

MILLCREEK TOWNSHIP

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 9, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairman, Dan K. Hogeland commencing with the Pledge to the Flag.

Present: Dan K. Hogeland, Chairman Eric J. Weidman, V. Chairman Scott D. Moyer, Supervisor John D. Enck, Solicitor Jeff Steckbeck, Engineer Lorie J. Kupp, Sec./Treas. Chief Brian Hostetter

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

<u>Steckbeck Engineering</u> – Jeff Steckbeck was present with Newburg Rec Area Walking Path – Conceptual Plan. John Kantner was also present to comment the design of the walking path should be sent to the Authorities enginner to see if the plan would comply with DEP regulations regarding the well head before the Authority considers allowing it. DEP regulations are strict with the well head being on the property. Steckbeck will attend the next Rec Board meeting on Dec. 4th at 7 PM. Weidman will also try to attend.

<u>Roberta DeSantis</u> was present to inform the Board that her term at the Greater Lebanon Refuse Authority expires this year. She said she would serve one more 5-year term before retiring. She also commented that she issued a verbal warning to the trailers occupants on Locust St. to clean up. They have been cleaning up, but she was also concerned with the condition of the trailers. Secretary had reported this to County Planning a few weeks ago but hasn't heard anything. John Kantner also complained about the condition of the Chat-a-While.

REPORTS OF ORGANIZATIONS:

<u>Millcreek Township Planning Commission</u> – minutes were received.

<u>Millcreek Township Recreation Board</u> – minutes were received.

Newmanstown Water Auth. - minutes received.

Police Activity report was received.

Western Berks Ambulance – report received.

MINUTES: Motion by Weidman to approve the Oct. 12th & Oct. 18th minutes as printed. Seconded by

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Moyer. All aye, motion carried.

SOLICITOR:

<u>Comcast franchise fee</u> – Solicitor reported he has not had a response from Comcast since his last letter.

<u>Police Policies</u> – Solicitor reported that he and Chief Hostetter continue to work on the *Use of Force policy* but requested the Board's approval to meet with the Chief and Sergeant on this policy for a work session.

<u>Unpaid mowing bills – 124 N. Sheridan Rd. & 24 Cottage Ln.</u> were discussed and given to the Solicitor to proceed with collection.

<u>Henry & Jane Steiner Ag Security Proposal</u> – Res#110922 was presented to the Board for their consideration. The 180 days has expired so the proposal would be deemed as approved. <u>Motion by Hogeland to adopt Resolution #110922 the Agricultural Security addition of the</u> <u>lands of Henry & Jane Steiner to the Millcreek Township Agricultural Security Area.</u> Seconded <u>by Weidman. All aye, motion carried.</u>

ACTION: none

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

<u>2023 budget</u> – was reviewed. <u>Motion by Weidman to advertise the 2023 township budget as</u> <u>contained in the second draft, for adoption at the Dec. 14, 2022 meeting.</u> <u>Seconded by</u> <u>Moyer. All aye, motion carried.</u>

<u>Bridge Inspection Program</u> – bridge closure correspondence (Hogeland Rd. bridge) was discussed. Estimated to cost \$320,000 to repair. Risser will look into getting other estimates.

<u>Request from JVI to get internet connected to construction trailer</u> was discussed. Secretary to sign any documents needed.

NEW BUSINESS:

<u>Tax Refund – Dale & Marian Musser, 7 S. Millbach Rd.</u> 2016 – 2022 assessment error \$41.02. <u>Motion by Hogeland to refund Dale & Marian Musser the \$41.02 mistake on 7 S. Millbach Rd.</u> <u>Seconded by Weidman. All aye, motion carried.</u>

<u>Humane Society agreement</u> was reviewed. 4 dogs & 13 cats - \$50 each- <u>Motion by Weidman to</u> <u>not enter agreement with the Humane Society for 2023 but to pay the \$200 for the dogs that</u> <u>were turned in to the facility. Seconded by Moyer. All aye, motion carried.</u>

Member terms expiring was discussed. Secretary to contact members.

Advertise appointment of Garcia Garman & Shea, PC as auditors - Secretary questioned the Boards intent. Motion by Weidman to advertise the intention to appoint Garcia Garman &

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Shea, PC for our 2023 audit. Seconded Hogeland. All aye, motion carried.

<u>2023 Meeting dates</u> were discussed. Jan. 3rd Organizational & regular business; Feb. 8th; Mar. 8th; Apr. 12th; May 10th; June 14^{th;} July 12th; Aug. 9th; Sept. 13th; Oct. 11th; Nov. 8th; Dec. 13th, Nov. 1st at 9 AM budget workshop. <u>Motion by Hogeland to advertise the 2023 meeting dates</u> as discussed. Seconded by Moyer. All aye, motion carried.

<u>Treasurer's Bond renewal</u> was discussed. <u>Motion by Weidman to increase the Treasurers</u> <u>bond renewal at a cost of \$1,600,000 for 2023. Seconded by Moyer. All aye, motion carried.</u>

ROADMASTER REPORT: Road Foreman was present and reported on work done in October. ELCO School district aeriated the field, and the water will be turned off in the rec stand and the bathrooms. Equipment being prepared for winter.

BILLS/TREASURERS REPORT: Motion by Hogeland to accept the Treasurers Report and pay the bills as money is available. Seconded by Weidman. All aye, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Weidman to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 P.M. Seconded by Moyer. All aye, motion carried.

WITNESS:

Lorie J. Kupp, Sec./Treas.

Dan K. Hogeland, Chairman