

**BRIDGETON TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS**  
**Minutes of September 11, 2024 Regular Monthly Meeting**

The regular meeting of the Bridgeton Township Board of Supervisors was held on September 11, 2024 as advertised, 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 David Shafkowitz was absent.

Supervisor Holby called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM. No executive session was held.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA:**

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Upon motion by Supervisor Holby and seconded by Supervisor Lynch which carried 2-0, the minutes from the August 14, 2024 regular meeting were approved.

BILLS/PAYROLL: Upon motion by Supervisor Lynch and seconded by Supervisor Holby, which carried 2-0, the bills and payroll in the amount of \$ 5,588.63 from September 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 August 2024 was approved.

**REPORTS:**

1. Fire Company – No report.
2. Open Space – Bridgeton Nature Preserve update: there was success with people coming to work on the projects including – cutting wide paths with flatter trails and paths made to the weigh stations. They are looking toward removing some of the metal present on the property. Nine people attended the first week; five participated the following week. On September 14<sup>th</sup>, the AMC & Tincum Conservancy will be leading the operation for the big trail up the mountain – should take one year to complete.
3. Solicitor – No report.
4. Planning Commission – CC Hopf reported that the August 27<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission meeting was cancelled. The final Comprehensive Plan Update 2024 was sent from Bucks County
5. Secretary/Treasurer – No report.
6. B/N/T Groundwater Committee – No report.
7. Roadmaster – a) there are a couple of candidates for the position; the plan is to hire during the fall season and have someone in place by winter. b) the Township participated in the Bucks County Consortium's salt bid and there were four participants that submitted bid proposals. Morton Salt, Inc. had the lowest delivered cost of \$60.95/ton. Supervisor Lynch moved to accept the salt bid proposal and Supervisor Keller seconded it. It was approved with a 3-0 vote. The Secretary/Treasurer will send an award letter to Morton Salt, Inc.
8. Zoning Officer – submitted a written report to the Board of Supervisors.

9. Emergency Management – a) Terry Kuntz reported that the EOP that was approved by the Supervisors at the August 14<sup>th</sup> meeting was sent to Bucks County; b) Emergency shelter – the Supervisors approved the use of the Township building for this purpose – next step is to have the facility inspected by Bucks County and Red Cross – it must be sufficient to house people for three days. Terry will investigate if the building meets the necessary qualifications. c) Terry requested that the township’s website include emergency management information.

10. Traffic Committee – a) new member – Bea Briggs; b) Eric is keeping the radar signs charged; c) suggestion to explore permanent solar signs; d) speeding is still an issue; e) truck traffic has decreased south bound but not north of the bridge.

11. High Falls Creek - a) we will now receive a monthly report; b) contractor is Bi-State Construction – currently the hold up for the project is one TCE not being signed; c) once it is signed, Bi-State Construction will be given a notice to proceed with the project.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1) Short-Term Rental Ordinance: currently working with the Township Solicitor, Dave Shafkowitz.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1) The resignation of the Roadmaster, Rich Pursell, Jr. was accepted by the Supervisors. He served Bridgeton Township for 25 years.

2) Upon motion by Supervisor Keller and seconded by Supervisor Lynch, which carried 3-0, the motion to appoint Gard Holby, Roger Keller, and Michael Lynch as temporary road crew at a grade 3 pay was approved.

**PERSONS TO BE HEARD:**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

1) Bea Briggs mentioned about the washed out areas on Bridgeton Hill Road. The Supervisors will contact PennDOT about repair to those areas.

Upon a motion by Supervisor Lynch and seconded by Supervisor Keller, which carried 3-0, the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheryl L. Patterson  
Secretary/Treasurer