

**EAST HANOVER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES
October 3, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Leese called the Tuesday, October 3, 2023, Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order at 7:10 PM in the meeting room of the Township, 8848 Jonestown Road, Grantville, PA followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. An Executive Session was held tonight beginning at 6:30 PM until 7:05 PM to discuss potential and active litigation.

Chairman Leese stated that the meetings are audio taped. The tapes are strictly for the use of the Recording Secretary for clarification during preparation of the minutes. The Public Guidelines of Decorum require all individuals wishing to make public comments do so at the microphone and state their name and address.

IN ATTENDANCE:

SUPERVISORS:

Chad Leese, Chairman
Rebecca Oller, Vice-Chairperson
Tina Hastie
Mike Yingling

ALSO PRESENT:

Nicholas Yingst, Township Manager
E. Lee Stinnett, II, Township Solicitor-Salzman Hughes
Bryan Ziegler, Public Works Director
Sharon Umberger, Recording Secretary

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

Mr. Yingling made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from September 19, 2023. Mrs. Hastie seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

TREASURER'S REPORT

	Invoices due and paid 09/19/23-09/27/23	09/27/23 Invoices for Consideration on 10/03/23
General Fund	\$ 93,022.03	\$ 42,533.90
Fire Fund	\$ 0	\$ 0
Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 0	\$ 644.41
Street Light Fund	\$ 0	\$ 0
Stormwater Fund	\$ 0	\$ 133,360.67
Total	\$ 93,022.03	\$ 176,538.98
Total Checks Written	09/19/23-10/03/23	\$ 269,561.01

- a. Mr. Yingling made a motion to approve the payment of the bills as presented through October 3, 2023. Mrs. Hastie seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

CORRESPONDENCE: The Township received a fee schedule for 2024 from its Sewage Enforcement Officer (SEO) Brian S. McFeaters.

REPORTS:

Public Works Report- Mr. Ziegler provided a written report. He received a letter from a Township resident requesting an Autistic Child at Play sign for her street. There was a **consensus of the Board to approve the purchase and installation of such a sign on Old Laudermilch Road.** A two-way radio arrived for the street sweeper after waiting for it a year. Mr. Ziegler was recently contacted regarding a high-pressure independent paving contractor doing work in this area and encouraged the public to get quotes and refrain from deciding on projects on a moment's notice. A contract or quote may prevent price changes after the work has been completed.

Manager's Report- Mr. Yingst provided a written report. This month his primary focus was working with staff to prepare and finalize the 2024 draft budget. The 2024 draft budget was provided to the Supervisors and Department Heads on September 28th. The 2024 Budget Workshop meeting is scheduled for next Wednesday, October 11th at 6 PM at the Public Works Building. The cyber insurance policy approved by the Board at its last meeting was put into effect September 20th.

Solicitor's Report- Solicitor Stinnett had no stand-alone report.

GVFC- Chief Saul Schmoltz provided written reports. He gave an update on the current rescue engine repairs. Chief Schmoltz received two requests for the use of GVFC Fire Police outside of the Township and requested Board approval which will be covered later on the agenda. Mrs. Oller commented on the number of GVFC activities attended or coordinated during the year. Spaghetti Supper, BBQ's, Fire Prevention talks at schools, Open House, NNO, Yard Sales, delivering Easter Bunny and Santa to the Township, just to name a few of these activities. Mrs. Hastie inquired whether there is any discussion or planning for a carnival next year. Chief Schmoltz could not give an answer to a future carnival but would take the request to the GVFC Executive Board. Mrs. Oller requested storage in the Township Building to store GVFC items that are out in the weather at the carnival grounds, which led to the question of what is stored at the fire company pole barn. Mr. Ziegler offered his Public Works staff time to organize the pole barn for about four days as a winter project. The **consensus of the Board was 1) a GVFC Trustee must be present during the reorganization process and to give directions regarding eliminating any items and 2) to authorize Public Works staff time but any expenses such as materials purchased to build shelves or other organizing items will be approved and paid by the fire company.** Chairman Leese asked about the status of the GVFC Fund Drive mailing, and Chief Schmoltz is to follow-up with their vendor to find out mailing dates. Mr. Yingling questioned whether there were discussions about GVFC building needs, but all was put on hold until the draft of the MOU is received.

