

BRIDGETON TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
Minutes of November 13, 2024 Regular Monthly Meeting

The regular meeting of the Bridgeton Township Board of Supervisors was held on November 13, 2024, at the Township Building, 1370 Bridgeton Hill Road, Upper Black Eddy, Pennsylvania. This meeting was also held remotely via Zoom. Present were Supervisor Gard Holby, Supervisor Michael Lynch, and Supervisor Roger Keller (virtual). Also present were Secretary/Treasurer Sheryl Patterson and CC Hopf (virtual). Solicitor Dave Shafkowitz was absent.

Supervisor Holby called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM. An executive session was held regarding matters of employment.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon motion by Supervisor Lynch and seconded by Supervisor Holby which carried 3-0, the minutes from the October 23, 2024 regular meeting were approved.

BILLS/PAYROLL: Upon motion by Supervisor Lynch and seconded by Supervisor Holby, which carried 3-0, the bills and payroll in the amount of \$ 10,096.91 from November 2024 were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Upon motion by Supervisor Lynch and seconded by Supervisor Holby, which carried 3-0, the Treasurer's Report from October 2024 was approved.

REPORTS:

1. Fire Company - No report.
2. Open Space – Bridgeton Nature Preserve update: AMC coordinator Greg has had 8-12 volunteers to help with developing the long trail and significant progress has been made. Bridgeton hired a sub-contractor to fill the “weight pit” and there is now a clear path to that section.
3. Solicitor – No report.
4. Planning Commission – The October 22nd Planning Commission meeting was cancelled.
5. Secretary/Treasurer – No report.
6. B/N/T Groundwater Committee – Report was sent via email.
7. Road Master – The Supervisors are still working on filling the road master position
8. Zoning Officer – submitted a written report to the Board of Supervisors.
9. Emergency Management – Terry Kuntz reported that the Red Cross is meeting on November 14 @ 9 AM at the Township building to see if it will pass their inspection to be used as an emergency shelter.
10. Traffic Committee – a) the Frenchtown Bridge Rehabilitation project will take place March – December, 2025. There will be one lane open in the eastbound direction. Return traffic will use the Milford Bridge; b) Bea Briggs encourages the use of more radar signs and additional signage as Rte. 32 will be used more extensively during this time; c) contact the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission to explore the possibility of speed control signs; d) we need someone to “mine” the data that we have from the current signs.

11. High Falls Creek – a) The contract has been awarded and they are working through some administrative hurdles. b) looking at about a month to a month-and-a-half before a Notice to Proceed can be issued to the contractor; c) they do not expect movement on the project breaking ground until the beginning of 2025; d) dependent on the weather throughout the winter.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) Short Term Rental Ordinance currently working with the Township Solicitor Dave Shafkowitz – hope to circulate comments this week from the solicitor and then make the draft available to those interested.
- 2) Road Master Position – the Township has staff and people working and ready for an emergency; the Supervisors are trying to figure the most optimal and cost effective way to proceed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Upon motion by Supervisor Lynch and seconded by Supervisor Holby, which carried 3-0, the Motion to Advertise Intent to Appoint a Certified Public Accountant to Complete the 2024 Audit was approved.
- 2) Upon motion by Supervisor Lynch and seconded by Supervisor Holby, which carried 3-0, the Motion to Advertise the Proposed 2025 Budget Available for Inspection was approved.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

CC Hopf made comment that the trailer traffic using the Milford Bridge needs to be stopped. We need to go to our State Representative and State Senator to get grants for signs.

Joan Fullerton made comment that the David Kesserman property has a dumpster filled with trash and a camper with trash sitting on it for over six months. She wants to see if there any violations to the zoning code.

Upon a motion by Supervisor Lynch and seconded by Supervisor Holby, which carried 3-0, the meeting was adjourned at 7:49 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheryl L. Patterson
Secretary/Treasurer