

**Benner Township Supervisors  
January 3, 2022  
Re-Organizational Meeting**

The 2022 Re-Organizational meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Chairman, Randy Moyer with members Larry Lingle and Thomas Moyer present. Also in attendance were Allen Strouse, Treva Deibler, Thomas Eby, John Elnitski, John Kostas, Ed Galus and Sharon Royer.

**ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD**

Chairman & V. Chairman: Mr. R. Moyer moved to appoint Randy Moyer as the 2022 Chairman of the Board of Supervisors and Larry Lingle as the Vice Chairman. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

**POSITION APPOINTMENTS**

Mr. R. Moyer moved to appoint the following individuals/firms to the following positions:

- Secretary/Treasurer – Sharon Royer
- Sewage Enforcement Officer – Laron Horner
- Back-Up Sewage Enforcement Officer – Pamela Winter
- Septage Management Plan Administrator - Pamela Winter
- Zoning Officer – Michael Lesniak
- Zoning Officer Back – Up – Sharon Royer
- Building Code Officials: PV Code/Keystone Inspection Agency
- Code Enforcement Officer: Gilbert Stull
- Solicitor – Rodney Beard
- Engineering:
  - Primary Engineer – Franson Engineering
  - Traffic Engineer – McCormick Taylor
- Banks: M & T Bank, PLIGET, Jersey Shore State Bank
- Road Superintendent – Dennis O’Leary
- Road Crew – Thomas Moyer, John Dutton, Kolyn Mellott
- Road Crew Clothing Allowance: \$250.00 full-time and \$100 part-time
- PSATS Voting Delegate – Larry Lingle

Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

Zoning Hearing Board: Mr. R. Moyer moved to appoint Allen Strouse to a three-year term on the Zoning Hearing Board. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

Water Authority:

5 year appointment: It was noted that Mr. Jerrold May’s term is up and that he is interested in being reappointed. Mr. R. Moyer moved to reappoint Jerrold May to a five year term to the Water Authority. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

SBWJA Appointment: It was noted that Dan Hoffman’s term has expired. Mr. Hoffman issued a letter to the Board indicating that he is willing to serve an additional term. Mr. R. Moyer moved to appoint Mr. Hoffman to an additional term. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

Centre County Tax Collection Committee: Mr. R. Moyer moved to appoint Sharon Royer as the Township’s primary appointment with R. Moyer acting as the alternate. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

Spring Creek Watershed Commission: Mr. R. Moyer moved to appoint Larry Lingle to act as the Township’s Representative on the Spring Creek Watershed Commission. Mr. T. Moyer seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission Appointments: Mr. R. Moyer moved to appoint Randy Moyer and Lynn Chaplin as the Township’s representative on the Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

Bellefonte Fire Executive Board: Mr. R. Moyer moved to appoint Sharon Royer to represent the Township on this Board. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

Cable Consortium Committee: Mr. R. Moyer moved to appoint Larry Lingle as the Township’s representative on this Committee. Mr. T. Moyer seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

CPA: It was noted that inquires have been made into a new CPA firm to complete the 2021 audit due to the recent experiences that we have been having with our current firm. An appointment is expected at the next Board meeting.

Vacancy Board: It was noted that currently there is no candidates for this position.

Appointment of Elected Auditors: It was noted that there are currently two vacant positions on the elected Board of Auditors. Appointment is needed as it is a requirement of the elected auditors to set the wages of any working elected Township Supervisors. Mr. R. Moyer moved to appoint David Wise and Allen Strouse to the vacant elected auditor positions. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

Meeting Dates for 2022: Mr. R. Moyer moved to continue to hold their regular meetings on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m., except for July and September when the meeting will be held on the first Thursday at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes

Mr. T. Moyer – yes

Mr. R. Moyer – yes

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Re-Organizational meeting was adjourned the time being 7:08 p.m.

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Sharon Royer, Secretary

### **Benner Township Supervisors**

**January 3, 2022**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Benner Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:09 p.m. by the Chairman, Randy Moyer with members Larry Lingle and Thomas Moyer present. Also in attendance were Allen Strouse, Treva Deibler, Thomas Eby, John Elnitski, John Kostas, Ed Galus and Sharon Royer.

