

**HALIFAX TOWNSHIP**  
**102 Fisher Street**  
**Halifax, PA 17032**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING**  
**March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.**

**\*ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA MAY BE AN ACTION ITEM\***

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Bechtel called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:**

Supervisors Bechtel, Paul, Schreffler and McBurney are present along with Solicitor Bruce Warshawsky, HRG, Inc Engineer Alex Greenly, Secretary Sara M. Glace, and Roadmaster Tim Belk. Supervisor Bruner attended virtually.

**RECORDING MEETING:**

The Secretary is the only person reportedly recording the meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

There was no executive session held.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:**

Mike Gensemer, a spokesperson for Building Inspections of Underwriters of PA, Inc., spoke under public comment to give Halifax Township Board of Supervisors an update on third party inspections that they have been doing in Halifax Township.

**SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORT:**

**Paid Interim Bills: Motion** made by Supervisor Paul and seconded by Supervisor Schreffler to approve the paid interim bills thru March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Vote called. **Motion** carries 5-0.

**Current Unpaid Bills: Motion** made by Supervisor Schreffler and seconded by Supervisor McBurney to approve the unpaid bills thru March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Vote called. **Motion** carries 5-0.

**Meeting Minutes:**

**February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Meeting Minutes: Motion** made by Supervisor Paul and seconded by Supervisor Schreffler to approve the February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Meeting Minutes. Vote called. **Motion** carries 5-0.

**Financial Report:** Placed on file for audit later.

**EMC REPORT:**

EMC Tim Neiter was not present to cover his report dated March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, that was submitted for services during the month of February 2022, it will be placed on record.

**PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:**

**Motion** was made by Supervisor Schreffler and seconded by Supervisor Paul to approve waivers Section 404 (Preliminary Plans) and Section 512.9 (Requested Parking Analysis). Vote called. **Motion** carries 5-0. **Motion** was made by Supervisor Paul and seconded by Supervisor Schreffler to give conditional approval to Lake Tobias Land Development Plan for Souvenir Shop if SALDO comments 2 through 10 and administrative comments 1 through 3 are met. Vote called. **Motion** carries 5-0.

**ENGINEER REPORT:**

Engineer covered his report dated March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, for services during February. The report will be placed on record. Engineer Alex Greenly advised he completed both plan reviews for Lake Tobias Bus Shed and Souvenir Shop. Alex Greenly provided the financial security to Lake Tobias for the Bus Shed, which has been submitted to Halifax Township.

Dauphin County Conservation District (Low Impact Development) is recommended for Land Development Residents and to educate residents who plan to build on large acre tracks.

#### **SOLICITOR REPORT:**

Solicitor Warshawsky submitted his report dated March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022, for services during February. The report will be placed on record. Bold text items are on the agenda. Questions on the Solicitor's billing.

#### **ROADMASTER REPORT:**

Roadmaster Tim Belk was present and submitted a report for February 2022. The report will be placed on record.

- **Dauphin County Electronic Recycling:** Halifax Township will not be able to take electronics to be recycled at Spring Cleanup Days due to lack of logistics. Dauphin County is unable to come pick up the Electronic Recycling due to lack of emp
- **Mountain Road Logger:** A logger was placing his logs on Halifax Township's right-of-way. A request was made that the logger remove the logs off Halifax Township's right-of-way. The logger fixed the road with cold patch.
- **Mountain Road Dismantling of Trailer:** A person is dismantling a trailer on Mountain Road; a permit is not required for dismantling.
- **Funk Driveway (Keiffer Road Extension):** Excess amount of rainfall is causing water issues that is leading straight to Bob Stout's sand mound.
- **Fort Halifax (widening of road):** \$100000.00 grant was approved by the Gaming Board, but Board of Supervisors needs to figure out just how they are spending the grant money on Fort Halifax. Halifax Township is going to start widening the road with fill all the way up to trees at Fort Halifax.
- **Dustin Drive:** The two townhomes that have been burnt; are being torn down in preparation for new construction of two new homes.
- **Brush Area:** A decision was reached to run a powerline back to the brush area and to put in security cameras, a card reader, and a gate in at the brush area.

#### **SEO REPORT:**

Report submitted for the record.

#### **FRIENDS OF FORT HALIFAX REPORT:**

Frank Wilmarth, member of the Friends of Fort Halifax, was present and submitted a report for February 2022. Friends of Fort Halifax presented a Resolution for Annual Members Appreciation Even. A **Motion** was made by Supervisor McBurney and seconded by Supervisor Paul to dispense the reading of the Resolution for Annual Members Appreciation Event. Vote called. **Motion** carries 5-0. A **Motion** was made by Supervisor McBurney and seconded by Supervisor Paul to approve the Resolution for Annual Members Appreciation Event. Vote called. **Motion** carries 5-0.

