

**Main Township Supervisors Meeting
January 3, 2023 , 7:00 pm**

First Order of Business

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present for the meeting were:

Randy Rhoads, Chairman	
Pamela Slusser, Supervisor	
Bob Baylor, Supervisor	Adam Eckley, Zoning Officer
Lisa Schell, Secretary	Philip Savidge, Police Officer

Public Attendees: 11

Pam made a motion to appoint Randy Rhoads as temporary chairman for this meeting; Bob seconded the motion.

Appointment of 2023 Officers

Pam Slusser made a motion to appoint the following officers and positions:

Randy Rhoads as Chairman
Pamela Slusser as Vice Chairman
Robert Baylor, Supervisor
Lisa Schell as Secretary/Clerk
Robert Baylor, Jr. as Treasurer

Bob seconded the motion on the officers, all were in favor.

Pam made a motion to appoint the following:

Lisa Schell as vacancy board
Attorney Matthew Turowski as Solicitor
Brior Environmental as Sewage Enforcement Officer
Adam Eckley as Zoning Officer
Ralph Defrain as Emergency Management Director
Randy Rhoads as Police Director
Lisa Schell as Open Records Officer
Philip Savidge as Police Chief, Mike Krolikowski as Senior Patrolman, and Thomas Brown as Defensive Tactic Instructor for a one-year term
Attorney Mike Gregorowicz as the Zoning Hearing Board solicitor
Charlotte Thomas, Marie Gotshall and Joyce Ligousky as Auditors
Randy Rhoads, Josh Shuman, Gerald Bodman, Ronald Rhoads, and Dave Cantore as Agricultural Security Board Members.

Retain First Columbia Bank as the township's depository
Obtain a treasurer's bond for Robert Baylor in the amount of \$200,000
The 2023 Office Hours will be on the 1st and 3rd Monday's from 5:30pm to 6:30 pm

Monthly meeting will be the first Monday of the month at 7:00 pm, unless it is a holiday, which then it will then be held on Tuesday.

Randy made a motion to accept all appointments for 2023; Bob seconded the motion; all were in favor.

The Zoning Hearing Board will reorganize on Monday, January 9, 2023, at 7:00pm.

2023 Wages

Randy made a motion to approve the following wages for 2023:

Zoning Officer	\$15.00
Building Code Officer	As billed by Tri-County Cog
Chief Police Officer	\$17.50
Patrolman	\$16.50
Sr. Patrolman	\$14.50
Instructors	\$14.50
Skilled Laborer	\$15.50
Unskilled Laborer	\$12.50
Secretary/Clerk	\$16,000 annual salary

Bob seconded the motion of the wages; all were in favor.

Randy made a motion that:

Randy Rhoads, Pamela Slusser and Robert Baylor, Jr. be designated Roadmasters

Clifton Orzolek designated as Road Foreman

2023 mileage rate set at \$ 0.65.5/mile

Zoning Fees for 2023:

- Zoning Hearing Board Fee \$800.00
- Appeal of Zoning Hearing Board Finding \$800.00
- Zoning Permit - \$25.00 for the first \$5,000 value of the structure
\$15.00 for the second \$5,000 value of the structure
Then \$5.00 per each \$1,000 over
- Driveway Permit \$125.00
- Driveway Reconstruction \$75.00
- Well Permit \$75.00
- Ordinance Book \$36.00

Appoint Tri-County Cog as the Building Code Enforcement Officer

Retain Todd Pysner as Engineer

Pam made the motion to accept all wages, nominations and appointments made for 2023; Bob seconded the motion; all supervisors were in favor.

Lisa stated the 2023 bidding thresholds are as follows:

- Goods or services that will cost \$22,500.00 or greater for a calendar year requires public bidding.

