#### TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP BUILDING Meeting Minutes November 2, 2023, 7:00pm

#### CALL TO ORDER – 7:00pm

#### Executive Session for Litigation at 6:30 pm before meeting

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ROLL CALL

Guy Seifert, Chairperson; John Kleintop, Vice-Chairman/Treasurer; Scott Mosier-Supervisor; Thomas Nanovic, Solicitor; Jessica Ahner, Secretary; Carl Faust, Zoning Officer; Greg Haas, Engineer

Jessica Ahner recording

#### **APPROVAL OF REPORTS:**

Towamensing Township Meeting Minutes October 5, 2023 Board of Supervisors Meeting-Motion – Scott, 2nd-John - All in favor- Motion Carried

Bill List and Payroll from October 3, 2023 – October 31, 2023- Motion-Scott 2nd-John - All in favor- Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report as of October 31, 2023- Motion- Scott, 2nd-John - All in favor- Motion Carried

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - 5 MINUTE LIMIT:** Please sign the book if you would like to address the Board. None

#### PLANS & SUBDIVISION

Jeffrey Ruch Estate - 105 E Ruch Dr - Signing of Plans, they were already approved

**<u>Bill and Katheen Merkel</u>** – 1445 Station St -Planning commission recommended conditional approval of plan all comments were satisfied except for Surveyor signature and owners statement signature. The plan submitted was a 30" x 42" plan and was recommended by planning accept waiver. Guy made motion to accept size of plan and John  $2^{nd}$ . AIF Motion Carried. Guy made motion for conditional approval Based on appropriate signatures, financial requirements, survey statement, waiver approval will note November  $2^{nd}$  2023 and owner certification. John  $2^{nd}$  – AIF – Motion Carried

<u>Gary & Nadine Kleintop</u> – 1915 Summer Mountain Rd –Discussion about Sewage Planning module. John made motion to approve Sewage Planning module Guy  $2^{nd}$  AIF – Motion Carried

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

Fire Company Loan Agreement – Agreement was given to Assistant Fire Chief for review.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Decision letter for Sunrise Lehighton Group** - Guy made motion to approve as written. John  $2^{nd}$  – AIF – Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Guy to approve Library letter to be inserted with garbage bill. John  $2^{nd}$  – AIF – Motion Carried

**Discussion of Garbage Billing for 2024** – Non profit Social Club and Church the rates will stay the same, Commercial Garbage will have a slight increase based on yards of dumpster and will increase \$.25/yd, Residential rates will go up to \$30 for the year, equating to \$285 family, \$210 Senior couple, \$190 Senior Single, 100% Disabled Veterans & Active-Duty Military. Trying to stay ahead of fee from landfills. John made motion to increase 2024 Commercial garbage by \$.25 per yard and Residential for 2024 by \$30 per year based on classification of residency. Scott 2<sup>nd</sup> – AIF, Motion Carried

Holidays for 2024 are as follows – January 1, March 29<sup>th</sup>, May 27, July 4, September 2, November 28 & 29, and December 24 & 25. John made motion to approve Holidays, Guy 2<sup>nd</sup> – AIF, Motion Carried

Motion to approve meeting dates made by John, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Guy – AIF, Motion Carried

**Enforcement of Kahler Verdict** – If judgement is not paid and property owners do not take care of the problems within 31 days the Township has the right to step in and clean the mess up. Guy made a motion that if nothing changes, we will go in the very near future and remove the trailers and put them in holding for 30 days. John  $2^{nd}$  – AIF, Motion Carried

#### HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Don had asked about inserting a letter into garbage bills, because of adding the extra postage supervisors are suggesting we put information on website and Facebook. Don Bonet said school renovations are moving along. Windows and Siding on south side of building is complete. Will continue to work on school as weather permits. Any windows that we can not get in will be boarded up until spring. Don also thanked everyone who donated time. He also wants to thank Guy Seifert, Roy Christman, and Country Junction for all supplies donated.

#### **ROAD MASTER REPORT:**

Cutting Brush and opening Intersections

Email questions or comments to <a href="https://troad@ptd.net">ttroad@ptd.net</a>

# **ZONING OFFICER REPORT:**

Available in township office

**SEO REPORT:** Available in township office

# FIRE COMPANY REPORT:

Robert O'Donnell reported 2023 Year to Date is: 90 Emergency Calls

# PLANNING COMMISSION:

Next meeting is on Monday, November 13, 2023 at 7 p.m.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Guy received a call from Tom Newman asking who new assistant EMS will be. Robert O'Donnell responded that no one from Fire Company will have time to do both duties. Ryan Campbell was interested in this position. Guy made motion for recommendation of Ryan Campbell to fill the Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator position to work on replacing Tom Newman as Emergency Management Coordinator. Scott 2<sup>nd</sup> AIF – Motion Carried

#### **OFFICIALS:**

Next Board of Supervisor meeting will be December 7, 2023 at 7 p.m.

# **ZONING OFFICER HOURS:**

Hours for November 2023:

Thursday, November  $2^{nd} - 4:00 \text{ pm}$  to 6:00 pmThursday, November  $9^{th} - 4:00 \text{ pm}$  to 6:00 pmThursday, November  $16^{th} - 4:00 \text{ pm}$  to 6:00 pmThursday, November  $30^{th} - 4:00 \text{ pm}$  to 6:00 pm

Carl Faust, Towamensing Township Zoning & Code Enforcement Officer, can be reached by calling: 570-943-2577. Email: cefinspect@ptd.net

# Motion by Scott to adjourn meeting at 7:34 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John - AIF – Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted, Jessica Ahner, Secretary