

**Benner Township Supervisors
September 1, 2022**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Benner Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Chairman, Randy Moyer with members Thomas Moyer and Larry Lingle present. Also in attendance were John Elnitski, Torrey Hillard, John Hillard, Ed Galus, Dennis O'Leary and Sharon Royer.

EXECUTIVE SESSION NOTICE: The Board of Supervisors held an executive session at the end of the August 1, 2022, regular meeting to discuss personnel matters. All three Board members were present. It lasted from 7:50 to 8:05 p.m.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

John & Torrey Hillard: Mr. Hillard noted that they just purchased 1708 Purdue Mt. Road. He questioned if there was anything that the Board could do to assist them with a situation that they are having with their driveway. They noted that almost any type of vehicle bottoms out when leaving their driveway. Trucks, cars, delivery vehicles. The previous owners stated that they didn't have any issues with the driveway until the Township paved the road last year. Mr. Hillard noted that there is ponding water at the bottom of the driveway when it rains and fears that this will also be problematic this winter with ice. The Hillards noted that they are contracting with Eby Paving to have their driveway paved but that it won't happen until next year. Mrs. Hillard noted that at the bottom of the driveway there is a "U" which is what is causing the drag. Mr. Hillard noted that they had three different contactors come out and look at their driveway and all have said that it is the angle of the road not their driveway that is causing the issue. Mr. T. Moyer gave Mr. Hillard a copy of Mr. Franson's report on the driveway. It was found that the driveway had anywhere from a 24 to 29% grade. He noted in his report that any driveway that has slopes exceeding 14% could result in dragging of the front and/or rear bumper of the vehicle. Mr. O'Leary noted that when the road was paved the driveway was milled out. What was taken out was put back in. Mr. Lingle noted that he lives on Purdue Mt. and had the same problem. He hired Eby Pavement to fix his problem however he doesn't believe that his driveway was nearly as steep. Mr. R. Moyer noted that the Township's standards are 10% grade for a driveway coming off of a township road. The Board noted that unfortunately there isn't anything that they can do to fix this problem. Mr. O'Leary noted that he will go out and meet with the paving company when they go to do the work next year.

MINUTES

The minutes of August 1, 2022, 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. T. Moyer – yes Mr. Lingle – yes Mr. R. Moyer – yes

BILLS

The General Fund bill list in the amount of \$140,459.62 was presented to the Board for their approval. Mr. R. Moyer moved to approve the bills as presented. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

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

The State Fund bill list in the amount of \$231,801.88 was presented to the Board for their approval. Mr. R. Moyer moved to approve the bills as presented. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Memorandum of Understandings: It was noted that the Board is in receipt of two memorandum of understandings for the Cascade Land Development and the Greater Buffalo Run United Methodist Church Land Development. Mr. R. Moyer moved to approve the Memorandums for these two projects. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

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

PennDot HOP Application for Harvest Meadows Subdivision: It was noted that the PennDot application for roadway improvements required for the Harvest Meadows Subdivision was ready for the Board's approval and signature. Mr. R. Moyer moved to approve the application for submission. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

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

Insurance Quotes: Mrs. Royer noted that she has received several calls asking if the Board was interested in getting quotes for insurance. The Board indicated that they were.

2023 Minimum Municipal Obligation: The 2023 calculation for the Township's Minimum Municipal Obligation for the employee pension was calculated to be \$12,875.00. Mr. R. Moyer moved to approve this amount and include it in the Township's 2023 budget. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

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

HRI, Inc. Fox Hill Road Bond: Mr. O'Leary noted that HRI, Inc. has completed their usage of Fox Hill Road for the year and is seeking to have their excess road bond released. Mr. R. Moyer moved to release the bond. Mr. Lingle seconded the motion.

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

CORRESPONDENCE


The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence:

1. SBWJA Minutes July 25, 2022 & August 8, 2022
2. Benner Township Water Authority Minutes of July 19, 2022
3. Centre County Planning Commission Letters
 - a. Time Extensions
 - i. Village of Nittany Glen Phase VII
 - b. Preliminary Review for the Final Plan Greater Buffalo Run Valley UMC
 - c. Preliminary Review for Final Plan the Cascade Land Development
 - d. Bellefonte Warehouse Comments
 - e. Belle Rose Townhomes Comments
4. Engineering Review Comments
 - a. Bellefonte Warehouse 1st review
 - b. TIS review of the Cascade
5. Centre County Conservation District
 - a. PA Fish & Boat GP Shiloh Road – Spring Creek
 - b. PA Fish & Boat GP King Property – Spring Creek
 - c. Greater Buffalo Run UMC – completeness letter
6. Lead & Copper Water Test Results At Twp. Building
7. Notice of State College Area Connector Planning & Environmental Linkage Study meeting
8. DEP Letters
 - a. Act 537 Exemption for Benner Pike Hotel

- b. Greater Buffalo Run Church Act 537 Exemption
- c. PFAS Update
- 9. PennDot Review of Amberleigh Drive Hotel TIS
- 10. Notice that UAJA is applying for an Air Quality Permit for a Biosolids upgrade project

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned the time being 7:25 p.m.



Sharon Royer, Secretary