

Emerald, PA  
April 4th, 2023

Chairman Josh Friebolin called the monthly meeting for Washington Township, Lehigh County Board of Supervisors to order at 7:30 PM at Washington Township Building, 7951 Center St. Emerald, PA.

Members Present – Josh Friebolin, Tim O’Brian; Shawn Wanamaker

Roll Call: Josh Friebolin- Yes; Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tim O’Brian- Yes

Also present were Manager Wade Marlatt and Zoning officer Alberta Scarfaro, Atty., John Ashley

Motion to approve the 4/4/2023 workshop minutes was made by Shawn Wanamaker and seconded by Tim O’Brian

Roll call: Josh Friebolin- Yes; Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tim O’Brian - Yes

Motion to approve the 3/7/2023 minutes of the Board of Supervisors meeting was made by Shawn Wanamaker and seconded by Tim O’Brian

Roll call: Josh Friebolin – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tim O’Brian Yes

Motion to approve February Treasurer’s Report was made by Shawn Wanamaker and seconded by Tim O’Brian.

Roll call: Josh Friebolin – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker – Yes; Tim O’Brian - Yes

Comments on the agenda items: None

#### SUBDIVISIONS:

1. After discussing the plan and noting the outstanding items a motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to consider this a preliminary plan and to approve resolution 2023-09 granting conditional preliminary plan approval for the Grant Street Townes Subdivision and Land Development project at 3686 Main Street Slatedale and seconded by Tim O’Brian.

Roll call: Josh Friebolin – yes; Shawn Wanamaker - Yes; Tim O’Brian - Yes

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

SUPERVISOR COMMENT: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

#### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Road Project bids were opened publicly on 3/30/23 and 1200pm. Tonight the only bid that was received was from AMS and it was read and recommended by Manager Wade

Marlatt. Motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to accept the bid from AMS for \$311545.08 for FB-3 1.5" wearing course for Rextown Road 4089 SY, Mill Creek Road 4504 SY, Grove Street 9659 SY, Oakland Avenue 2159 SY, Bake Oven Drive 1163 SY and Northwood Drive 904 SY and seconded by Tim O'Brian.

Roll call: Josh Friebolin - Yes; Shawn Wanamaker - Yes; Tim O'Brian - Yes

2. Slatedale Park bids were opened and read publicly on 4/3/23 at 1100am. There were two bids received. They were read by manager Wade Marlatt. They were Brucke George Paving & Excavating, Inc for \$236661.79 and from Kobalt Construction, Inc for \$398310.00. Wade Marlatt stated that the engineer reviewed both bids and recommended Bruce George Paving & Excavating, Inc.'s bid. A motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to accept the bid from Bruce George Paving & Excavating, Inc for \$236661.79 and seconded by Tim O'Brian.

Roll call: Josh Friebolin - Yes; Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tim O'Brian - Yes

3. Motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to release the 2023 donation of \$1,000.00 to Eagles Nest Rec seconded by Tim O'Brian.

Roll call: Josh Friebolin - Yes; Shawn Wanamaker - Yes; Tim O'Brian - Yes

4. Motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to appoint Wade Marlatt Temporary Treasurer and seconded by Tim O'Brian.

Roll call: Josh Friebolin – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker - Yes; Tim O'Brian - Yes

5. Motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to add Wade Marlatt to the Signature card for our accounts at Key Bank and seconded by Tim O'Brian

Roll call: Josh Friebolin – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker - Yes; Tim O'Brian - Yes

6. Motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to add Wade Marlatt to the Signature card for the Neffs National Bank Accounts and seconded by Tim O'Brian

Roll call: Josh Friebolin - Yes; Shawn Wanamaker - Yes; Tim O'Brian – Yes

7. Motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to approve the webste design proposal from NASTudios for \$7950.00 and seconded by Tim O'Brian

Roll call: Josh Friebolin - Yes; Shawn Wanamaker - Yes; Tim O'Brian - Yes

8. Motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to approve the Union Contract renewal between the Township and the Teamsters Local 773 for public works employees which includes a 4% annual increase and seconded by Tim O'Brian

Roll call: Josh Friebolin - Yes; Shawn Wanamaker - Yes; Tim O'Brian – Yes

9. Motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to hire Barry Edwards to be part time laborer and Saturday gate attendant at \$15.00 per hour with no benefits and seconded by Tim O'Brian

Roll call: Josh Friebolin – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker - Yes; Tim O'Brian – Yes

10. Motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to approve resolution 2023-08 to allow a Small Flow Treatment Facility at 4261 Clover Hollow Road and seconded by TimO'Brian

Roll call: Josh Friebolin - Yes; Shawn Wanamaker - Yes; Tim O'Brian – Yes

11. Motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to give permission for the Halloween Parade to be held October 28, 2023 with a rain date of October 29, 2023 starting at 6:00pm with necessary roads being closed at 5:00pm. The Parade starts at Grove Street north on Route 873 and continues on Main Street into Walnutport and seconded by Tim O'Brian  
Roll call: Josh Friebolin - Yes; Shawn Wanamaker - Yes; Tim O'Brian – Yes.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Gary Mohr, James Ward, James Wicker and Scott Kocher all from Fury Court in Emerald: They discussed an issue with ATV activity on and around Fury Court. They had already called DCNR and were told to contact the police. They have contacted State Police without resolution. The activity happens mostly between 5:00 pm and dark with it sometimes continuing after dark. They suggest that the Township reach out to the State for assistance. They also suggested that the land owners of the properties around Fury Court who are Dale Deck and The Emerald Fire Company post No ATV signs to discourage them. They stated that they will drive on Dale Deck's property to arrive and continue on to Emerald Fire Company property after passing through the Fury Court area.

The Township responded: We do have limited resources to handle these issues and are aware of it being a problem here and in other areas. The Township will reach out to the State police and ask for assistance and give them the information provided by Gary, James, James and Scott. Any pictures or video that could be provided would be helpful and appreciated.

**MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:05 pm 4/4/23**

A motion was made by Tim O'Brian for adjournment and seconded by Shawn Wanamaker.  
Roll Call: Josh Friebolin- Yes; Shawn Wanamaker - Yes; Tim O'Brian - Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Wade Marlatt  
Township Manager

