

**TOWNSHIP OF RESERVE
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
July 18th, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Giebel called the meeting to order on July 18th, 2022, at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

Indicated Commissioner Dan Giebel, Commissioner John Kaib, Commissioner Sharon Sweeney, Commissioner Ed Vincent, Manager Natalie Thiess, Solicitor Michelle Cromer (standing in for Nate Boring) and Engineer Gordon Taylor were all present. Commissioner Ron Neurohr was absent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Manager Thiess reported the Board of Commissioners held an Executive Session tonight at 6:00 pm., wherein the following topics were discussed: employment and personnel matters, contracts and policies, actual and ongoing litigation as well as potential litigation and identifiable complaints.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Sharon Sweeney made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted, with a second by Commissioner Dan Giebel. All in favor. Motion carries.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE ADOPTED

None

ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED

1. Motion to legally advertise Ordinance 690: Traffic Control. Commissioner John Kaib made the motion to legally advertise Ordinance 690, with a second by Commissioner Ed Vincent. All in favor. Motion carries.
2. Motion to legally advertise Ordinance 691: Solicitation Amendment, creation of “No Solicitation List”. Commissioner John Kaib made the motion to legally advertise Ordinance 691, with a second by Commissioner Sharon Sweeney. All in favor. Motion carries.

ORDINANCES TO BE ENACTED

a. Motion to approve/deny Ordinance 689: Wireless Towers- Zoning Amendment. Commissioner John Kaib made the motion to approve Ordinance 689, with a second by Commissioner Dan Giebel. All in favor. Motion carries.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMISSIONER SWEENEY –Commissioner Sweeney reported the Township will be starting work on the 2023 budget. The next Township event will be the Annual Halloween Parade.

COMMISSIONER VINCENT – None

COMMISSIONER KAIB – None

COMMISSIONER GIEBEL –Commissioner Giebel read the police report

COMMISSIONER NEUROHR- None

MANAGER’S REPORT

1. Ms. Thiess asked for a motion to approve the Roos Consolidation Plan (AC VPRP). Commissioner Kaib made the motion to approve, with a second by Commissioner Giebel. All in favor. Motion carries.
2. Ms. Thiess gave an update on Geyer Road reporting the road will be closed for stormwater repairs through late summer/early fall.
3. Ms. Thiess announced the workings on the 2023 Budget.
4. Ms. Thiess gave an update on Pittview Slide Wall/Arlington Stormwater. An onsite meeting was held with Allegheny County Conservation District to assess the erosion. It was determined by ACCD that the point source must be addressed before ACCD would consider a grant for the project. The Township may need to start additional work before the grant is approved.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT - None

ENGINEER’S REPORT

1. Mr. Taylor gave an update on the Karen Drive & Arlington Street projects. The contractors are 95% complete. Mr. Taylor asked for a motion to approve/deny partial payment to Jet Jack (Karen Drive) for \$307,462.50. Commissioner Sweeney made the motion to approve the partial payment as stated, with a second by Commissioner Vincent. All in favor. Motion carries.
2. Mr. Taylor asked for a motion to approve/ deny partial payment No. 1 to Nagy (Arlington Street for \$126,952.30. Commissioner Kaib made the motion to approve the partial payment, with second by Commissioner Sweeney. All in favor. Motion Carries.
3. Mr. Taylor asked for a motion to approve/ deny partial payment No. 2 to Nagy (Arlington Street for \$42,146.19. Commissioner Sweeney made the motion to approve the partial payment as stated, with second by Commissioner Kaib. All in favor. Motion Carries.
4. Manager Thiess asked for motion to accept/deny the bid from Shield’s Paving for Karen Drive not to exceed the amount of \$70,000 (per Solicitor confirmation of the contract). Commissioner

Kaib made the motion to approve to accept the bid as stated, with second by Commissioner Sweeney. All in favor. Motion Carries.

GIRTYS RUN REPORT- None

COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS - None

OLD BUSINESS

Manager Thiess said the Township is still working to obtain additional bids to install fencing at the Mt. Troy Floral property. As of now, the Township has received one bid that exceeds the threshold for the formal bidding process.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Thiess announced the dates Jordan Tax Service will be at the Municipal Office for School Tax Collection as August 29th, 2022, from 1pm-4pm & August 31st from 9am to 12pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS—

Dan Cromeans 2101 Lonsdale St.

Mr. Cromeans questioned who is responsible for raising/lowering manhole covers and the inspection of the new paving to ensure that manhole covers, and other plates are flush with the roads. Engineer Taylor replied that contractors are responsible for the proper placement of the utility valves/manhole covers but can sometimes share inspection duties with the engineer. Mr. Cromeans also inquired who is responsible for trimming the overgrowth around guiderails in the Township. It was explained that the County maintains County roads, the State maintains State roads and the Township maintains Township roads. Mr. Cromeans also expressed concern of the tree branch leaning on the wires at Ridgelawn Cemetery. Ms. Thiess believes the wires may be a telecommunication lines rather than electric lines, but it is the property owners who are responsible for trimming trees. With the start of school approaching, Mr. Cromeans spoke of concerns regarding speeding and ignoring the stop sign at the intersection of E. Beckert and Lonsdale St. He suggests installing speed bumps or marking the area with school zone signage. Ms. Thiess stated there are certain requirements that must be met to dedicate a school zone.

Ken Vybiral 2439 Arlington St.

Mr. Vybiral questioned how Township residents will be made aware of the option to sign up for the proposed No-Solicitation list. Manager Thiess said the notification will be posted in the quarterly newsletter as well as on the Township's website. Mr. Vybiral asked whether the partial payments to

Nagy Construction for Arlington St. will come from grant money. Engineer Taylor stated most of the payment will come from the Community Development and Block Grant.

EXT PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT – Manager Thiess announced the next public meeting would be on Monday, August 15th, 2022, at 7PM.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Kaib moved to adjourn the meeting, with a second by Commissioner Vincent. All in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Henschel, Secretary

APPROVED