to appoint Dale Bestwick voting delegate to the 2024 State PSATS Convention. Matt seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Cory asked for a motion to recommend Roger Shaffer as solicitor to the Neshannock Creek Sewer Authority. Matt made the motion, Dale seconded. Motion passed.

Cory asked for a motion to recommend Gannet & Fleming as engineer to the Neshannock Creek Sewer Authority. Dale made the motion, Matt seconded. Motion passed.

Matt made a motion to set the fee schedule for 2024 as presented. (separate page) Dale seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cory asked for a motion to participate in the Mercer County Regional Council of Governments Joint Municipal Purchasing Program. Dale made a motion. Seconded by Matt. Motion passed.

Having no more appointments, Dale made a motion to adjourn the organization meeting.

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Immediately following the Organization Meeting; the January 2, 2024 Regular Monthly Supervisor's Meeting began as Cory asked for public comment. None.

Cory asked for a motion to accept the minutes of December 4, 2023 regular meeting as presented. Dale made the motion, seconded by Matt. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Treasurer's Report was presented:	Balance	November 30, 2023	\$147,392.53
	Deposits		19,116.23
	Expenses		-19,956.87
	Balance	December 31, 2023	\$146,551.89

Cory asked for a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion made by Dale, seconded by Matt. Report accepted unanimously.

Cory asked for a motion to pay the current bills. Matt made the motion, seconded by Dale. Motion passed.

Correspondence: 1 zoning/building permit for December 2023: 2 Greenhouses at 542 Greenville Rd.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Mercer County Joint Seal Coat meeting will be held Thursday, January 18, 2024 at 9:00 in the Coolspring Township rental hall.

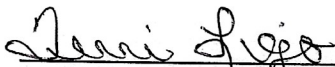
Tri-County Industries scheduled Clean-up Day for week of June 3, 2024.

Millings for turn around at end of Esposito Road.

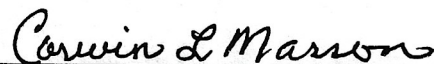
Having nothing further to discuss, Cory asked for a motion to adjourn. Matt made the motion. Meeting adjourned.

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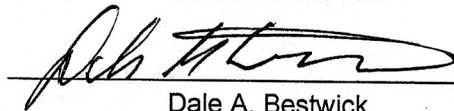
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Corwin L. Masson



Dale A. Bestwick



Matthew E. Hackett

COOLSPRING TOWNSHIP REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2024 7:00 PM

Members Present: Corwin Masson, Dale Bestwick, Matt Hackett and Terri Ligo

Others in Attendance: 47 people signed in

Meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and Opening Prayer

Public Comment: (Most comments are about the incoming solar facility on Miller School Road) Lynn DeAngio- has health safety concerns, wants solar out of residential zoned districts, stated regulations from states other than Pennsylvania on setbacks. Glenn Graeves- was at the October 2022 ZHB hearing and spoke out against the solar facility, states he represents Lake Latonka, concerned about temperature of water runoff effecting the lake, states that removal of timber has caused erosion and silt in the lake. Kim Thomas- is concerned about her water well that is close to the setback, wants a say in the what is used for buffer because she will have to see it in her back yard, concerns about noise, and the reflection increasing temperatures causing an increase in cost to cool her home. Tom Rizzo- states he also represents 650 residents of Lake Latonka and spoke at the October 2022 ZHB hearing against solar generation property, feels it should be put in industrial or commercial properties, concerned about decrease in property value. David DeAngio- stated percentages of decreased property values and questioned the research done before the ZHB decision. Meghan Fleming- transportation when moving in, states Coolspring Church Road is in terrible condition. Frank Laaks- told residents they will have to go to court. Dan Cameron- asked who provides oversite that the solar company follows the plan, does not want the fencing to have razor wire that looks like a prison. Richard Thomas- questions on setbacks 50' vs 35' on plans. Trees on property line must stay. Also has stormwater concerns of open water running across his yard and asked who is going to inspect this. Walt Darraugh- stated he is in favor of solar coming into Coolspring Twp. Kelly Barton- concerned for wildlife and vegetation, against solar until there are more regulations. Doesn't think the twp. researched enough. Todd Steele- if you try to control what your neighbor is doing on his property, where does it stop. Steve Roberts- was at the October 2022 ZHB hearing, suggested a referendum to vote on this issue. David McCullough- He, his wife and brother owns 700 acres in Coolspring Twp and has some of it leased by a solar company, this lease could possibly earn them \$1 million in their lifetime. They would be willing to sell the property for this amount to anyone wanting to control what happens on that property. Tim Sirofchuck- How close can the facilities be to each other? Traffic flow for construction vehicles? Tom Rizzo- should not have commercial operations in residential area. Meghan Fleming- suggested these concerns be addressed either on the website or with the solar company directly. Dan Cameron- Have we opened up the township for other solar companies to come in without knowing what they have in their solar panels? Judy King- in favor of solar facility.