Fort Indiantown Gap- No report was provided.

South Central Emergency Medical Services (EMS)- A written report was provided by SCEMS for August.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Proposed Ordinance establishing a 35 mile per hour speed limit on Ridge Road

The public notice and ordinance were posted at the Township building and on the Township website on September 14th and was advertised in *The Hummelstown Sun* on September 21st.

Mr. Yingling made a **motion adopting Ordinance No. 2023-04 establishing a 35 MPH speed limit on Ridge Road as advertised.** Mrs. Hastie seconded. **Motion carried 4-0.**

Proposal for preparing Bow Creek Road right-of-way documentation

Mr. Yingst had no updates at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

Proposed resolution appointing an independent auditor for 2023 audit services

Mrs. Hastie made a motion to authorize a one-year extension for 2023 auditing services with Boyer & Ritter LLC at a cost of \$12,600 with Resolution No. 2023-15. Mr. Yingling seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Authorizing Solicitor to approve tax appeal settlement for BNG Associates

Mr. Yingling made a motion authorizing the Township Solicitor to approve the proposed tax appeal settlement for BNG Associates. Mrs. Hastie seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Application for exemption from the current pumping cycle for 541 North Mill Road, Harrisburg

Mr. Yingling made a motion to grant the exemption from the current pumping cycle for 541 North Mill Road, Harrisburg, per the application provided. Mrs. Hastie seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Playground project change order for fencing

Mr. Yingst provided a Change Order for Gundy Excavating & Paving to install fencing around the new playground and to complete landscape improvements under the fencing. A 48" aluminum fence would be installed around the playground outside the timber edging, from in front of the handicapped parking spaces, around the north, west and south sides of the playground. The landscape improvements will be a 4" stone base under the fencing for drainage with geotextile fabric and 4" of certified playground mulch on top to ease maintenance and mowing outside the fence. The Community Park Redevelopment Project, even with this added expense, will be under budget for the overall project costs and approximately 90% of the fencing cost will be covered by grant funding.

Mrs. Oller made a motion to approve Change Order #2 to Gundy Excavating & Paving Inc. for \$18,955 to install fencing around the Community Park Playground and landscape improvements. Mrs. Hastie seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

AMENDED AGENDA ITEM:

Mrs. Hastie made a motion to amend the agenda under New Business to authorize GVFC Fire Police to assist with events outside of East Hanover Township. Mr. Yingling seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Authorizing GVFC Fire Police outside of East Hanover Township

Mrs. Oller made a motion to authorize GVFC Fire Police to attend two events outside of East Hanover Township 1) October 24th at Paxtang Lions Club Halloween Parade and 2) November 5th at Fort Indiantown Gap National Cemetery Memorial Council to help with parking assistance. Mr. Yingling second. Motion carried 4-0.

BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Richard Shirk-125 Shirks Lane-He asked whether the Board had resolved its issue with street address and the entrance of the Township building. Mr. Yingst shared that the electronic sign now provides the Township address and directions to the Manada Gap Road entrance.

BUSINESS FROM THE SUPERVISORS:

Mrs. Hastie- She thanked Mr. Shirk and his family for adding their property to the Farmland Preservation Program.

Mrs. Oller- She attended and enjoyed the VFW Auxiliary 75th Anniversary Open House and the flag retirement, luncheon, and celebration. Mrs. Oller asked about the Hollywood Casino Night Light Lantern Festival event and Chief Schmoltz said

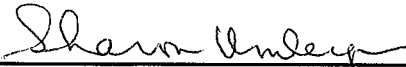
that GVFC members will not assist with parking due to conflicting commitments. He also noted that he does not have any safety concerns regarding the event.

Mr. Yingling- Thanked staff for their hard work.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Hastie made a **motion to adjourn**, seconded by Mrs. Oller. **The meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon Umberger, Recording Secretary