

WEISENBERG TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

January 9, 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, Supervisor Richard Bleiler, Manager Brian Carl & Treasurer Jeff Strauss were present.

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 December 27, 2022 Close-out Meeting and the January 3, 2023 Reorganizational 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 December 31, 2022 as well as payment of current invoices presented were approved by motion made by Richard Bleiler, seconded by Anthony Werley. Motion carried. 3-0

**Weisenberg Township
Treasurer Report
December 31, 2022**

General Fund Expenses – 12/01/22 – 12/12/22	174,845.11
General Fund Expenses – 12/13/22 – 12/31/22	108,289.74
State Fund Expenses – December 2022	0.00
Fire Fund Expenses – 12/12/2022	3,786.09
Equipment Fund Expenses – December	0.00

Balance as 12/31/2022

General Fund Checking	2,110,751.16
General Fund CD	2,000,000.00
State Fund Checking	-0-
State Fund Money Market	579.68
Equipment Fund Money Market	158,909.64
Arcadia Industrial Park Signalization Repair Fund	92,202.78
Hillwood Signalization	32,553.53
Recreational Fund	77,352.16
Fire Tax Fund	40,667.75
Fire Tax – CD	500,000.00
Capital Projects Fund	312,448.60
Conservation District Fund	82,681.72
Open Space Money Market Fund	12,916.33
Yard Waste Money Market Fund	264,500.17
Hailey Ct Homeowners Fund	35,732.20
COVID Money	<u>316,381.96</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	6,082,677.68

VISA Account Reconciliation – Brian

Beginning Balance	143.30	
Payments	(143.30)	
Purchases		
Lathem Time	Monthly Fee	39.00
Zoom	Monthly Fee	14.99

1&1 -Internet Email	32.71	
Treetop Products Rec. Commission	287.49	
To be reimbursed		<u>374.19</u>

Ending Balance 374.19

VISA Account Reconciliation – Tony

Beginning Balance 406.14

Payments (406.14)

Purchases

0.00

Ending Balance 0.00

Gary Kuntz – New Tripoli Fire Company Chief

Fire Chief Kuntz addressed the Board with his sincere appreciation to the Weisenberg Volunteer Fire Department, Road Crew Members, Weisenberg Township staff and Supervisors for their support during the funerals of fallen fire fighters Marvin Gruber and Zachary Paris.

Subdivisions & Land Development – None

Old Business – None

New Business:

Renewal granting a license to operate a junkyard for the period of (1) year.

(Walbert Contracting, Inc. @ 10176 Schoolhouse Road, Breiningsville PA)

Motion made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler to approve the junkyard license for a period of 1 year. Motion carried. 3-0

Renewal granting a license to operate a junkyard for the period of 1 year.

(C. Lick Jr. Salvage, Inc. @ 9575 Old Rt. 22, Fogelsville PA)

Motion made by Richard Bleier, seconded by Anthony Werley to approve the junkyard license for a period of 3 months in order to clean up mud and tires at the facility. Motion carried. 3-0

Adding to AG Security Area – Kyle & Beth Henninger – 10375 Snyder Road (18.788 acres) Motion made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler to accept the application to be added to the AG Security area for Weisenberg Township. Motion carried. 3-0

Resolution # 23-2 – The Destruction of Certain Documents being held by the Township Tax Collector was approved by motion made by Richard Bleiler, seconded by Anthony Werley. Motion carried. 3-0

Part-Time / as needed office employee

A motion was made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler to approve Bill Buss as a Part-Time / as needed office employee. Motion carried. 3-0

Hailey Court – Sewer Rates

Discussion was held regarding maintenance cost of the system. Motion made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler to increase the Hailey Court community sewage rates to \$5.50 per 1,000 gallons effective 1/1/2023. Motion carried. 3-0

Mangold Farmland Preservation – Township Contribution

This was previously approved by the Board of Supervisors. The Township's portion to preserve the Mangold Farm is \$5,222.00. (\$200.00 per acre over the County/State cap of \$6,000.00)

Public Comment:

Phil Armstrong (Lehigh County Executive) was in attendance for his annual visit and provided an update with what is happening in the County. He introduced a new staff member (community liaison – Yorman De La Rosa) who is here to help with the communication between the municipalities, residents, and the County.

Weisenberg Volunteer Fire Department Comments:

Matt Krapf, Fire Chief, informed the Board that they had 8 calls so far for 2023. He reviewed his comment letter dated 1/9/2023 regarding the activity of the fire department and their members. He also enclosed the 2022 year end emergency call and response summary report for the Supervisors to review.

EAC Comments:

Marty Rakaczewski informed the Board that Amazon would like to get involved in events throughout the year. Marty will get in touch with Brian to set up an EAC Planning meeting so coordinate activities they would like to do in 2023.

Roadmaster's Comments:

Anthony Werley stated that they are brush trimming, fixing some guide rails and filling in holes on dirt roads. Speed signs were installed on Siegfriedale Road and they are also doing winter maintenance.

Engineer's Comments – None

Attorney's Comments -None

Treasurer's Comments:

Jeff Strauss discussed with the Board several options moving funds from our Capital Projects Fund, Yard Waste Money Market Fund, Signalization Repair Fund, Hailey Court Fund and COVID Money into 6 months CD's at a rate of 4.07% APY. Short-term expenses were discussed and the Board agreed to move the money into the CDs.

Supervisor's Comments:

Anthony Werley stated that he will attend a Historical Society meeting tomorrow night. Richard Bleiler shared with the Board that several names will be added to the Veterans Memorial @ Ontelaunee Park.

Township Manager's Comments:

Brian Carl stated that the PSATS convention registration will be done tomorrow morning. He received a complaint on Run Road regarding speeding and will be performing a speed study to determine the safe speed. Brian will be in touch with the members of the newly adopted comprehensive plan to move forward with the zoning updates. Thank you letters were received from Cetrionia Ambulance Corp and the Lowhill Food Pantry. He also stated that the pavilion at the Weisenberg Fields is under construction.

Executive Session – None

Chairperson, Linda Gorgas adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian C. Carl, Township Manager