

**SCOTT TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
MINUTES— October 18, 2023**

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 Kathleen A. Lynn, Paul R. Eyerly IV, Layne D. Kocher, and William G. Hafner. Police Chief Raymond J. Klingler, Maintenance Supervisor Douglas Kashner, and Secretary/Treasurer Brittany M. Bacon were also in attendance.

Ms. Lynn requested, without objection, to first address the New Business item regarding concerns with the Scott School Park Pickleball Court. Carolyn LaMacchia, 28 Crestmont Circle, on behalf of herself and her other teammates, expressed appreciation to Scott Township for construction and use of the Pickleball Court, stated her group's agreement that users should act as "good neighbors", and suggested the acquisition/installation of a sound-absorbing barrier to surround the court. Resident Kelsey Smith requested some adjustment to the hours/use as the noise and conversations have had a negative impact on the residents. Both parties agreed to meet privately on the issues and provide the Supervisors with the outcome of the meeting.

**RECOGNITION OF TOWNSHIP OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR**

Ms. Lynn recognized Paul R. Eyerly IV for his recent award as Township Supervisor of the Year. Ms. Lynn stated that she, Mr. Eyerly, and Brittany Bacon were in attendance at the award presentation. Ms. Lynn thanked Ms. Bacon for submitting the nomination. Ms. Lynn expressed congratulations to Mr. Eyerly on a job well done!

**QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Scott Fought stated that he was unable to attend the September meeting when the matter of one-way traffic on Snyder Avenue was introduced but has since provided a letter to the Supervisors with his concerns and alternative solutions. Mr. Kocher stated that the Supervisors will review the information for discussion at the November 2023 meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the September 20, 2023 Supervisor's meeting and September 21, 2023 Budget meeting were presented for approval. Mr. Kocher made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Hafner seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

**APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS**

The September Budget, Police, Roads, Secretary, Treasurer, Zoning, and the Barry Isett & Associates Reports were presented for approval. Questions/responses on the reports were as follows:

- Police – The Criminal History Records History check was requested by the Attorney General's office and are typically requested every two years.
- Roads – It is expected that the playground mulch will last between three and five years. The garbage can at Scott Park was replaced.
- Barry Isett & Associates – The only open item on the Duband Avenue violation is the mold/mildew testing.

Mr. Eyerly made a motion to approve the reports as presented and Mr. Kocher seconded. The motion carried 4-0.

### **APPROVAL OF BILLS TO BE PAID**

The September 20 through October 26 General Fund bills to be paid were presented as two electronic fund transfers and check numbers 17991 through 18033 for \$ 253,043.32. In addition, the Liquid Fuels Fund bills to be paid were presented as check numbers 1926 through 1928 for \$72,538.52. Mr. Kocher made a motion to approve the bills to be paid. Mr. Hafner seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

### **SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT**

Plans were shown to the Supervisors in regards to the Richard and Janet Kocher Subdivision, 1193 Ridge Road. The original subdivision was approved May 26, 2009. The request to build a new home, after a major subdivision and barn were completed and installed, has required the parcel to have a stormwater management plan due to the amount of disturbance. There was significant discussion on the matter. The vote on the Kocher Stormwater Waiver Letter was tabled until the November meeting.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Ordinance Review** - The most current drafts of all four (4) Ordinances for review (Short Term Rental, Animals, Park/Recreation, Amusement Device Tax) will be emailed to the Township Solicitor and all Supervisors. A vote on each ordinance will be on the November agenda.

**EMA Coordinator** – Item tabled.

**Park Grant** - After discussion and consideration of a start date of Spring 2024, further action at this time was tabled for further review.

**Police Department Body Cameras** - Police Chief Klingler explained that the technology for the current Body Cameras is obsolete and provided a quotation for acquisition of new Motorola body cameras. Motion made by Mr. Eyerly to approve the up-front purchase and seconded by Mr. Kocher. Motion carried 4-0.

**20 Shawnee Road** - Tabled for further review.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Back Door at Township Building** – Mr. Benfield of the Sewer Authority has requested replacing the Township Building back door with a door with a window for safety purposes when entering or exiting the building. Recommended posting sign “exit door slowly” as solution.

**Administrative Assistant Position** – Ms. Bacon recommended hiring Roberta (Bobbi) Titus for the part-time Administrative Assistant position. Motion made by Mr. Eyerly to hire Roberta Titus at a rate of \$17.00/hour, subject to clear background checks. Motion was seconded by Mr. Kocher. Motion carried 4-0.

**2024 Draft Budget** – Motion made by Mr. Hafner to approve and advertise the 2024 draft budget as presented. Seconded by Mr. Kocher. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Eyerly made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Kocher seconded, and the motion carried 4-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brittany M. Bacon  
Secretary/Treasurer