

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
SCHUYLKILL TOWNSHIP  
75 WALNUT STREET  
MARY-D, PA 17952**

The Regular meeting of the Supervisors of Schuylkill Township was held immediately after the reorganization meeting on Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 in the Municipal Building. Those present included Charles Fayash, Gary Feathers, and Charles Hosler. The Pledge of the Allegiance was recited prior to the Reorganization meeting.

Gary Feathers made a motion to approve the December Minutes. 2<sup>nd</sup> Fayash. All approved.

Treasurer's Report

\$649,133.54 total in bank accounts. Charles Fayash made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report pending audit. 2<sup>nd</sup> Hosler. All approved.

Answers to Last Month's Public Questions – none

Public comment on agenda items only – none

Police Report –Criminal Mischief call, suicide investigation, false alarm and assist other agency Discussion ensued regarding the gun proposal

Code Enforcement Report – No Code Enforcement Report Supervisors Feathers asked if there was report for the fire investigation for a wood burner @ 501 W. Broad Street., Tamaqua- Per DiMarco he didn't look into it yet.

Roadmaster Report- Mark Buccieri stated plowed and salted roads, equipment maintenance, patched potholes, cleared drains and culverts of leaves and dirt, cut back trees, storm cleanup, moved salt and cinders, cleaned out gutters on the building. Stork Invoice \$301; Plasters Invoice \$2274.39; Discussion ensued regarding Kingpin estimate. Fegley Oil Heat Invoice \$1894.56 & Diesel Invoice \$1838.38 Fayash motioned to approve Stork Invoice at \$301, Plasters Invoice for \$2274.39, Fegleys Invoices for heating oil for \$1894.56 and for diesel fuel for \$1838.38 2<sup>nd</sup> Feathers-All Approved Fayash made motion for Plasters to fix the Kingpin and wiper motor on Backhoe for the estimate \$3476.41 2<sup>nd</sup> Hosler. All Approved per Feathers the Pole Building should be complete middle of January and are behind and secondary to being done. Discussion ensued regarding fixing the drain by Leskin's. Discussion ensued regarding the pot holes, road paving and storm drains. Discussion ensued regarding the piping that was put in under the road and it not draining properly at the bottom of the road by Kellets in Mary-D. Buccieri stated will go and check the pipes and see what is there.

Solicitors Report- Were the issues abated with John Swenson's property? Move forward with compliant and file. Mutual Aid Agreement with the Police- per Chief DiMarco this falls under the Police Jurisdiction Act.

Zoning Report- 2 Zoning Permits issued Constance Bernetskie, Valley Street Brockton, Roof Mounted Solar Panels, Damian & Julia Shoff Green Street Brockton, Roof Mounted Solar Panels

Committee Reports

Council of Government- did not meet

Tax Collection Committee- met on 12/20/2022 by zoom next meeting 1/24/2023 @ 6pm @ Courthouse

Communications: Hometown Heroes project – collecting applications and payments for 2/15/23 ordering deadline; 2023 Garbage Holiday Schedule

Old Business: No Parking Valley Street Discussion Ensued regarding parking on Valley Street between Supervisors and Chief DiMarco, Engineer states no parking on the right side, discussion continued regarding No Parking on Valley Street, Discussion ensued regarding having the white lines painted on the township roads; Feathers made motion to redo Parking Ordinance, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fayash All Approved ;Township Timbering Supervisors Met with Forester on 12/19/2022. Forester recommend nothing can be timbered in 3 Parcels due to how honeysuckle and other species of plant can take over and smother the area. Once parcel was ok to timber, however that was recommended to Timber in sections. Per Fayash the board has to make a decision as to what they would like to do. Discussion ensued regarding timbering. Fayash motioned to have solicitor check into what needs to be done to revert the property back to the county. 2<sup>nd</sup> Feathers. All Approved The township property that would be kept would be the property where the building sits and surrounds the building. Discussion ensued regarding the deeds and parcel properties.

New Business Hosler made motion for payment to PSATS for Township dues in the amount of \$1009.00 2<sup>nd</sup> Feathers. All Approved; Feathers made motion for payment to Jones & Co. for \$5700.00 for Audit of 2021 2<sup>nd</sup> Hosler, All Approved. Feathers made motion for registering supervisors and Secretary/Treasurer & to register Secretary/Treasurer for the Secretary luncheon and for lodging, meals, and mileage during the Convention. Dates 4/23/23-4/26/23 2<sup>nd</sup> Hosler, All Approved; Discuss Direct Deposit, per Hill some employees are inquiring about direct deposit, other townships will print payroll register and have the payroll register signed by supervisors and secretary. Fayash motioned to set up direct deposit and sign the payroll registers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Hosler, All Approved

Public Comment – Mike Kellet-Mary D- What are next steps for Back Street property? Per Atty he was asked to find out if the situation has been abated if it hasn't been abated they will move forward with filing the petition. Discussion ensued regarding legality of removing someone from their property.

Bob Kupetz- Mary D- In going thru the minutes of 2022 in July 2022 it was stated regarding International property maintenance codes, The solicitor had asked the township to get him a copy of the International property code of 2009, Does the township have this document? Per the supervisors yes the township does it is booklet. Mr. Kupetz asked if there was codes in the book that pertained to blighted properties. Per the board yes this is the code that Atty Baranko is using on the Back Street property. Supervisor Feathers explained that the International property code of 2009 was the last version adopted by the township. Per Hosler there are updated codes however the board has not adopted them. Mr. Kupetz wanted to make sure the township had a copy. Feather stated the township does have a copy and it is also online. Mike Kellet asked the board is this taking longer with Swenson property because of it being from 2009. Per the board and solicitor no that does not make a difference with what they are doing with the blighted property. Discussion ensued with Kellet, board and solicitor regarding the property.

Jim Dino – Times News – What are the towns in township? Reevesdale, Newkirk, Tuscarora, Mary-D and Brockton are the towns. If there is a night for the HTH Banners and extension date for application, let him know he will get it in the paper.

Fayash made a motion to adjourn the meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> Hosler. All approved.

Adjourned

Attest: Denise Hill