Cory asked for a motion to accept the minutes of January 2, 2024 ~~Organization~~ Regular Monthly Meeting as presented. Matt made the motion, seconded by Dale. Passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report was presented:

Balance	December 31, 2023	\$146,551.89
Deposits		23,802.24
Expenses		-24,548.07
Balance	January 31, 2024	\$145,806.06

Cory asked for a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion made by Dale seconded by Matt. Report accepted unanimously.

Cory asked for a motion to pay the current bills. Dale made the motion, seconded by Matt. Motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence: 0 building/zoning permits for January 2024

Old Business: Seal Coat bid opening to be April 18, 2024. Had Zoom meeting about the bridge on Orr Road.

New Business: Resolution 2024-01 Joint Seal Coat Bid Program. Dale made a motion to adopt, Matt seconded; Resolution adopted.

Letter of resignation from Elected Auditor James Janzig. Dale made a motion to accept Mr. Janzig's letter, seconded by Matt.

Motion passed unanimously.

Lake Latonka POA requesting an additional fire hydrant at intersection of San Chez & Cayuga Trail. Dale made a motion to add one fire hydrant, Matt seconded. Motion passed unanimously.


Matt made a motion to purchase road salt through COSTARS for the August 2024-July 2025 season. Dale seconded. Discussion on amount to order: Initial Fill (8/1/24- 10/31/24 -100 Tons

Winter Tons (11/1/23 - 7/31/25) -100 Tons For a total of 200 Tons. Motion carried.

Having nothing further to discuss, Cory asked for a motion to adjourn. Matt made the motion. Meeting adjourned.

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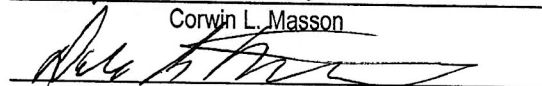
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Corwin L. Masson



Dale A. Bestwick

Matthew E. Hackett

COOLSPRING TOWNSHIP REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

MONDAY, March 4, 2024

7:00 PM

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Members Present: Corwin Masson, Dale Bestwick, And Terri Ligo

Others in Attendance: 7 people signed in

Meeting was called to order with Opening Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance

Barb Wilkins spoke about creating a Multi Municipal Authority for Brandy Springs Park. A meeting will be held in April at the Brandy Springs Community Building.

Public Comment: Mr. Thomas stated that he did not agree with resignation of one of the supervisors.

Cory asked for a motion to accept the minutes of February 5, 2024 Regular Monthly Meeting as presented. Dale made the motion, seconded by Cory. Motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report was presented:

Balance	January 31, 2024	\$145,806.06
Deposits		66,192.24
Expenses		-32,813.52
Balance	February 29, 2024	\$179,184.78

Cory asked for a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Dale made the motion, seconded by Cory. Report passed unanimously.

Cory asked for a motion to pay the current bills. Dale made the motion, seconded by Cory. Motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence: 5 building/zoning permits for February 2024. 1-inground pool, 1- home addition, 1-new single-family home, 1-shed and a roof over an existing deck.

