

**South Londonderry Township
Board of Supervisors – Meeting Minutes
Palmyra, PA**

January 3, 2023

Opening Ceremonies and Introduction- The meeting was called to order at 7:10PM by Chairwoman Bucks followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members were present:

Faith Bucks – Chairwoman
Jack Custer – Vice Chairman
William Bova – Member

The following staff members were present:

John Eberly – Township Manager
Bill Reigle – Chief of Police
Frank Chlebnikow – Engineer
Patrick Armstrong – Solicitor
Richie Deibert-Assistant Manager

Public Attendees per sign in sheet:

Mac Bell, Bill and Rosemary Jackson, Elizabeth Southam, Frank Grumbine, Martin Matarazzi, Daniel Larlham, Bea Brown, Dave and Gwen Kendall, Pat and Ed Krebs, Dan Darkes, Josie Ames, Jan Harris, Sandy Harris, J.V. Bennett, Cliff Orley, John Breive, Seth Fisher, Dorothy and Robert Bankey, Pat Stilley, Brad Tipton, Dot Ague, Jane Popko, David Kendall, Kermit Bell, Sarah Misner, and Mark Houser.

Representatives from the Lebanon Daily News recorded the meeting, while ABC 27 also videotaped the meeting.

Dot Ague videotaped the meeting for her personal use.

Public Hearing:

Solicitor Armstrong provided background related to the proposed Resolution 08-2023 as it related to the previously appointed Certified Public Accounting Firm to examine all the accounts for the Township per the Second-Class Township Code.

A motion was made by Custer, seconded by Bova to approve Resolution 08-2023. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

David Kendall inquired about the status of the Township collecting leaves. Manager Eberly noted that DEP has mandated the Township initiate a leaf collection program as described in Act 101 by spring of 2024. More details to follow as the program is developed.

Special Orders:

In recognition of 8 plus years of service to the South Londonderry Township's Police Department, K-9 Officer Rex has officially retired. Chairwoman Bucks presented Officer Ague and K-9 Officer Rex with a special proclamation. Manager Eberly commented that the Township is embarking upon a fund-raising campaign for Rex's replacement. Checks and cash can be dropped off or mailed to the Township Building for the K-9 Fund.

Approval of the Minutes:

A motion was made by Custer, seconded by Bova to approve the December 13, 2022 Board of Supervisors – Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

The December 28, 2022 Workshop Meeting was cancelled.

A motion was made by Custer, seconded by Bova to approve the Bill and Payroll Lists from 25 & 26-2022. Motion carried.

Reports:

Manager's Report- Christmas trees may be dropped off at the Municipal Building and Lawn Fire Company in designated areas through January 15, 2023 for disposal. A letter of support for the Mt. Gretna Sewer Authority to obtain a grant for a Wastewater Treatment Plant Sludge Dewatering Upgrade was submitted on behalf of South Londonderry Township.

Zoning Report- Chlebnikow commented that a Zoning Hearing Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 7:00PM in the Municipal Building.

Solicitor's Report – None.

Other Reports-

Monthly reports were provided for the Police Department, Sewer Authority, Palmyra Library, Historical Commission, Palmyra Parks and Recreational Program, First Aid & Safety Patrol, Campbelltown and the Lawn Fire Companies.

New Business:

Chlebnikow provided a quick overview of the proposed Stormwater Management Plan and Rettew's review on the Rising Sun property. Chairwoman Bucks opened up public comment on this topic, but first mentioned that Mr. Bennett's comments at the last Board meeting are inaccurate from the Township's perspective as the Rising Sun property is not considered a historical structure per the Zoning Ordinance.

Elizabeth Southham endorsed the proposed stormwater plan in an effort to minimize water flowing across 322 onto her property.

Jane Popko inquired if the Stormwater Management Plan was designed to accommodate a 100-year flood. Randy Wright explained the Stormwater Plan design is over-engineered for this property.

Jen & Sandy Harris also endorsed the Stormwater Management Plan as they own the Music Academy and wish to limit the water flowing across 322 onto their property.

J. V. Bennett responded to Chairwoman's Bucks comments that he disagreed that the Rising Sun site is indeed a Historical Site, but does support the Stormwater Plan.

Brad Tipton questioned the 'quality of life', if the Rising Sun venue is allowed to expand.

Dee Brown commented that the County website should be reviewed as it relates to the Historical Site nature of the Rising Sun property.

Frank Grumbine, PHMC - State Historic Commission referenced a letter from 2003 from PennDOT referencing a preliminary list of eligible historical locations in Campbelltown. He shared a brief history of the Rising Sun property as the discussion focused on the possibility of a portion of the property being demolished.

A motion was made by Custer seconded by Bova to approve the requested Alterations of Requirement for Section 304.A – Rate Control associated with the Stormwater Management Plan conditional to Rettew's December 23, 2022 Review letter for the Rising Sun Property. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Bova seconded by Bucks to approve the Stormwater Management Plan conditional to Rettew's December 23, 2022 Review letter for the Rising Sun Property as well as the applicant complying with all the Zoning Ordinances and securing the deemed approvals. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Custer seconded by Bova to approve Part-time Administrative Assistant, Mandy Braden's successful completion of her probationary period along with a new \$17.50 hourly pay rate. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Custer seconded by Bova to approve Municipal Authority employee, Jordan Bishop's successful completion of his probationary period. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Custer, seconded by Bova to approve Resolution 01-2023 Bimonthly Payment of Invoices. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Custer, seconded by Bova to approve Resolution 02-2023 Township Engineer's Fees. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Custer, seconded by Bova to approve Resolution 03-2023 Emergency Services Recognition. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Custer, seconded by Bova to approve Resolution 04-2023 Business Mileage Rate. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Custer, seconded by Bova to approve Resolution 05-2023 Police Pension Contribution. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Custer, seconded by Bova to approve Resolution 06-2023 Fire Hydrant Assessment. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Custer, seconded by Bova to approve Resolution 07-2023 Township Manager's Annual Salary in the amount of \$80,850.00. Motion carried.

Old Business: None

Good and Welfare: Bova requested that residents should not speak negatively about family names associated with projects and instead of the project name to be respectful. Chairwoman Bucks mentioned the Board would be going into Executive Committee after the Board meeting to provide Manager Eberly with his annual performance appraisal.

Adjournment – There being no more business to discuss, a motion by Custer, second by Bova to adjourn the meeting at 8:29PM. Motion carried.

John Eberly, Manager/Secretary