

TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP BUILDING
Meeting Minutes
August 3, 2023, 7:00pm

CALL TO ORDER – 7:00pm

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 July 6, 2023 Board of Supervisors Meeting- **Motion – Scott, 2nd-John - All in favor- Motion Carried**

Bill List and Payroll from July 5 – August 1, 2023 - **Motion-Scott 2nd-John - All in favor- Motion Carried**

Treasurer’s Report as of July 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.

Susan Debski –Ms. Debski noticed there was activity in looking into the drainage situation. Township is moving forward in looking into this problem. Our township engineer is putting together a plan to rectify the procedure in helping to fix this issue. The Township has a long road ahead with drafting documents and getting signatures but we are in process. Guy also explained to Ms. Debski what Liquid Fuel is and it is also based on taxes and future plans to transfer station for garbage.

PLANS & SUBDIVISION

Jeffrey Ruch Estate – Minor Subdivision- Mark Leuthe of Lehigh Engineer present to go over plans. Planning recommended conditional approval on the plan. One lot with 3 dwellings to be divided each lot has septic and putting a back-up system on each lot. Greg noted on comment #4 from July 10th planning meeting he was not in favor and required waiver for steep slope delineations at planning meeting he took back that comment because the sewage module that SEO is doing will resolve the delineations. No development is being proposed. Guy made motion to waiver showing the steep slope delineations on plan. John 2nd AIF – Motion Carried Guy made motion to accept conditional approval with sewage module being completed and comments from engineer on July 7th review letter, with the exception of comment #4 on plan. John 2nd -AIF-Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS

Jerusalem UCC Final letter of credit – Carl to insect lights and if this is approved funds can be released.

Resolution False Alarm Ordinance - Guy made motion to table False Alarm Ordinance, no fire company attendance at meeting – John 2nd – AIF, Motion Carried

Resolution House Numbering Ordinance - Guy made motion to table House Numbering Ordinance, no fire company attendance at meeting – John 2nd – AIF, Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

Prepare Bids for Fuel & Materials - Was asked if we checked Co-Stars. Answer was we did not. Greg to get bids prepared for Jessica to advertise. Guy made motion for Greg prepare bids for advertising. Scott 2nd AIF – Motion Carried

Palmerton Library Donation - Guy made motion to donate to Palmerton Library in the amount of \$4,000.00. – John 2nd – AIF, Motion Carried

Valor Clinic Donation Guy made motion to donate to Valor Clinic in the amount of \$4,000.00. – John 2nd – AIF, Motion Carried

Transfer Station – Guy made motion that we appoint Barton & Loguidice Engineers to do a design study for transfer station study in maximum not to exceed the amount of \$25,000.00. John 2nd – AIF, Motion Carried

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Mr. Bonett reported that they have an issue in moving forward with making a decision of installing wood or vinyl windows. The Service Team quoted us \$400.00 a window. Historical Commission thinks the supervisors should have a say in what they think what material they would use. Windows and Shutters should be installed by end of September. Guy said he has the hardware for shutters and the shutters should stay closed. Don thinks they will take the supervisors recommendation into consideration and thanked them.

ROAD MASTER REPORT:

Currently patching roads and blowing pipes out.

Mowing Shoulders

Grader was on Municibid twice and there weren't any bids. We can try again next spring.

Discussion was made on how to do paving in township in the future.

Email questions or comments to ttroad@ptd.net

ZONING OFFICER REPORT:

Available in township office

SEO REPORT:

Available in township office

FIRE COMPANY REPORT:

July report from Robert O'Donnell, Fire Company responded to 17 emergency calls:

2023 Year to Date: 68 Emergency Calls

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Next meeting is on Monday, August 14, 2023 at 7 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE:

OFFICIALS:

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

Looking for volunteer for a planning commission member must provide township with letter of intent.

ZONING OFFICER HOURS:

Hours for August 2023:

- Thursday, August 3rd – 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm
- Thursday, August 10th – 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm
- Thursday, August 17th – 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm
- Thursday, August 24th – 4:00pm to 6:00 pm
- Thursday, August 31st – 4:00pm 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 Guy to adjourn meeting at 7:42 pm, 2nd by John - AIF – Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted, Jessica Ahner, Secretary