



West Pikeland Township
1645 Art School Road
Chester Springs, Pennsylvania
Board of Supervisors
September 20, 2021

ATTENDING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS	ATTENDING TOWNSHIP PERSONNEL
Charlie Humphreys, Chair	Shane Clark, Chief of Police
Carin Mifsud, Vice Chair	Jim Wendelgass, Township Manager
Harold Hallman III, Supervisor	Melissa Geoghegan, Township Secretary
Dr. Richard Bright, Supervisor	Harry Cowan, Public Works Foreman
Noreen Vigilante, Supervisor	

Mr. Humphreys called the meeting to order on September 20, 2021 at 7:34pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted with the following changes: Approval of Clean Energy Transition Plan Proposal moved from Reports to New Business; PennDOT Discussion added to New Business.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Humphreys requested of the Board any corrections to the Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes from August 24, 2021. The minutes were approved as submitted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board met before the September 20, 2021 Board of Supervisors meeting for personnel and real estate matters. Mr. Humphreys recognized Chief of Police Shane Clark for his attempted rescue of a stranded motorist in the floodwaters on Pikeland Road during Hurricane Ida on September 1, 2021. Also recognized by the Board were the West Pikeland Township Emergency Management Team, the Public Works Department, and Public Works Department employee Anthony Tuski, for his rescue of the Chief of Police during the storm.

REPORTS

Chief of Police Shane Clark: Chief Clark asked that the public be mindful of school buses, and to not move or go around road barricades.

Environmental Advisory Council, Bryan Maher, Chair: The next Shredding Event and Roadside Clean Up will occur in April 2022. The EAC has officially become the Adopt a Highway sponsor of Rt 113 between Just Joe's and Yellow Springs Road.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Wayne Freese, West Pikeland Township Resident: Mr. Freese questioned the signage for detours around the Pikeland Road Bridge closure.



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John Matthews, West Pikeland Township Resident: Mr. Matthews asked the Board to consider reestablishing the old road by the site of the colonial era hospital in Historic Yellow Springs.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Approval of Location for Township Storage Building. Ms. Vigilante motioned to evaluate replacing the Township Storage Building on township owned property located next to Walnut Lane Park and to direct the Township Manager to solicit proposals from Township Engineer EB Walsh and Pioneer Pole Builders for this work. The motion was seconded by Dr. Bright. Voting aye were Ms. Vigilante, Dr. Bright, Mr. Humphries and Ms. Mifsud. Mr. Hallman voted nay. The motion was approved.

Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission Offer. The Board directed Mr. Wendelgass to counter the offer of \$25,000 from the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission with \$35,000 for the property located on Sycamore Lane.

Approval of Backhoe Insurance Offer. Dr. Bright motioned to accept the offer of \$55,000 for the loss of the JCB Backhoe Loader. The motion was seconded by Ms. Vigilante and unanimously approved.

Public Hearing of Phoenixville Regional Comprehensive Plan. Phoenixville Regional Planning Committee member Ed Theurkauf presented a Municipal Adoption Hearings PowerPoint for the Board and public.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Clean Energy Transition Plan Proposal. Dr. Bright motioned to accept the Clean Energy Transfer Plan Proposal from the consultant group, Practical Energy Solutions. The motion was seconded by Ms. Mifsud and unanimously approved.

PennDOT Discussion. Mr. Hallman directed Mr. Wendelgass to request a meeting with PennDOT representatives from District 6 and elected officials representing our area to discuss issues with Art School Road, Yellow Springs Road, Clover Mill Road, the intersection of Rt. 401 and Rt. 113 and Lower Pine Creek Road.

Approval of Bills and Treasurer's Report. Mr. Hallman III abstained from voting on the motion to pay Hallman's General Store EFT dated 8/26/2021 for payment to WEX Bank because of a conflict as the motion provides for a payment from West Pikeland Township to Hallman's General Store.

Ms. Mifsud motioned to approve the Bills and Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Ms. Vigilante and unanimously approved.

Approval of Minimum Municipal Obligation. Ms. Vigilante motioned to approve the Minimum Municipal Obligation. The motion was seconded by Dr. Bright and unanimously approved.



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Approval of Office Copier. Mr. Hallman motioned to purchase a copier for the office. The motion was seconded by Ms. Vigilante and unanimously approved.

Donation of 1405 Yellow Springs Road UPI 34-4-103. Tabled.

Declaration of Disaster Emergency. The Board reaffirmed that the 2020 Declaration of Disaster Emergency is still in effect.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Board of Supervisors meetings are scheduled for Monday, October 4, 2021 at 7:30pm and Monday, October 18, 2021 at 7:30pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hallman moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:09pm. The motion was seconded by Ms. Mifsud and unanimously approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:09pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Geoghegan
West Pikeland Township Secretary