Old Business: Motion to appoint Jeffrey Staul to fill the vacancy of Elected Auditor of Coolspring Township, replacing James Janzig, who's resignation was effective February 5, 2024. This term ends 12/31/2025. Dale made the motion, seconded by Cory. Motion passed unanimously.

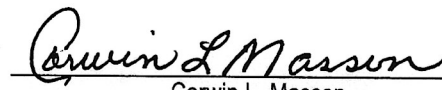
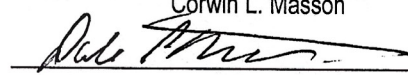
New Business: Cory read the letter of resignation from Supervisor Matthew Hackett. Cory asked for a motion to accept this letter to be effective immediately. Dale made the motion, seconded by Cory. Motion passed unanimously.

Having nothing further to discuss, Cory asked for a motion to adjourn. Dale made the motion. Meeting adjourned.

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Corwin L. Masson

Dale A. Bestwick

COOLSPRING TOWNSHIP REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2024 7:00 PM

Members Present: Corwin Masson, Dale Bestwick, Dan Kloos and Terri Ligo
Others in Attendance: Tom Sauer and Anne Bayer

Meeting was called to order with Opening Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment: Anne Bayer stated that the intersection of RT58 and W. Cornell is difficult to navigate when dark. Some discussion on placing reflective tape on the stop sign.

Cory asked for a motion to accept the minutes of March 4, 2024 Regular Monthly Meeting as presented. Dale made the motion, seconded by Cory. Motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report was presented:	Balance February 29, 2024	\$179,184.78
	Deposits	17,426.55
	Expenses	-42,366.48
	Balance March 31, 2024	\$154,244.85

Cory asked for a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Dale made the motion, seconded by Cory. Report passed unanimously.

Cory asked for a motion to pay the current bills. Dale made the motion, seconded by Cory. Motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence: 4 building/zoning permits for March 2024. 1- home addition, 1-pole building, 1 shed and 1 sign.

Old Business: Motion to appoint Daniel Kloos to fill the vacancy of Elected Supervisor Matthew Hackett, who's resignation was effective March 4, 2024. Matthew Hackett's term was 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2029. Daniel Kloos's appointment will be 4/1/2024 – 12/31/2025. The next municipal election is 2025 and will have 2 Supervisor terms to be elected; (1) six-year term and (1) four-year term.

Dan Kloos holds a position on the Coolspring Township Planning Board. Second Class Township Code, Section 403 (b.1) states that a supervisor can hold both positions.

Mercer County Joint Seal Coat bid opening is April 18th. Legal ads ran March 14th and 21st.

New Business: Revision of the Coolspring Township Fee Schedule to add fee for Small Stormwater Review of \$300. This is to cover engineer costs. Dale made a motion to revise the fee schedule and Dan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

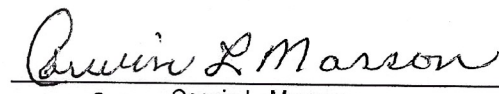
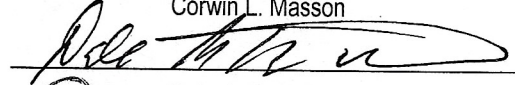
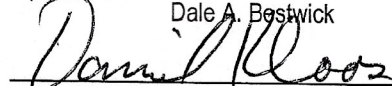
Cory asked for a motion to offer Aflac Insurance. Dale made a motion for Coolspring Township to pay for employee's coverage of the Accident Advantage at \$6.21 per week. Spouse, family or additional coverages are at the expense of the employee. Dan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Having nothing further to discuss, Cory asked for a motion to adjourn. Dan made the motion. Meeting adjourned.

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Corwin L. Masson

Dale A. Bestwick

Daniel Kloos

COOLSPRING TOWNSHIP REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 6, 2024 7:00 PM

Members Present: Corwin Masson, Dale Bestwick, Dan Kloos and Terri Ligo

Others in Attendance: 53 people signed in. This meeting was held in the rental hall.

