

September 12, 2022

The Supervisors of Weisenberg Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania held their regularly scheduled meeting at 7:00 p.m. in person and on ZOOM due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Chairperson Linda Gorgas opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America. Anthony Werley, Richard Bleiler, Brian Carl, Jeffrey Strauss, Peter Lehr and Stan Wojciechowski also attended.

The meeting was advertised & conducted in accordance with Act 15. Roll call was conducted on all members and staff.

Minutes of the August 8, 2022 Board of Supervisors meeting were approved by motion of Anthony Werley seconded by Richard Bleiler. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report of August 31, 2022 as well as payment of current invoices presented was approved by motion of Richard Bleiler seconded by Anthony Werley. Motion carried.

Weisenberg Township Treasurer Report August 31, 2022

General Fund Expenses	8/01/22 – 8/08/22	184,525.30
General Fund Expenses	8/12/22 – 8/31/22	21,222.23
State Fund Expenses	8/11/2022	-0-
Equipment Fund Expenses	8/11/2022	-0-
Fire Fund Expenses	8/11/2022	4,751.52
		<u>Balance as 8/31/2022</u>
General Fund Checking		4,186,921.03
State Fund Checking		-0-
State Fund Money Market		7,136.56
Equipment Fund Money Market		201,825.65
Arcadia Industrial Park Signalization Fund		92,927.86
Hillwood Signalization		32,479.80
Recreation Fund		66,679.36
Fire Tax Fund		547,488.02
Capital Projects Fund		318,638.38
Conservation District Fund		82,494.45
Open Space Money Market Fund		12,887.30
Yard Waste Money Market Fund		263,814.30
COVID Money		<u>83,510.91</u>
	Total Assets	5,889,803.39

VISA Account Reconciliation – Brian

Beginning Balance 539.86
Payments (539.86)

Purchases	1&1	Internet email	32.71
	Event Brite	Mosquitoes & Weeds	84.00
	Lowes	Radar Trailer	102.68
	Home Depot	Office Supplies	20.25
	Milsons Notary	Radar Trailer	35.00
	PSATS	Minute Book	140.00
	Lathem Time	Monthly Time Clock	39.00
	Zoom	Monthly Fee	14.99
	Responsible Recycling		775.00
	Harbor Freight		<u>75.21</u>
			\$ 1,318.84

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VISA Account Reconciliation – Tony

Beginning Balance 160.00
Payments (160.00)

Purchases

0.00

Ending Balance

0.00

SUBDIVISIONS & LAND DEVELOPMENT:

Kerr Lot Line Consolidation – 7622 Holbens Valley Road

Stan stated that the applicant owns all 3 properties and he wishes to combine all three to one lot. There is also a very short section of Shady Court that extends into his property. The Township and Mr. Kerr agree to vacate this section of Shady Court. Peter Lehr will draw up an agreement to vacate this section of Shady Court. The fee for this agreement will be billed to Mr. Kerr's escrow account. Richard Bleiler made a motion, seconded by Anthony Werley to approve the Lot Consolidation conditionally upon the Engineer's comment letter dated August 24, 2022 and to vacate the section of Shady Court on Mr. Kerr's property. Motion carried.

Jeffrey Bittner 2 Lot Subdivision – Sewer Planning Module

Brian addressed the Board stating that they weren't ready to come in front of them yet but wanted to get the sewer planning module moving forward since it is taking longer to get DEP approvals. Chris Noll reviewed and approved the module. Stan stated that his comments were very minimal so he anticipates the applicant to come in shortly with cleaned up plans. Anthony Werley made a motion, seconded by Richard Bleiler to approve the sewer planning module based on Chris Noll's approval of the module. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Commercial Fire Inspection Ordinance

Peter Lehr addressed the Board stating that there was additional edits on the Ordinance and would like further review with his office staff and Brian. Additionally he would also like to establish fees that would be in line with this Ordinance. This will be continued until next month.

NEW BUSINESS:

Revised Storm Water Management Ordinance

Stan stated as part of the NPDES permit for our MS4 they require the Township to adopt an ordinance that is consistent with the 2022 DEP model ordinance. The Township has (4) separate storm water management ordinances each representing the 4 watersheds. They are proposing one ordinance that covers all 4 watersheds. They will have the draft ordinance completed and ready for advertising by October.

Update Un-improved Road Fee Resolution

Resolution #22-9 was adopted by motion made by Richard Bleiler, seconded by Anthony Werley to approve a new fee schedule for un-improved road fees. Motion carried.

