

WEISENBERG TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

July 10, 2023

2175 Seipstown Rd, Fogelsville, PA 18051

The Supervisors of Weisenberg Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania held their regularly scheduled meeting at 7:00 pm. Chair-person Linda Gorgas, Vice-Chair Anthony Werley, Richard Bleiler, Manager Brian Carl and Treasurer Jeff Strauss.

Pledge of Allegiance – Chair-person Linda Gorgas opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with the pledge to the Flag.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of the June 12th, 2023 Board of Supervisors Meeting were approved by motion made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler. Motion carried. 3-0

Treasurer's Report – The treasurer's report of June 30, 2023 as well as payment of current invoices presented were approved by motion made by Richard Bleiler, seconded by Anthony Werley. Motion carried. 3-0

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Treasurer Report

June 30, 2023

General Fund Expenses – 6/01/23 – 6/128/23	138,645.65
General Fund Expenses – 6/13/23 – 6/30/23	22,063.74
State Fund Expenses – 6/12/233	21,725.99
Equipment Fund Expenses –6/12/23	0.00
Fire Fund Expenses – 6/12/23	755.36

Balance as 6/30/2023

General Fund Checking	1,185,002.31
General Fund CD	2,036,122.21
General Fund CD	1,500,000.00
State Fund Checking	-0-
State Fund Money Market	201,222.11
Equipment Fund Money Market	105,416.05
Equipment Fund Money Market CD	150,000.00
Arcadia Industrial Park Signalization Repair Fund	5,632.80
Arcadia Industrial Park Signalization Repair Fund CD	85,000.00
Hillwood Signalization	32,691.21
Recreational Fund	80,188.08
Fire Tax Fund	281,085.66
Fire Tax – CD	509,030.55
Capital Projects Fund	12,791.16
Capital Projects Fund CD	300,000.00
Conservation District Fund	83,031.41
Open Space Money Market Fund	7,728.08
Yard Waste Money Market Fund	4,769.83
Yard Waste Money Market Fund CD	260,000.00
Hailey Ct Homeowners Fund	12,144.78
Hailey Ct Homeowners Fund CD	25,000.00
COVID Money	363,089.75
TOTAL ASSETS	7,240,945.99

VISA Account Reconciliation – Brian

Beginning Balance				2,490.97
Payments				(2,490.97)
Purchases	1&1 Internet	Internet Email	45.89	
	Zoom	Monthly Fee	15.99	
	Amazon	Fire Extinguishers	169.98	
	Lathem Time	Monthly Time Clock	39.00	
	Microsoft Office	Monthly Fee	17.50	
	Lowe's	Reimbursed by NW Rec	11.67	
	USPS	Postage	7.50	
	<u>Edible Arrangement</u>	<u>Sympathy</u>	<u>84.98</u>	
				<u>392.52</u>
Ending Balance				<u><u>392.52</u></u>

VISA Account Reconciliation – Tony

Beginning Balance		760.88
Payments		(760.88)
Purchases		
		<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance		<u><u>0.00</u></u>

Subdivisions & Land Development

None

Old Business

SALDO/Stormwater Ordinance Amendment – Final Review

Final revisions of the new Stormwater Ordinance were reviewed. LVPC's comments were received. Motion was made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler to approve the advertisement for the revised Stormwater Ordinance changes. Motion carried. 3-0

Final revisions of the amendments to SALDO were reviewed. Major changes include the removal of flag lots and adding the requirement of test wells for major subdivisions. The Township Planning Commission and LVPC have reviewed the amendments.

Motion was made by Linda Gorgas, seconded by Anthony Werley to approve the advertisement for the revised SALDO changes. Motion carried 3-0

Adding to AG Security Area – Kyle Henninger & Beth Kramer – 1454 Kern Road (18.788 acres)

Resolution #23- 14 accepting the addition of 18.788 acres into the Township's existing Agricultural Security Area for Kyle Henninger and Beth Kramer was adopted by motion made by Richard Bleiler, seconded by Anthony Werley. Motion carried. 3-0

New Business

Draft – Ordinance – Adopting/Restating the Weisenberg Township Employee Pension Plan

The proposed ordinance will adopt the same items listed in Resolution # 22-7.

Motion made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler to approve the advertisement to restate the Weisenberg Township Employee Pension Plan. Motion carried. 3-0

Public Comment

Pasquale Russo (1745 Timothy Court) and Mike Fischer (10209 Walbert Court) discussed with the Board their concerns with speeding on Siegfriedale Road. Brian stated that he researched the speed cameras brought up at the previous meeting. Speed cameras for ticketing purposes are not permitted unless they are in an active work zone area approved by state legislation. Tony Werley stated that line painting will begin tomorrow and he will have A-1 Traffic paint the white lines on Siegfriedale Road in order to define the travel lanes and hopefully slow traffic down. Siegfriedale Road is already posted at 25mph. Brian Carl will contact our State Representatives regarding legislation to allow speed cameras on our roads.

Weisenberg Volunteer Fire Department Comments

Brian Carl, Deputy Fire Chief, informed the Board that they had 131 calls so far for 2023. He reviewed Fire Chief, Matt Krapf's comment letter dated 7/10/2023 regarding the activity of the fire department and their members.

EAC Comments

Marty Rakaczewski informed the Board that they will be working with the supporters at the Fire Department event on July 14th. He received several items for the raffle from Amazon. A new member will be joining the EAC – Amy Harrington. A member of the EAC passed way recently so they are considering installing a bench along the walking trail to honor his service.

Roadmaster's Comments

Anthony Werley stated they are on the second round of shoulder mowing, the crew attended a flagger training class at Lowhill Township, hauled blacktop for Heidelberg Twp for their paving project, completed the oil & chipping on our roads and completed sweeping. Line painting will start tomorrow weather permitting. They also assisted Lynn Township with their oil and chipping and fixed our dirt roads due to the heavy rainfall we've been having.

Engineer's Comments - None

Attorney's Comments – None

Treasurer's Comments

Jeff Strauss thanked the Board for the sympathy basket that was sent to him for his mother's passing. Discussion was held about maturing CDs and the amount of funds needed to remain available for upcoming projects versus what could be reinvested into other CDs.

Supervisor's Comments

Richard Bleiler stated that the Northwestern Rec Committee is moving forward with the new skate park and pickle ball courts.

Township Manager's Comments

Salt Shed – Updates & Colors

Discussion was held regarding the colors of the salt shed and future maintenance building addition due to the size of the structures. The current buildings are blue and white. Brian expressed concerns that the new buildings will really stand out in the neighborhood. It was decided that the colors for the new salt shed will be in the earth tone family. Brian gave a brief update on where we are with the project.

Kramer ZHB Application

An application was received by Lance Kramer regarding the pole building that does not meet the setbacks on Helfrich Road.

Lehigh County COG Mtg. update – upcoming 911 System upgrades

Lehigh County is looking to upgrade the 911 system at a cost of 50+ million dollars in 2025. This will require all fire departments and EMS providers to purchase new radios for all apparatus and fire fighters. The cost of this could be around 200K for Weisenberg Township.

Executive Session – None

Chairperson, Linda Gorgas adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian C. Carl, Township Manager