

HALIFAX TOWNSHIP
102 Fisher Street
Halifax, PA 17032
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING
December 12th, 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 7:03 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Supervisors Bechtel, Bruner, Paul, and Schreffler, are present along with Solicitor Bruce Warshawsky, HRG, Inc. Engineer Alex Greenly, Roadmaster Tim Belk, and Secretary Sara Glace. Supervisor McBurney was not present.

RECORDING MEETING:

Halifax Township secretary is the only person reportedly recording the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no executive session held.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

No person spoke under public comment.

SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORT:

Paid Interim Bills: A **Motion** made by Supervisor Paul and seconded by Supervisor Schreffler to approve the paid bills thru December 12th, 2022. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0.

Current Unpaid Bills: A **Motion** made by Supervisor Schreffler and seconded by Supervisor Paul to approve the unpaid bills thru December 12th, 2022. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0.

Meeting Minutes:

November 14th, 2022, Meeting Minutes: A **Motion** made by Supervisor Schreffler and seconded by Supervisor Bruner to approve the November 14th, 2022, Meeting Minutes. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0.

Financial Report: Place on file for audit later.

EMC REPORT:

Chief Tim Neiter was present and did submit a report for November 2022. Chief Tim Neiter advised that he attended the HMP Annual Review that was held November 17th, 2022, at 13:00 and 18:00 at the Dauphin County Conservation District Building near Detweiler Park.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

A report was not submitted for the Planning Commission meeting that was held on December 5th, 2022. The Planning Commission gave Lake Tobias Wildlife Park Aviary Land Development Plan conditional approval. A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Bruner and seconded by Supervisor Paul to grant two Waivers of SALDO: Section 404-Preliminary Plan Procedure and Section 512.9-Parking Analysis Required. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0. A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Bruner and seconded by Supervisor Paul to conditionally approved the Plan with the following conditions/contingencies to be satisfied set forth in HRG, Inc. letter dated December 1st, 2022, Administrative Comments 1 through 4. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0.

ENGINEER REPORT:

HRG, Inc. Engineer Alex Greenly covered his report dated December 9th, 2022, for services during November 2022. Advised the Board of Supervisors that the Camp Hebron Culvert Replacement and the Keiffer Road Survey Base mapping are completed.

RKM Reality (Messick's) Financial Security Reduction: A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Schreffler and seconded by Supervisor Paul to approve RKM Reality (Messick's) Financial Security Reduction from \$118,148.00 to \$94,657.00. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0.

SOLICITOR REPORT:

Solicitor Warshawsky submitted his report dated December 8th, 2022, for services during November. The report will be placed on record. Bold text items are on the agenda.

U & Me Property at the corner of 147/225: Solicitor Warshawsky advised the Board of Supervisors that Katz Property sold the property located at the corner of 147/225 to U & Me Property. The Board of Supervisors advised Solicitor Warshawsky that at this time they would like to wait and see what happens to property.

ROADMASTER REPORT:

Roadmaster Tim Belk was present and submitted a report for November 2022. The report will be placed on record. Roadmaster advised the Board of Supervisors that Jackson Township paid for the Boom Mower, just not picked up yet. The Roadmaster believes that 2012 F-350 has a frame damage from an accident that happened years ago that requires front end work to be done twice a year.

SEO REPORT:

No report to submit for the record since no work was done in the month of October 2022.

FRIENDS OF FORT HALIFAX REPORT:

Bruce Henry, member of the Friends of Fort Halifax, was present and submitted a report for November 2022. Bruce Henry, member of the Friends of Fort Halifax made a request to Halifax Township do another archaeology dig in the Summer of 2023 at Fort Halifax Park. Bruce Henry, presented a Resolution for Archaeology, covering all the details of the dig.

Resolution for Archaeology: A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Bruner and seconded by Supervisor Paul to dispense with the reading of the Resolution for Archaeology. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0. A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Bruner and seconded by Supervisor Schreffler to approve the Resolution for Archaeology. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0.

NUISANCE REPORT:

Parcel #: 29-028-003-Permit-Shed: A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Schreffler and seconded by Supervisor Paul to send a cease-and-desist letter to Parcel #: 29-028-003 because no permit was obtained to build an addition onto the garage. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0.

Parcel #: 29-031-038-Permit-2nd Story Deck: A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Bruner and seconded by Supervisor Paull to send a cease-and-desist letter to Parcel #: 29-031-038 because no permit was obtained to build a 2nd story deck. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Address Assignment for Parcel #: 29-004-055: A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Bruner and seconded by Supervisor Paul to approve addresses 284A Hill Crest Drive and 284B Hill Crest Drive to the two houses located at 284 Hill Crest Drive. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0.

COSTAR 2 Year Electric Contract: A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Bruner and seconded by Supervisor Schreffler to change the Class 1 Street Lights to \$0.17 per every foot of frontage associated with a given parcel and Class 2 Street Lights to \$0.80 per foot of frontage associated with a given parcel. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0.

Escrow Accounts: A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Schreffler and seconded by Supervisor Bruner to accept payments of one half of the professional fees due and owing to Halifax Township from Subdivision/Land Development Approvals for 4 individuals/business owners. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0. A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Schreffler and seconded by Supervisor Paul to dispense going after funds from 2 individuals/business owners. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Andrew Hoover-Building Permit: A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Schreffler and seconded by Supervisor Paul to approve serving Mr. Andrew Hoover a violation once a week due to non-compliance to apply for a building permit for the two new structures on his property. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0.

Zeigler's Nuisance Complaint: Solicitor Warshawsky advised the Board of Supervisors that Mr. & Mrs. Mark Zeigler have a hearing scheduled for December 22nd, 2022, that will most likely be rescheduled until after the New Year.

Keiffer Road: Roadmaster advise the Board of Supervisors that the roadcrew completed driveway entrance.

Ordinance for Drones: Halifax Township Board of Supervisors will not be able to draw up an Ordinance for Drones because the Pennsylvania made a ruling in 2019 that does not allow Municipalities to regulate drones.

Small Festival for 2023-Michael Culp: Michael Culp proposed September 8th through September 10th, 2023, to hold a Small Festival at Fort Halifax Park. He requested to be placed on the agenda for January 9th, 2023, to set the dates for the Small Festival and to propose a resolution.

NEW BUSINESS:

2023 Budget Adoption: A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Paul and seconded by Supervisor Bruner to approve the balanced budget for 2023. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0.

2023 Tax Resolution: A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Bruner and seconded by Supervisor Paul to approve the 2023 Tax Resolution. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0.

Elias Thompson: A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Schreffler and seconded by Supervisor Paul to give approval for Halifax Township to issue a permit for the mobile home and Solicitor Warshawsky draws up an agreement for both Halifax Township and Elias Thompson sign to temporarily place a mobile home on his property. The mobile home must be removed once the permanent home is built. The agreement will be good for eighteen months. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0.

Electrify Truck Fleets for Cleaner Air: No action or discussion occurred.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

Christina Warfel

Small Festival for 2023-Michael Culp

U & Me Property at the corner of 147/225

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

December 26th, 2022-Halifax Township Office will be closed to observe Christmas Day.

January 2nd, 2022-Halifax Township Office will be closed to observe New Year's Day.

January 3rd, 2023-Board of Supervisors Re-Org Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

January 4th, 2023-Auditors Re-Org Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

January 4th, 2023-Planning Commission Re-Org Meeting/Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

January 9th, 2023-Board of Supervisors Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Supervisor Bruner and seconded by Supervisor Paul to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. Vote called. **Motion** carries 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara M. Glace
Secretary