2006 F-550 Truck Sale

Anthony Werley made a motion, seconded by Richard Bleiler to approve the sale of the 2006 F-550 truck that was listed on MunicBid for the bid price of \$8100.00 and if that falls through to accept the second bid price of \$8,000.00. Motion carried.

Lowhill Office Staff

Motion was made by Linda Gorgas, seconded by Richard Bleiler to approve Lowhill's Township secretary Jill Seymour to come over to Weisenberg Township so that she can learn how to preform permit applications, planning and zoning applications and all other duties necessary to track activity within Lowhill Township. Motion carried.

Resolution #22-10 – Radar Trailer Grant Application

Anthony Werley made a motion, seconded by Richard Bleiler to approve a grant application for the purchase of a radar trailer. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mike Fischer (10209 Walbert Court) addressed the Board with a speeding complaint on Siegfriedale Road. He suggested traffic camera's placed on poles in order to ticket speeding violators. It's not a moving violation it is just a fine to the registered owner of the car.

WEISENBERG VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS:

Matt Krapf, Fire Chief, informed the Board that they had 110 calls so far in 2022. A hoagie fundraiser will run until September 27th with a pick-up date of September 16th, 2022. He reviewed his comment letter dated 9/12/2022 regarding the activity of the fire department and their members.

EAC COMMENTS:

Marty would like to take an EAC class at the Haverford Community and Environmental Center for the cost of \$65.00. This was approved by the Board.

ROAD MASTER'S COMMENTS:

Anthony Werley informed the Board that they are on the 2nd round of grass cutting within the Township. The Masters Hill Road paving project is completed and is no longer a dirt road. They are currently working in Lowhill Township on a paving project that they have. They will be working on additional parking spaces on Bachelor Road Park and then they are going to be working on our walking trail at the baseball field.

ENGINEER'S COMMENTS:

Stan Wojciechowski stated that he followed up with the nitrates testing information. There is a condition that if there is a large amount of nitrates in the water it could become a health and safety issue. We could implement this through SALDO requirements with water/well testing similar to the Greenwich Township.

ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS:

Peter Lehr addressed the Board with a sample resolution (Act 57) regarding waivers on certain penalties for new home purchasers who didn't receive tax bills addressed to them. This is a state law and must be passed by January 11th, 2023. Jeff Strauss stated that he also received a copy of the resolution from the school district. This draft resolution will be sent to Peter for review so that he can edit it to fit Weisenberg Township. He also informed the Board that round table breakfast discussion regarding warehouses development in Lehigh County and Berks County on September 22nd from 7:45am-10am is being held in their offices. Brian Carl will be attending.

TREASURER'S COMMENTS:

Jeff Strauss informed the Board that he was solicited by another Bank. (People's Security Bank). The Board does not wish to switch to another banking facility. Greg Epler from Hailey Court is now currently late on his sewer bill and incurred a late fee. Jeff stated he dials into the office computer with dial in internet. Brian will look into faster internet service for the office building.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

Anthony Werley stated the Historical Society will hold their Flea Market this weekend. Richard Bleiler stated that the Veteran's Memorial is now shifting into maintenance mode. They are looking for the balance of in-kind services equal to 15K. Anthony Werley made a motion, seconded by Richard Bleiler to give the balance of the pledged in-kind services to the Veteran's Memorial (approximately \$5152.00). Motion carried. The cost of adding names to the monuments are costly. The Memorial committee is working on calculating an annual maintenance fund to be split between the municipalities. Night in the Country was well attended and it was a successful event. Discussion was held regarding the traffic congestion at 863 and I-78. Brian explained the timing and the ramp light times to keep traffic flowing. He did state that the loops aren't right yet. The ramp signals are set at the minimum settings. This generally is congested because the warehouses let out at the same times and it is a volume issue.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER' COMMENTS:Update – Waste Management Fees

Waste Management has responded and committed to the .20¢ per ton of inbound solid waste delivered by third party haulers to the New Smithville Transfer Station. The agreement was signed and a check should be forthcoming.

Update – C. Lick Junkyard

Brian reported that he visited the junkyard to verify that the tires are all gone. They now keep a trailer there for future tires.

Act 4 – Preserved Farm Tax Break

Discussion was held regarding the participation in the Act 4 program which forever gives preserved farms a break in taxes. The Board decided to see what the school is going to do since all 3 governing bodies have to adopt into it in order for this to be implemented.

With no further business, Linda Gorgas adjourned the meeting at 8:49 pm for the payment of invoices presented and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian C. Carl, Township Manager