

**NEWBERRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**April 23, 2024 @ 6:00 pm**

**Call to order by Chairman Harkins at 6:00 p.m.**

Executive Session was held tonight at 5:00 pm to discuss personnel issues.

**Attendance**

Chairman, Rob Harkins  
Vice-Chairman, Diane Shellenhamer  
Supervisor, Dave Kirkpatrick  
Supervisor, Aaron Schwartz  
Township Manager, Tony Miller  
Solicitor, James Sanders  
Engineer, Bill Rudy  
Public Works Director, Scott Getgen  
Sewer, Brent Zeiders  
Police Chief, Steve Lutz  
Codes and Zoning, Jeremy Eutzy

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Joe Stafford, 40 Sara Drive, reviewed his application to serve on the zoning hearing board and his qualifications.

Brandt Cook, 1850 Red Bank Road, reviewed his qualifications for the zoning heard board vacancy.

Connie Flasher, Eden Drive, reviewed her application and qualifications to serve on the zoning hearing board.

Chairman Harkins thanked them for attending the meeting to introduce themselves. He stated the applications will be reviewed and voted on at the next meeting of who will be appointed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION By Supervisor Kirkpatrick to approve the minutes from March 26, 2024, seconded by Supervisor Schwartz, carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION None

MOTION By Supervisor Kirkpatrick to approve the workshop minutes from April 16, 2024, seconded by Supervisor Schwartz, carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION None

## **LAND DEVELOPMENT/ SUBDIVISION PLAN REVIEW**

### **Approve Land Development Extension for Zenith Construction, Church Road**

MOTION By Supervisor Schwartz to approve the land development extension for Zenith Construction, Church Road, seconded by Chairman Harkins, carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION Engineer, Bill Rudy, stated that it is a time extension for the 90-day time period.

## **REPORTS**

### **Public Safety – Chief Lutz**

Chief Lutz stated since the launch of the keep newberrysafe.com Newberry Township Fire Department has received four new members which were submitted through the website. Goldsboro Fire Department had one person apply as well. York Haven Fire Department will be having a gun raffle with tickets on sale from now until September. Goldsboro Fire Department is having bingo on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Newberrytown Fire Department has bingo on April 26<sup>th</sup>, May 10<sup>th</sup> and May 24<sup>th</sup>.

### **Police Department – Chief Lutz**

The Police Department handled 1,074 calls for the month of March. Chief Lutz addressed an incident that occurred with individuals driving through neighborhoods and propelling large rocks or cinder blocks through residents' vehicles. Within 30 minutes the police force was able to identify the vehicle and subsequent offenders.

### **Solicitor – James Sanders**

James Sanders submitted a report to the board.

### **Engineering –Pennonni Associates**

Bill Rudy submitted a report to the board.

### **Highway –Scott Getgen**

Scott Getgen submitted a report to the board.

### **Zoning – Jeremy Eutzy**

Jeremy Eutzy submitted a report to the board.

**Sewer – Brent Zeiders**

Brent Zeiders submitted a report to the board.

**Township Manager – Tony Miller**

Manager Miller submitted a report to the board.

**Treasurer –Jane Deamer**

Jane Deamer submitted a report to the board.

**Supervisor’s Report**

Nothing to discuss.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Towing Ordinance 425 Revised**

MOTION By Supervisor Kirkpatrick to adopt Towing Ordinance 425 as revised, seconded by Chairman Harkins, carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION None

**Towing Fees Resolution 2024-15**

MOTION By Supervisor Kirkpatrick to adopt the towing fees Resolution 2024-15, seconded by Chairman Harkins, carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION Supervisor Kirkpatrick stated that this Resolution goes along with the Towing Ordinance 425. He explained that the Resolution needs to be approved every year as costs go up or down the fees will change as necessary. Supervisor Kirkpatrick stated the fees must be posted in the towing agencies’ place of business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Approve Promotion of Officer Jesse Bloom to Rank Sergeant**

MOTION By Supervisor Kirkpatrick to approve promotion of Office Jesse Bloom to Rank Sergeant, seconded by Vice Chairman Shellenhamer, carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION Officer Jesse Bloom was sworn in by Chief Lutz and promoted to Sergeant. Sgt. Bloom addressed the community to introduce himself and give his background which led him to being a police officer for Newberry Township for the last 15 years.

**Approve Farm Lease with Rexroth Farms**

MOTION By Supervisor Schwartz to approve farm lease with Rexroth Farms, seconded by Vice Chairman Shellenhamer, carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION Supervisor Schwartz stated it is 15 acres of land off York Haven Road. The township owns the property. This land could potentially become a park for the township. Each year it is leased out to farmers for income to be generated from the use of it. Manager Miller stated that the income goes into the recreation fund.

**Bill Rudy to Address Upcoming Planned Sewer Projects and Study Rate**

MOTION By Chairman Harkins to approve Pennoni to a rate study on the possible sewer rates, seconded by Supervisor Schwartz, carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION Engineer, Bill Rudy, stated at the beginning of 2024 a bi-monthly sewer meeting was started to review capital projects and other sewer issues that the board authorized in 2023. Two of the projects that are currently permitting, and design are UV upgrade at the treatment plant and the Cly Road sewer extension project. The Sewer committee is deciding if there may need to be a raise in rates to pay for the upcoming projects. A rate study is being conducted to determine what the rates may need to be and when they would need to be implemented.

**Resolution 2024-16 to Move Funds from the General Fund Reserve Account to PLGIT Interest Bearing Account**

MOTION By Vice Chairman Shellenhamer to approve Resolution 2024-16 to move funds from the General Fund Reserve account to PLGIT interest bearing account, seconded by Supervisor Kirkpatrick, carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION None

**Approve Multi-Municipal Line Painting Bid for 2024**

MOTION By Chairman Harkins to approve multi-municipal line painting bid for 2024, seconded by Supervisor Schwartz, carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION None

**Approve Fire Tax Credits for NTFD, Susquehanna (York County) FD, and Goldsboro FD. Real Estate and Earned Income**

MOTION By Supervisor Kirkpatrick to approve fire tax credits for NTFD, Susquehanna (York County) FD and Goldsboro FD, seconded by Vice Chairman Shellenhamer, carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION Supervisor Kirkpatrick explains that it is a tax rebate program that goes back to the volunteer fire fighters. It is a State approved program that is being followed.

**Appointment of Jason Seymour to be EMA Coordinator**

MOTION By Vice Chairman Shellenhamer to approve appointment of Jason Seymour to be EMA Coordinator, seconded by Supervisor Kirkpatrick, carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION Jason Seymour introduced himself and spoke about his qualifications.

## PAYMENT OF BILLS

MOTION By Supervisor Kirkpatrick to pay the bills, seconded by Supervisor Schwartz, carried unanimously.


DISCUSSION None

## ADJOURNMENT

MOTION By Supervisor Kirkpatrick to adjourn, seconded by Chairman Harkins, carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION None

Respectfully submitted,



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Tony Miller, Secretary

