

**EAST HANOVER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES
November 8, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Leese called the Wednesday, November 8, 2023, Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order at 7:12 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 7:10 PM to discuss personnel and real estate matters, and 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
Kyler Shea

ALSO PRESENT:

Nicholas Yingst, Township Manager
Isaac Wakefield, Township Solicitor-Salzman Hughes
Bryan Ziegler, Public Works Director
Sharon Umberger, Recording Secretary

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 11, 2023 AND OCTOBER 17, 2023:

Mrs. Hastie made a motion to approve the Board of Supervisors special budget workshop meeting minutes from October 11, 2023. Mr. Shea seconded. Motion carried 4-0-1. Mr. Yingling abstained since he did not attend the meeting. Mrs. Hastie made a motion to approve the Board of Supervisors regular meeting minutes for October 17, 2023. Chairman Leese seconded. Motion carried 3-0-2. Mr. Yingling and Mr. Shea both abstained since they did not attend the meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

	Invoices due and paid 10/18/23-10/31/23	10/31/23 Invoices for Consideration on 11/08/23
General Fund	\$ 62,897.51	\$ 94,860.37
Fire Fund	\$ 748.27	\$ 47.74
Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 280.58	\$ 920.00
Street Light Fund	\$ 0	\$ 167.28
Stormwater Fund	\$ 0	\$ 11,663.68
Total	\$ 63,926.36	\$ 107,659.07
Total Checks Written	10/18/23-11/08/23	\$ 171,585.43

- a) Mrs. Hastie made a **motion to approve the payment of the bills as presented through November 8, 2023.** Mrs. Oller seconded. **Motion carried 5-0.**
- b) Mr. Yingling made a **motion to authorize transfer of \$183,825 from JBT Grant Checking Account into the PLGIT General Fund Account.** Mrs. Hastie seconded. **Motion carried 5-0.**

CORRESPONDENCE: Available for review on the table at the entrance of the meeting room.

The Township received formal notification from Buse Funeral Home that an application was submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) Air Quality Program for Plan Approval to replace an Air Contamination Source. (replacement cremator). Municipal notification is required with a 30-day comment period.

REPORTS:

Public Works Report- Mr. Ziegler provided a written report. The Public Works crew reconstructed the entrance to the Nature Park so emergency equipment can enter without hitting the underside of the vehicle. Correspondence was received from a resident requesting that the Township review excessive vehicle speeds on South Mill Road from Allentown Boulevard to Carlson Road. There is no speed limit posted, so the speed limit is 55 mph. Supervisors agreed that Mr. Ziegler should proceed with a speed study for that area of road.

Manager's Report- Mr. Yingst provided a written report. He prepared and presented for public review the proposed 2024 budget based on the changes made by the Board of Supervisors. The budget was made available to the public at the Township Building and on the Township website on October 31 and the required public notice ran on November 2 in *The Hummelstown Sun*. A public hearing before the Dauphin County Gaming Advisory Board will be held on November 13 and Mr. Yingst began working on the presentation of the Township's 2023-2024 application. Renewal information for the Township's insurance package has been reviewed, updated, and submitted. Insurance coverage recommendations are expected for the first BOS meeting in December.

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

GVFC- Chief Saul Schmoltz provided written reports. He shared that Grant Garland is recuperating at home after his recent surgery. The annual GVFC spaghetti dinner is this Friday at the Township Building. The fire company board is reviewing different grants with Scott Ryno, potentially a \$15,000 grant for additional tools. During Fire Prevention Week, a 3-day program was held at EHES, with programs at the fire station. Fifth grade students at the EHES were shown how to use fire extinguishers. Mrs. Oller shared statistics from the GVFC reports from Jan 1-Sept 30, 2023, there were 197 incidents with an average of 7.4 people attending along with 691 training hours. Chief Schmoltz stated that there has been an increase in structure fires in the Township.

Fort Indiantown Gap-The West Access Control Point (ACP) Main Gate became operational after a dedication ceremony on November 1. There will be no through traffic permitted on Fisher, Clement or Asher-Miner Roads. East Access Control Point (ACP) has an estimated completion date of August 2025, and the Marquette Lake Dam Rehabilitation has an estimated completion date of April 2026.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Creekvale Phase VI Land Development Plan financial security adjustment recommendation

On October 11, 2023, the BOS authorized HRG to perform an inspection of the Creekvale Phase VI site, pursuant to the developer's request for a financial security reduction to \$29,992. HRG is recommending a financial security adjustment to \$34,445.

Mrs. Hastie made a motion reducing the Creekvale Phase VI Land Development Plan financial security to \$34,445 per HRG inspection and recommendation. Mr. Shea seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Quarterly newsletter review and approval

Mr. Yingling made a motion to approve the submission of the Winter 2023-2024 Township Newsletter to Art Communication Systems, Inc. for printing and distribution. Mrs. Oller seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Proposal for Township Engineer to complete an application for Statewide Local Share Account Grant funds

Mrs. Hastie made a motion approving the proposal from HRG to develop, submit, and provide support for an application for Statewide Local Share Account Grant funds for infrastructure improvements in the Village of Grantville in a lump sum amount of \$4,800. Mr. Shea seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

BUSINESS FROM THE SUPERVISORS:

Mrs. Oller- Congratulated Chairman Leese and Keith Espenshade for being elected to new 6 year terms as Township Supervisors beginning January 2, 2024. She shared two items being considered by legislators that may interest the public. The first item would amend the Municipalities Planning Code to require developers to post signage along the external road frontage of a proposed subdivision or land development with a description of the project. The second would provide workers' compensation coverage for post-traumatic stress injuries to first responders, including professional and volunteer firefighters, members of a volunteer ambulance company, and police officers. In her opinion, the Spooktacular event coordinated by members of Park & Rec and the GVFC was spectacular with 300+ people attending the event. The GVFC Fall Outdoor Yard Sale raised \$1,000. At a recent GVFC meeting, the membership voted to discontinue the GVFC Carnival.


Mr. Yingling- He filed a Right-To-Know (RTK) request close to 1 year ago regarding the gaming funds received by the State. At Mr. Yingling's suggestion, the response to the RTK request is attached to and made part of the meeting minutes.

Mr. Shea- He shared that as of November 1 there is no through traffic beyond the FTIG West Access Control Point (ACP).

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Hastie made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Oller. The meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon Umberger, Recording Secretary