

Meeting Minutes
Butler Township Supervisors Meeting

Date: September 9, 2024

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: 2379 Table Rock Rd. Biglerville PA 17307

Members Present: Ed Wilkinson (Chair), Dominic Englebert (Vice-Chair), Victor Woerner (Supervisor), Danielle Helwig (Secretary), Todd King (Solicitor), and Jon Holmes (Engineer)

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wilkinson at 7:00 p.m.

Comments on Agenda Items: NONE

1. Consent Agenda

- July meeting minutes
- August meeting minutes
- Special August meeting minutes
- August payroll
- Bills from September 13th to September 9th
- Financial report as of September 9th

Englebert made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Woerner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Appearance: Bob Sharrah and Claudio Monteleone

Bob Sharrah presented a request for a sewer extension for a proposal of 15 mobile home at the address 2945 Table Rock Rd. Holmes confirmed the next step would be to contact the borough to assess capacity. An addendum to the municipal agreement would be needed.

3. Roadmaster's Report

- Line painting has been completed.
- The International (vehicle) is in the shop and is expected to be fixed soon.
- The salt contract has been rolled over until next year.
- The project with Straban has been taken care of.
- Plainview Road work has been completed.

4. Business:

- Zoning Solar Adjustments

King had discussions with the county regarding the appearance of exclusion of land and soil classes from the solar ordinance. He suggested decreasing setbacks in the industrial district to increase the amount of land available for solar development.

King will speak with the county to prepare maps showing the acreage available for solar development at different setback ranges. The board agreed to review the maps and consider decreasing the setbacks in the industrial district.

- Commercial Dog Kennels

Helwig raised concerns about potential commercial dog breeding operations.

The board agreed to continue investigating the matter if a formal complaint is received.

b. Township Building Project

- Building specifications: Alternates will be included as noted below
 1. Eliminate the floor slab in the garage space labeled room 112. Approx 60'x80'
 2. Eliminate 4 overhead doors on the west side of the building. All four bays would be driven in and backed out from the East side of the building. Doors could be added later.
 3. Eliminate all pavement and apron work on the west side of the building. All four bays would be driven in and backed out from the East Side of the building. Mass grading to ensure no dirt above FFE against the building would still need to occur. Site design is complete, the pavement and apron could be added at a later date.
 4. Eliminate the wash bay from being a drive thru bay. Plan for the wash bay to be about 60' long and a pull in and back out only bay.
- Demolition is included, Holmes will follow up with Ken Staver
- Med Ed Service Upgrade
The board agreed to follow up with Med Ed to clarify the scope of work.
- GMS Consulting Agreement
GMS has agreed to reduce their monthly fee to \$4,000.

Englebert made a motion to approve the amendment to the GMS consulting agreement. Woerner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- Ordinance 2024-1
An Ordinance 2024-1, authorizing a \$3 million note for the new township building.

Wilkinson made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-1. Woerner seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

c. EMC Township Liability Insurance

The annual premium of \$19,714. Helwig noted that the premium increased by \$546.

Englebert made a motion to approve the renewal of the EMC Township Liability Insurance. Woerner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

d. 2441 Biglerville Road Holding Tank Agreement

The applicant requested removing a provision requiring monthly pumping schedule reports to the township. The supervisors agreed that a monthly pumping schedule is required. The agreement should be ready for the October meeting.

e. Municipal Land Use Letter

A Municipal Land Use Letter regarding the Conawago Creek Pollution Reduction Project has been received. The letter was forwarded to Wayne Smith, Zoning Officer for review. Mr. Smith requested Holmes review.

Englebert made a motion to approve the Land Use Letter pending Holmes's review. Woerner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

f. Minimum Municipal Pension Obligation

The minimum obligation for the next year is \$12,125.

A motion was made Englebert to approve the minimum municipal pension obligation. Woerner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

g. State PLGIT Funds

Helwig requested the approval to move \$70,000 from state PLGIT funds to ACNB for Russell Standard (company) work.

Englebert made a motion to approve the request. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

h. Budget Workshop

The board agreed to schedule a budget workshop for September 23, 2024, at 6:00 P.M.

i. Ivan Fisher Updates

No updates on the Ivan Fisher situation or response from the letter.

5. Updates:

Jon Holmes:

- SALDO and Sign Ordinance

Holmes will be reviewing the draft ordinance amendments with Todd King to be ready to present the ordinance amendments to the planning commission next month.

- The Hillcrest Dr project has started the sewer capacity with the borough.
- Donna Scott called about connecting sewer and water to her pole building.

She wanted to know if she could connect to her existing sewer lateral. Holmes told her to contact a plumber to find out and send us a sketch of how it would be done and if it's feasible.

- Oakside Grant review: No SWM is needed for the upgrade to their trails.

Todd King:

Todd King provided an update on the baseball field sale. The Judge is expected to approve the sale on Friday, September 13. Chairman Wilkinson will need to sign the documents.

6. Correspondences

- a. Biglerville Borough Financial Statements and Auditors Report Year-end 2023
- b. Heidlersburg Fire Department Audit
- c. Heidlersburg Fire Department August Call reports
- d. Tax Collector July and August Reports
- e. Land & Sea Services August Report
- f. RTK request 1170 Goldenville Rd

7. Public Comment

A resident commended the road crew for their work on the roads

Another resident raised concerns about speeding on Stone Jug Rd. Helwig will speak with the LT from the State Police about increasing police presence on the road.

8. Announcements

Reminder about the upcoming e-cycling event on September 14th in Arendtsville Borough.

9. With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Helwig, Secretary

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