

WRIGHTSTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES OF WORK SESSION OF September 12, 2022

The Wrightstown Township Board of Supervisors Work Session was called to order at 5:00 PM on September 12, 2022 by Chair Chester S. Pogonowski at the Wrightstown Township Municipal Building, 2203 Second Street Pike, Wrightstown, PA. In attendance were Vice Chair Jane B. Magne, Treasurer Robert Lloyd, Township Manager Stacey Mulholland, Township Solicitor Vicki Kushto, and Township Engineer Cindy VanHise.

Call to Order 5:00 PM

1. BUSINESS

- A. Salt Bid Contract, Morton Salt.** Chair Pogonowski reviewed the salt bid contracts and Morton Salt had the lowest bid at \$67.76 per ton delivered. Vice Chair Magne suggested awarding the bid at the next Board of Supervisors meeting. The item will be placed on the agenda for approval at the next meeting.
- B. Denny Electric Proposal.** Manager Mulholland stated that with the repairs to the basement due to flooding, an opportunity to do a full building and parking lot lighting assessment presented itself. There is a grant through PECO that would provide funding for half of the cost. David Dutko noted that an upgrade to dimmers would also allow for the intensity of the light to be adjusted. Chairman Pogonowski requested that the quotes be updated for the next meeting.
- C. MMO(Pension Plan).** Manager Mulholland provided the Board with signed copies of the MMOs for Wrightstown Township employees and for the former Wrightstown police officers.
- D. Agenda of September 19, 2022** is to include an executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

2. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Kushto reported that she will have two resolutions to present to the Board at the September 19 meeting. The first resolution concerns the new Liquor Control Board (LCB) noise regulations which supersede the regulations of Wrightstown's amplified sound ordinance. The second resolution would authorize a petition be sent to the LCB asking that Wrightstown be exempt from these regulations. Chair Pogonowski requested these items be placed on the September 19 Board of Supervisors' meeting agenda.

3. SUPERVISORS' COMMENTS

Chair Pogonowski was notified that Michael Sullivan had a company digging core samples for a percolation test for a new septic system. The samples were being removed from Township property. Mr. Sullivan stated that there was an understanding that he would be able to install his septic system on Township property. Chair Pogonowski requested that Solicitor Kushto review the agreement of sale over this matter. Chair Pogonowski said that if there was an agreement, he would like to see the system on the far property and not on the side where the Township building is located. He also requested that Manager Mulholland contact Mr. Sullivan's lawyer to notify his client that he cannot do work on Township property without notice.

4. ENGINEER'S REPORT

- A.** Township Engineer VanHise reported that road repairs are now complete. The paving contractors will start to oil and chip the roads on September 16 and will sweep and fog seal on September 21.
- B.** Engineer VanHise received a complaint about the intersection of Swamp Road and Second Street Pike. There is a section of the roadway where the existing pavement blends with the new pavement and the section is very uneven and dangerous. She contacted PennDot and Horton. They said that the intersection will be completed by the end of the month and the section will be smoothed out.

MANAGER'S REPORT

- A. Dunkin Donuts Water Supply.** Dunkin Donuts will be attending the Board of Supervisors meeting on September 19.
- B. Lingohocken Fire Company Annual Fire Prevention Week and Open House.** Lingohocken Fire Company will be hosting an Open House on October 14 from 6:00 to 9:00 P.M.
- C. Amending Fence Ordinance for 9-foot Deer Fence.** Attorney Ed Murphy's office has requested the Jointure consider changing the fencing ordinance to allow a deer fence to be increased from the current 7-foot height to 9 feet. Chair Pogonowski suggested that the Board consider the request and revisit the matter at another meeting. He would like to maintain the 7-foot maximum, but perhaps add an exception for a 9-foot fence for active agricultural and preserved properties.
- D. Facilities Update.** All basement restoration covered by insurance is complete. There are items such as doors and

dehumidifiers that are being quoted. The contractor will begin installing gutters on the building within the next 2 weeks. The alarm system has been upgraded. Manager Mulholland also received quotes for cameras at Public Works. The quote is \$3,696.00 for 2 cameras and an additional camera would be \$845.00. If the Board wishes to add a fourth camera, Mr. Dutko suggested updating the recorder from 4 channels to 8 channels since the recorders are not expandable. The upgraded recorder is \$429.00. A concern is whether the current internet service at Public Works would be compatible with handling the recording, but this item can be addressed after installation. On a motion by Chair Pogonowski, seconded by Treasurer Lloyd, the Board authorized the purchase of 4 cameras and an 8-channel recorder for Public Works for \$5,815.00; the motion carried unanimously.

E. Township Building Field. Manager Mulholland asked if the Board had a reason why the field adjacent to the Township building was not farmed. Vice Chair Magne noted that was where the Farmers' Market was held until it relocated to the Grange grounds. She suggested that it would make sense for the same person to farm both that field and the one on the other side of the medical office. Chair Pogonowski stated the price of hay is currently so low, the work is not worth it to a farmer.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A brief Executive Session occurred to discuss a personnel issue.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Treasurer Lloyd, seconded by Vice Chair Magne, all voted to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 5:54 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacey Mulholland
Township Manager