Meeting was called to order with Opening Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment: As written on the agenda, Cory stated that all public comment must be signed in, come to the front, state their name, direct all comments to the Board of Supervisors and have 2 minutes to speak. The following people came to the front, stated their name and spoke (mostly) to the Supervisors: Shelley Carfolo presented a petition requesting changes to the current zoning ordinance for energy generation facility (solar) asking for additional 150 ft. setback from road or property line, the addition of 500 ft. setback from an existing home or animal housing structure and to add requirements for beautification. Amy Cameron lives across the road from the Miller School Road project and presented a picture with glare from her home office window. She stated that in the Zoning Hearing Board Special Exception Decision number 9 addresses glare and wants to know what will be done about it. Mark McEwen asked about bonding for decommissioning and if the solar companies would be paying the difference of land values from value going down because of solar facility. Norma Struthers spoke about property values going down because of solar facilities, asked do we know the health risks, spoke about noise and wants bigger setbacks. Tracy Gilliland stated she received no correspondence about solar. Seann Carfolo asked what can be done tonight and what is the process to have changes made to the ordinance and what is the process if an application for a solar facility is made tomorrow. Micah Wilpula asked what is solar zoned as in the ordinance and asked that solar not be allowed in Residential Zoning. James McEwen commented on the noise created while it is being built. Rob Myers complained of a sawmill on Rogers Hill Road with large loads of logs being trucked in several times a week, the noise is very loud and log chips pushed onto the neighbor's property. Many in attendance offered comments from their seats but did not come to the front and provide their name.

The Supervisors said they would have the township planning board meet about the items requested in the petition.

Cory asked for a motion to accept the minutes of April 1, 2024 Regular Monthly Meeting as presented. Dan made the motion, seconded by Dale. Motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report was presented:

Balance	March 31, 2024	\$154,244.85
Deposits		31,108.91
Expenses		-37,517.71
Balance	April 30, 2024	\$147,836.05

Cory asked for a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Dale made the motion, seconded by Dan. Report passed unanimously.

Cory asked for a motion to pay the current bills. Dale made the motion, seconded by Dan. Motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence: 3 building/zoning permits for April 2024 for a garage, a deck and a barn.

Old Business: No action taken on old business

New Business: Coolspring Township has allowed non-working supervisors to participate in township-provided group health, life and disability insurance through Trustees Insurance Fund as far back as 1976. Dale made a motion to keep this policy the same as it has been. Cory seconded the motion. Motion passed with 2 votes. Dan abstained from voting on this issue.

Cory asked for a motion to sell the quick attach and the 40" backhoe buckets and purchase a 48" backhoe bucket, Dan made the motion, seconded by Dale. Motion passed unanimously.

Cory asked for a motion to sell the two tractors and purchase one with new boom and mower. Dan made the motion, seconded by Dale. Motion passed unanimously.

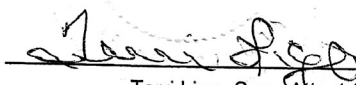
Cory presented a bid of \$11,280 for Sonntag Excavating and Paving labor to pave Coolspring Street. Dan made a motion to accept this bid, seconded by Dale. Motion passed unanimously.

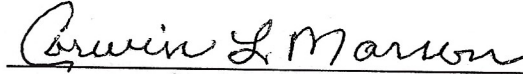
Resolution 2024-02 for auditor compensation raised to \$18 per hour was presented. Dale made a motion to adopt, seconded by Dan. Resolution 2024-02 passed unanimously.

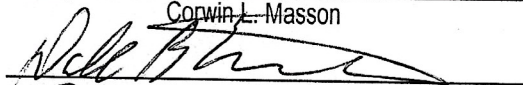
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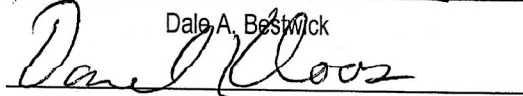
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