# TOWNSHIP OF RESERVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING April 15, 2024

# CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Neurohr called the meeting to order on April 15, 2024, at 7:00 PM.

# ROLL CALL

Commissioner Neurohr asked Secretary Shores to call the roll as follows:

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Sharon Sweeney VIA Zoom, Commissioner Rob Stephens, Commissioner John Kaib, Commissioner Ed Vincent, Commissioner Ron Neurohr, Manager Jan Kowalski, Solicitor Nate Boring and Engineer Alex Gesk in place of Engineer Gordon Taylor

ALSO, PRESENT: Approximately 50 visitors

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Ron Neurohr 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.

# MOTION TO PROMOTE OFFICER NICHOLAS ANDERSON TO THE RANK OF SERGEANT

Commissioner Neurohr asked the Board for a motion to promote Officer Nicholas Anderson to the rank of Sergeant. Commissioner Stephens made the motion to promote Officer Nicholas Anderson to the rank of Sergeant, with a second by Commissioner Kaib. All in favor. Motion carries. Scott Henzler from the Civil Service Commission announced that Officer Nicholas Anderson was selected and certified as eligible for the position of Sergeant.

**SWEARING IN CEREMONY:** Loyalty Oaths administered by District Judge Daniel J. Konieczka, Jr.

- Chief of Police: Brandon Morgan
- Sergeant: Nicholas Anderson
- Officer: Larry Butler

## PUBLIC COMMENTS-

Members of the public wishing to speak should indicate such on the sign-in sheet when entering the meeting room. Anyone speaking on a non-agenda item may do so during the public comment period. Anyone speaking on an agenda item will be recognized at the appropriate time.

Per Resolution 612:

- Speakers are limited to five (5) minutes.
- If more than one member of the public is here to speak on a particular topic, please designate one individual to represent the group.
- All comments shall be directed to the presiding officer.
- Any person making offensive, insulting, or threatening remarks may be removed.

**Nick Wasylik** – 1 Highland Ave – Mr. Wasylik had a petition signed by Highland Ave. residents regarding the "No Parking" signs that were recently installed. Commissioner Neurohr addressed Mr. Wasylik and said the Board will take the petition under advisement and appreciate him taking the time to get signatures.

## APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Stephens made the motion to approve the consent agenda, with a second by Commissioner Kaib. All in favor. Motion carries.

#### **RESOLUTIONS TO BE ADOPTED** – None

ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED - None

#### ORDINANCES TO BE ENACTED - None

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**PUBLIC SAFETY CHAIR JOHN KAIB** – Commissioner Kaib read the Police report submitted by Chief Morgan. Commissioner Stephens read the VFD Report.

**PUBLIC WORKS CHAIR ED VINCENT** – Commissioner Vincent had nothing to report.

**FINANCE CHAIR SHARON SWEENEY** – Commissioner Sweeney stated that the 2023 Audited Financial Statements came back with no major findings and the audit revealed that some of the water and sewer billing was incorrect, due to turnover and not having proper training. Commissioner Sweeney thanked Jan and Mia for all of their hard work.

**RECREATION CHAIR SHARON SWEENEY** – Commissioner Sweeney announced that Clean Up Day will be held on Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. and sign-ups can be done on the website.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS/INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS CHAIR RON NEUROHR** – Commissioner Neurohr thanked Judge Konieczka for coming to the meeting to administer the Loyalty Oaths. Commissioner Neurohr congratulated the 2 new promotions and 1 new officer and said that they all made it very easy for the Board to decide on the placements, and the Board wishes them a long, healthy and safe career with the Township.

**MANAGER'S REPORT** – Manager Kowalski stated that the new Pittview wall is getting covered in street art, and if anyone has information on who is responsible, the Township would appreciate the information.

Manager Kowalski gave an update on Logan Street, stating that the guide rail was installed last week and PWSA is expected to start work on the waterline in the beginning of May.

Manager Kowalski stated that Brennan Coleman (Chief of Staff for Lindsey Powell's Office) reached out to her prior to the meeting stating that Councilmen's Wilson's Office just notified him that the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure plans on paving Spring Garden Ave. from Rekees Way to the Township line on Friday April 19<sup>th</sup>.

Manager Kowalski stated that she has a meeting with PWSAs Finance Director on May 7<sup>th</sup> to apply for a Pennvest Grant to pay for the meters that were previously discussed in the O&M Agreement with PWSA, since the PUC needs to know who will pay for the meters.

Manager Kowalski heard from Davis Demographics that SASD has contracted with to do a demographic study population projection for the next 10 years regarding upcoming developments in the Township.

**<u>SOLICITOR'S REPORT</u>** – Mr. Boring had nothing to report outside of Executive Session.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT** – Mr. Gesk stated that the Alternatives Analysis Plan has identified several sewer shed areas that require a reduction in Inflow/Infiltration. An Alcosan Grow Grant Letter of Interest was submitted and will provide Alcosan with repair estimates, flow data and other information to determine the effectiveness of the proposed project.

Mr. Gesk gave the yearly MS4 presentation and provided printouts to the public for review.

Mr. Gesk stated that bidding of the West Beckert Street Storm Sewer Improvements project should start within the next few weeks.

Mr. Gesk stated that the 2024 Paving Program bids are scheduled to open next week, April 24<sup>th</sup> and can be awarded at the next Commissioners meeting on May 20<sup>th</sup>.

<u>GIRTYS RUN REPORT</u> – No representative from Girty's Run Joint Sanitary Authority was present.

**<u>COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS</u>** – Secretary Shores stated that Administrative Staff received a phone call on April 3<sup>rd</sup> thanking Public Works for their efforts with the heavy rainfall on April 2<sup>nd</sup>. If it wasn't for them cleaning out the storm drains on Spring Garden, the flooding would have been much worse. Thank you, Public Works, for all of your hard work.

# OLD BUSINESS - None

## NEW BUSINESS –

• Consideration of Petition for Traffic Calming Measures on Pittview Ave. Commissioner Neurohr stated that the petition will be taken under advisement from the Board of Commissioners.

**<u>NEXT PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT</u>** – Mr. Neurohr announced the next public meeting would be on Monday, May 20, 2024, at 7 P.M.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> – There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Ron Neurohr requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner John Kaib motioned to adjourn with a second by Commissioner Rob Stephens. All in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Mia Shores, Secretary