#### **NUISANCE REPORT:**

Roadmaster Tim Belk provided a verbal reported to the Board of Supervisors. Since the last report, on February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, the Board of Supervisors have decided to remove Mr. & Mrs. Michael Kline until there is another complaint or if the debris overtakes the property.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE:**

**Liquid Fuels Monies:** Halifax Township received the annual Liquid Fuels Monies in the amount of \$181,778.90 for 2022.

**Broadband Need Area:** Halifax Township Board of Supervisors advised to call Halifax Area School District to get a list of addresses of residents that don't have an internet provider and to advertise through Facebook and Halifax Township website to residents.

**Committee Escrow Account:** A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Schreffler and seconded by Supervisor Paul to appoint a committee for the Plan Escrow Account. Vote called. **Motion** carries 5-0. The committee will consist of Supervisor Schreffler, Supervisor Paul, and Sara Glace.

**HAWASA/HRG (Jeff Enders/Justin Mendinsky):** Halifax Township and Halifax Borough Council along with Justin Mendinsky, an Engineer from HRG, Inc. are working together on the Sewer Extension Project that started back on March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019, when PA DEP approved the Act 537 Plan that was submitted by Halifax Township which included

recommendations to construct a new sanitary treatment plant. Halifax Area Water and Sewer Authority (HAWASA) and HRG, Inc. Engineer Justin Mendinsky applied for the permits required to construct a new sanitary treatment plant and the Sewer Extension Project which would encompass service areas: Matamoras Road, 147/225, Triangle & Lenker Estates, Powells Valley Road, Parmer Drive, Galli Road & Lauren Lane, Creek Road, and Hill Drive. HAWASA applied to PENNVEST for funding assistance and PENNVEST awarded HAWASA \$10,587,348.00 in grant money and \$6,519,652.00 in loan money at one percent interest rate for the next twenty years. A public meeting is soon to follow in the Spring of 2022 to answer residents' questions, especially those who are impacted by Sewer Extension Project and what it means for them. The Sewer Extension Project is tentatively expected to start construction late 2022.

**Halifax Area Ambulance & Rescue:** Halifax Township Board of Supervisors ask that Supervisor Bechtel and Supervisor McBurney attend Halifax Area Ambulance & Rescue Meeting to take place March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Brush Area-Contractors:** Discuss in the Roadmaster Report.

**A to Z Construction-Security Agreement, O & M Agreement, Planning Module Mailer, & Plans:** No action or discussion took place.

**Kieffer Road:** No action or discussion took place.

**Fort Halifax Farmhouse & Barn-Grant:** Discuss in the Roadmaster Report.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Garage without Permit located at 43 Kip Road:** Halifax Township Board of Supervisors requested a Cease-and-Desist Letter be sent to Vernon Rothermel because he violated Halifax Township Building Permit Ordinance of 1973, Section 2.00-Building Permits Required before any construction or development is undertaken within the area of Halifax Township.

**Fort Halifax Park-Request for Kayak Camp:** A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Paul and seconded by Supervisor Schreffler to approve Kayak Camp held by Stephanie Hoover the weeks of June 20<sup>th</sup>, June 27<sup>th</sup>, and July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and proof of certificate of liability. Vote called. **Motion** carries 5-0.

**Advertising Spring Cleanup:** A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Schreffler and seconded by Supervisor Paul to approve the advertising of Spring Cleanup to be held Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022, from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022, from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (noon). Vote called. **Motion** carries 5-0.

**Address for Christy Bechtel-Lepore:** A **Motion** was made by Supervisor McBurney and seconded by Supervisor Paul to approve the suggested address by Dauphin County Address Management for Christy Lepore-Bechtel. Vote called. **Motion** carries 5-0.

**Address for Deepak Subedi:** A **Motion** was made by Supervisor McBurney and seconded by Supervisor Paul to approve the suggested address by Dauphin County Address Management for Deepak Subedi. Vote called. **Motion** carries 5-0.

**Dead Sycamore Trees:** A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Paul and seconded Supervisor Schreffler to allow Steven Reed at 741 South River Road, Halifax to apply for a permit to remove a marked (dead) sycamore tree from his property and waive the permit fee. Vote called. **Motion** carries 5-0.

**ARP Exemption:** Discussion occurred on how to spend the American Rescue Plan money and a resolution will need to be typed for 2021 on how the American Rescue Plan money was spent since the money was not part of the 2021 General Funds Budget.

#### **AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:**

Approval of Separation of SALDO and Stormwater Management

American Rescue Funds and Resolution

Kieffer Road

Brush Area-Contractors

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022–Planning Commission Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022–Board of Supervisor Regular Monthly Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion** was made by Supervisor Bruner and seconded by Supervisor Paul to adjourn at 9:54 p.m. Vote called. **Motion** carries 5-0.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Sara M. Glace**  
**Secretary**