

**CENTRE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 27, 2024**

The regular monthly meeting of the Centre Township Board of Supervisors was held on February 27, 2024 at the Centre Township Municipal Building, 449 Bucks Hill Road, Mohrsville, PA. Chairman Jason Troutman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a Moment of Silence. The following were present: Chairman Jason Troutman and Vice Chairman James Fitterling, Solicitor Matt Fessler, Glenn Kraft on behalf of Engineer Ryan Rhode and Zoning/Codes Enforcement Jeff Fiant and Secretary Cheryl Haus.

HEARING OF VISITORS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Wade Houck commented on a safety issue while the road crew was crack sealing and was concerned with safety during the oil & chip project.

Melissa Krishock was in attendance for the agenda item. Supervisor vacancy.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by James Fitterling to approve the January 23, 2024 Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Jason Troutman. Upon roll call, Troutman and Fitterling voted yes.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Jason Troutman and seconded by James Fitterling to approve the payment of bills. Upon roll call, Troutman and Fitterling voted yes.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS/SOLICITORS REPORT – Matt Fessler

A motion was made by James Fitterling and seconded by Jason Troutman to reaffirm the Centre Township payment of \$6,500.00 to the Pocono Beagle Club. Upon roll call, Fitterling and Troutman voted yes.

An update was provided on the Comcast Franchise Renewal. Bossler Road is not included in the area for Broadband Funds. As per Comcast, the cost for adding internet to Bossler Road would be \$29,000.00, township responsibility. Attorney Fessler reviewed the comments provided by his office for the Franchise Renewal.

A motion was made by Jason Troutman and seconded by James Fitterling to authorize Hartman, Valeriano, Magovern & Lutz to negotiate the comments with Comcast. Upon roll call, Troutman and Fitterling voted yes.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Vice Chairman James Fitterling noted that the Road Department has been plowing, fixing pot holes, etc.

A motion was made by Jason Troutman and seconded by James Fitterling to advertise for bids for the 2024 Road Project of oil and chip on Faith Drive, Hope Drive, Jimmy Lee Court, Jill Court, North End Road, Easter Street, Schuylkill Hill Road and Beagle Road. Upon roll call, Troutman and Fitterling voted yes.

A motion was made by James Fitterling and seconded by Jason Troutman to purchase new tires for the loader, approximately \$6,000.00. Upon roll call, Fitterling and Troutman voted yes.

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ENGINEER'S REPORT – GLENN KRAFT

A motion was made by James Fitterling and seconded by Jason Troutman to approve the time extension, until June 18, 2024, for the James & Karen Holcombe annexation on Belleman's Church Road. Upon roll call, Fitterling and Troutman voted yes.

ZONING OFFICER REPORT

Glenn Kraft noted that three building permits were issued in the month of February with a total construction value of \$12,000.00. There were also six building inspections performed and eight zoning ordinance enforcement issues.

SEO REPORT

No SEO report

OLD BUSINESS

The annual report for the ARPA funds must be completed by April 30, 2024. This report must contain projects that the township will be using the funds for. The Attorney will check if the report needs to contain exact amounts used for each project.

Projects being discussed are: EMS, Fire Company, CTMA sewer, replace F-550 truck, addition to road crew building, road projects. This was tabled until the March meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Vacancy

The 30 days required for the Supervisors has expired so a Special Meeting needs to be held by the Vacancy Board by March 8, 2024. Applicants are Melissa Krishock and Timothy Lehner.

A motion was made by Jason Troutman and seconded by James Fitterling to authorize advertising of a Special meeting of the Vacancy Board to be held Monday, March 4, 2024 @ 9:00 a.m. Upon roll call, Troutman and Fitterling voted yes.

A motion was made by Jason Troutman and seconded by James Fitterling to appoint Timothy Spatz to the Centre Township Municipal Authority. Upon roll call, Troutman and Fitterling voted yes.

MISCELLANEOUS

A letter was received from Berks County Emergency Management regarding attendance at 2023 Trainings. The Centre Township EMC attended 3 trainings in 2023.

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HEARING OF VISITORS – GENERAL

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, James Fitterling made a motion, seconded by Jason Troutman, to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m. Upon roll call, Troutman and Fitterling, voted yes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Haus
Township Secretary