

**SCOTT TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES— January 17, 2024**

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, Layne D. Kocher, Kathleen A. Lynn , Lanny R. Sheehan, and Dennis N. Wildt. Police Chief Raymond J. Klingler, Maintenance Supervisor Douglas Kashner, and Secretary/Treasurer Brittany M. Bacon were also in attendance.

QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE – There were no questions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the December 20, 2023 and January 2, 2024 meetings were presented for approval. Mr. Sheehan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Wildt seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS

The December 2023 Police, Roads, Secretary, Treasurer, Budget, Zoning, and the Barry Isett & Associates Inc. reports were presented for approval. Doug Kashner stated that the new traffic signal at the Cinema Center is now operational and confirmed that there are no outstanding road or tree issues as a result of the recent storm. Brittany Bacon reported that the annual financial audit for Scott Township began January 9, 2024. Ms. Lynn made a motion to approve the reports as presented and Mr. Hafner seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS TO BE PAID

The December 20 through January 17 General Fund bills to be paid were presented as one electronic fund transfer and check numbers 18115 through 18147 for \$71,623.44. In addition, the Liquid Fuels Fund bills to be paid were presented as check numbers 1933 through 1934 for \$4,143.98. Mr. Hafner made a motion to approve the bills to be paid. Mr. Sheehan seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

SUBDIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENT

Financial Security Lion's Gate – Ms. Bacon reported that a request was received from Lion's Gate requesting release of their posted financial security for the stormwater project. Todd Pysher, Pysher & Associates, Inc. conducted a review of the work completed to date. Based on his review and a report from the Columbia County Conservation District, Mr. Pysher recommended denial of the request. Ms. Lynn made a motion to deny the release of the Lion's Gate financial security and Mr. Wildt seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

SAI Realty Route 11 – Ms. Bacon reported the application receipt from SAI Realty Route 11 for the construction of storage units behind the new smoke shop. After a review by Todd Pysher, he reported the documentation submitted was unsatisfactory due to missing information and recommended denial of the application. The request was subsequently reviewed by the Planning Commission and denied. Ms. Bacon noted that, should the application be denied by the Supervisors, a new application and associated fees would be required from SAI Realty Route 11 to revisit the matter. Mr. Hafner made a motion to deny the SAI Realty Route 11 application. Mr. Wildt seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Resolution Number 1-17-24 Fee Schedule – Motion made by Ms. Lynn, seconded by Mr. Sheehan. Motion carried 5-0.

20 Shawnee Road – Ms. Bacon reported on receipt of correspondence from property owner, Antonio Geatti along with a structural integrity report from Mr. Geatti's contractor, John's Small Jobs Services. Ms. Bacon forwarded the structural integrity report to Chip Stalega of Barry Isett & Associates Inc., who will respond directly to Mr. Geatti. Additionally, Ms. Bacon noted that a magistrate's hearing is scheduled for January 22, 2024 between Scott Township and Mr. Geatti on the matter of the dangerous structure/demolition signs being removed from the property.

NEW BUSINESS

Utility Trailer Purchase – Doug Kashner has requested approval to purchase a new utility trailer, already included in the 2024 General Fund budget. Three quotes were received. The delivery cost would be an additional \$3/mile, approximately \$900. Doug noted that pick up of the trailer instead of delivery would allow for an inspection of the trailer before completion of the sales transaction. Motion made by Ms. Lynn to purchase the utility trailer for \$6,277 and send two (2) maintenance department employees to pick up the trailer in Bedford, PA. Mr. Wildt seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

Change Order #1 Cinema Center Light – Mr. Kashner explained that Change Order #1 is related to line painting with no cost ramifications. Motion made by Mr. Hafner to approve Change Order #1 for zero dollars for the Cinema Center Light. Mr. Sheehan seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

Payment #1 Cinema Center Light – Mr. Kashner reported that the project has been completed with a 30-day test period. The contractor invoice totaling \$231,700 has been received. Approval to pay the invoice is tabled until the February meeting.

Scott Township Solicitor – Chairman Kocher read a letter of resignation as Scott Township Solicitor and Planning Commission Solicitor, effective January 12, 2024, from Mr. Anthony J. McDonald, Marinos & McDonald, LLC. Mr. Kocher reported that he and Mr. Hafner met with an interested candidate earlier today and plan to meet with other candidates prior to the Supervisors' February meeting.

Stony Brook Circle – Ms. Bacon informed the Supervisors of receipt of a complaint of a partially collapsed trailer in Stony Brook Circle, which she referred to Barry Isett & Associates Inc. After the building inspection, the trailer was immediately condemned and posted as unsafe. Stony Brook Circle management indicates agreement to appropriately resolve the situation.

Ms. Lynn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wildt seconded, and the motion carried 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brittany M. Bacon
Secretary/Treasurer