### **PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

John Kostas: Mr. Kostas noted that he has become aware that DEP and PSU will be meeting later this month to determine where the soil samples will be taken to test for PFAS. He continued that he feels that someone representing the Township should also be in attendance that this meeting and volunteered himself if none of the Board members were available. The Board noted that they would contact DEP to see if someone representing the Township could attend the meeting.

John Elnitski: Mr. Elnitski questioned if the In Lieu of Tax agreement renewal with Penn State has been finalized. Mr. R. Moyer indicated that the renewal isn't up until the end of the year, however a meeting was held as was required in the agreement one year before expiration between the Township and PSU where both parties tentatively agreed to renewing the current terms of the agreement with the stipulation that the agreement could be visited half way through the new term. Mr. Elnitski noted that he feels that the township should consider seeing what other municipalities are getting and adjust accordingly. He noted that a large portion of the formula is based on income generated at the airport and feels that flights are down as is the sale of fuel which will affect the amount the township is paid.

John Kostas: Mr. Kostas questioned if the agreement to add flights was reached with American Airlines? Mr. Lingle noted that the County has established a fund to hold the dedicated funds should the agreement be finalized. It was noted that there is a pilot shortage and therefore the agreement is taking longer to finalize. If the agreement isn't reached than the funds will be returned to those who dedicated them.

## MINUTES

The minutes of the December 6, 2021, were presented to the Board for their review and comments. Mr. R. Moyer moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

## BILLS

The list of bills for the General Fund in the amount of \$74,882.72 was presented to the Board for their review and approval. Mr. R. Moyer moved to approve the bills as presented. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

The list of bills for the State Fund was presented to the Board for their review and approval in the amount of \$11,652.92. Mr. R. Moyer moved to approve the bills as presented. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

## OLD BUSINESS

Bellefonte Campground Conditional Use Decision: The prepared decision for the Bellefonte Campground Conditional Use Hearing was presented to the Board for their review and adoption. The summary of the decision was read aloud. Mr. R. Moyer moved to adopt the decision which denies the conditional use request for the campground. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

Mr. Elnitski noted that he wants a copy of the transcript so that he can proceed to court.

## NEW BUSINESS

Skid Steer: \*Mr. Tom Moyer made a motion to add the purchase of a Skid Steer to the Board's agenda. Mr. Randy Moyer seconded the motion to add the agenda item.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

The Township is in receipt of a quote from Groff Tractor and Equipment for a New 2022 Case TV370B Rubber Track Loader off of the State Contract #2420. The quote includes trading in the township's 2002 Bobcat 773. Contract price of \$63,479.00 with the trade worth \$17,700.00 leaving the purchase price of \$45,779.00. It was noted that this purchase was included in the Township's 2022 budget for equipment. Mr. Lingle moved to complete the paperwork for this skid steer purchase. Mr. R. Moyer seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes                      Mr. T. Moyer – yes                      Mr. R. Moyer – yes

It was noted that a new trailer to haul this equipment will also be purchased but will be under the bidding requirements. A couple different makes are being considered and priced out.

Benner Pike Shops: It was noted that the Traffic Safety Improvement Agreement has been reviewed by the various entities for the Benner Pike. It has been agreed upon that the owner of the Benner Pike Shops will contribute \$15,800 which equals 20% of the traffic light improvements needed in the future. Mr. R. Moyer moved to approve and accept the agreement. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lingle – yes

Mr. T. Moyer – yes

Mr. R. Moyer – yes

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. SBWJA Minutes November 22, 2021
2. Benner Township Water Authority Minutes of November 16, 2021
3. Centre County Planning Commission Letters
  - a. Time Extensions
    - i. Centre County Airport Authority
    - ii. Happy Valley Blended Products
    - iii. Benner Pike Shopping Center
    - iv. All Storage Solutions, Inc.
    - v. LSC RP, LLC
  - b. Comment letter Village of Nittany Glen Phase VI
4. PSU Aboveground Storage Downstream Notification
5. Centre County Recycling & Refuse Authority Rate notification 2022
6. DEP Draft Class A Stream Evaluation Report for Public Comment
7. Penn Dot Benner Pike TIS Comments
8. DEP Proposal Re: stricter PFAS limits
9. ELA Harvest Meadows Traffic Impact Study Comments

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned the time being 7:28 p.m.

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Sharon Royer, Sec.