

**SCOTT TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES—DECEMBER 15, 2021**

The Scott Township Board of Supervisors met on the above date in the Municipal Building, 350 Tenny Street (Espy), Bloomsburg, PA. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m., and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. In attendance were Supervisors William G. Hafner, Kathleen A. Lynn, Paul R. Eyerly IV, Lanny R. Sheehan, and Dennis N. Wildt. Solicitor Anthony J. McDonald from Marinos, McDonald & Knecht LLP, Police Chief Raymond J. Klingler, Maintenance Supervisor Mark J. Koons, and Secretary/Treasurer Brittany M. Bacon were also in attendance.

QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None appearing.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the November 17, 2021 meeting and the December 8, 2021 special meeting were presented for approval. Ms. Lynn made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Eyerly seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS

The November Budget, Police, Roads, Secretary, Treasurer, Zoning Reports and the Tri-County COG IBC Inspection Service Report were presented for approval. Mr. Sheehan made a motion to approve the reports as presented. Mr. Wildt seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS TO BE PAID

The November 18 through December 15 General Fund bills to be paid were presented as one electronic funds transfer and check numbers 17044–17106 for \$25,210.54. In addition, a Liquid Fuels Fund bill to be paid was presented as check number 1851 for \$3,814.12. Mr. Wildt made a motion to approve the bills to be paid. Ms. Lynn seconded and the motion carried 4-0, with Mr. Eyerly abstaining due to a conflict of interest regarding the Press Enterprise payment, check number 17097.

SUBDIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENT

Regarding the 10 Bentley Subdivision and Land Development, Ted Oman, PLS, of Ted L. Oman & Associates, Inc., submitted a letter, dated December 9, 2021, requesting that the Township provide written verification that the remaining lots are ready for construction of townhouses. Mr. Hafner stated he and Mr. McDonald recommend deferring this until the February meeting in order for the Township to have adequate time to research this matter.

Regarding the Kurtis L. & Ginger P. Shaffer Preliminary/Final Minor Subdivision Plan, Mr. Oman attended to represent the applicants. The plan proposes to subdivide one lot, which would leave a residue lot containing 10.155 acres. Township Engineer Todd R. Pysher of Pysher & Associates, Inc., reviewed the plan in a letter dated November 17, 2021. The County Planning Commission reviewed the plan. The Township Planning Commission reviewed the plan and recommended the Board approve it based on satisfying Mr. Pysher's conditions. Those conditions have been met. Mr. Eyerly made a motion to approve the Subdivision Plan. Mr. Sheehan seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Regarding the Final Land Development Plan Phase 2 of Lot 1 in the Columbia County Business Park, Joshua Hoagland, P.E., of The Crossroads Group, LLC, sent an email dated December 3, 2021, on behalf of Marr Development, asking to withdraw the application that was submitted on November 3, 2021. Ms. Bacon explained that the developer has submitted a new application and that will be on the Board's agenda for consideration at the January meeting. Mr. Sheehan made a motion to grant the request for withdrawal. Ms. Lynn seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Regarding the American Rescue Plan funds, Ms. Bacon updated the Board. Mr. Koons stated that the pipe repair work that was done near Edgar Avenue was paid with Liquid Fuels funds. He requested that since the project is permitted as an ARP expense, that the Liquid Fuels account be reimbursed the cost of \$2,247. In addition, he requested the \$732 survey cost for the replacement pipe be paid with ARP monies. The replacement pipe project may total nearly \$50,000. Mr. Eyerly recommended that due to the record-keeping requirements for ARP, the project expenses should be grouped. Mr. Hafner recommended requesting County ARP funds once the total project costs are clearer.

Regarding the municipal building improvements and the Cinema Center traffic signal replacement, Ms. Bacon drew the Board's attention to the PENNVEST loan rates. She recommended covering the cost of the roof replacement from the savings account. The PennDOT grant toward the traffic signal cost is \$222,000. Before the Board decides whether to use savings for both projects or to apply for a loan, Mr. Eyerly stated it would be helpful if they knew whether the Township is responsible to front the funds for the traffic signal before PennDOT releases grant monies. Mr. Koons will research the grant payout structure.

NEW BUSINESS

Regarding the debit/credit card agenda item, Ms. Bacon requested permission to switch to a different credit card issuer. Mr. Sheehan recommended switching to a debit card. After discussion, the Board authorized Ms. Bacon to change to a credit or debit card from First Columbia Bank.

Mr. Eyerly thanked Mr. Sheehan for his years of service.

Mr. Eyerly made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Sheehan seconded and the motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Brittany M. Bacon
Secretary/Treasurer