- Goods or services that will cost between \$12,199.00 and \$22,500.00 for a calendar year requires at least three written or telephonic quotes.
- Goods or services that cost less than \$12,200.00 for a calendar year can be purchased without any formal bidding or quotes

Minutes of Meeting

Randy stated that the minutes were posted to the webpage. Bob made a motion to approve the December 5, 2022, minutes; Pam seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Treasurer’s Report

General Fund

Previous Balance	277,724.45
Deposits Received	23,013.01
Bills Paid	(20,566.35)
Current Balance	<u>280,171.11</u>

Employer Tax Account Fund

Previous Balance	1,073.99
Commonwealth of PA	(134.94)
Current Balance	<u>939.05</u>

Special Account

Current Balance	123,910.39
Transfer to General Fund	0.00
	<u>123,910.39</u>

Fire Tax Account

Previous Balance	57,783.83
Deposit	0.00
Current Balance	<u>57,783.83</u>

State Account

Previous Balance	134,332.05
Interest	459.12
Current Balance	<u>134,791.17</u>

Pam made a motion to approve the December treasurer's report as read; Bob seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Public Comment

Joyce Linguosky asked if a burning ordinance is all or nothing, or could one just be in place for burning of large oversized things such as mattresses, etc. Randy stated that the township does not have a burning ordinance, and if someone is burning items like tires, garbage or has a very large fire to call DEP.

Dave Broadt stated that you can call DEP, but since they are located in Williamsport, there is no guarantee that they will come over. He suggested that she call the Conservation District located on Sawmill Road as well.

Randy stated that if it continues, it would be something the township could look into a burning rubbish ordinance.

Mr. Bodman asked when the UCC Board is reorganizing. Adam stated that the UCC Reorganization meeting will be on Monday, January 9th at 7:30pm, following the Zoning Board Meeting, which was advertised in the newspaper as well.

Dave Broadt provided the 2022 Main Township Volunteer Fire Co. Fire Chief's Report:

Total Dispatched Incidents: 54

(See attached full report)

Ralph P. Defrain stated that he will continue to be the Emergency Management Director for the township; however, the state has raised the level of training for EMA's to be at Pro Level, and he will try to do what he can online, but cannot participate in the courses offered during the day since he works fulltime. He stated that Christopher Anderson from the County stated there are only two people trained at the Pro Level. Most others volunteer to do the job and out of 67 counties, 7,000 municipalities, less than 500 are trained to the Pro Level.

Randy thanked him for doing what he can.

Old Business

New Building and Furnace

Randy stated they are still waiting to hear back from the county on the land development plan that was submitted by Ted Oman.

The three mini-splits will be installed on Thursday and then the furnace work is completed.

Randy stated that Pam and Bob went above and beyond to shop to get quotes for the furnace work.

The quotes received for a ductless heat pump unit were as follows:

Dent Plumbing & Heating - \$23,350

Menco Mechanical - \$14,675.00

HVAC/R (Adam Eckley) - \$15,078.63

The supervisors chose to go with Adam Eckley based upon reputation and schedule.

The mini-splits were added to the work after they met with the contractor, which brought the final work total to: \$19,698.00.

Resolution to Engage a CPA for Auditing

Resolution #2 of 2023 Appointing the Certified Public Account Firm of Herring, Roll & Solomon, PC to prepare and submit the municipal annual audit and financial report of Main Township as of and for the year ending December, 31, 2022 will be adopted at the February meeting.

Fisher Run Road Bridge

Randy stated that he took his own time to contact the state regarding the two stop signs on the Fisher Run Road Bridge. According to Pub. 212 – Official Traffic Control Devices, because of the turn in Fisher Run Road, the stop signs are the corrective application.

(d) Stop and yield control at locations other than intersections.

- (1) One-lane bridges and underpasses. Stop Signs (R1-1) are warranted in advance of a one-lane bridge or underpass when roadway geometry is such that drivers cannot see an approaching vehicle in sufficient time for both vehicles to stop prior to entering the bridge or underpass. If sight distance is not a problem, a Yield Sign (R1-2) with the supplemental To Oncoming Traffic Sign (R1-2a) may be installed at both ends of a one-lane bridge or underpass.

So, this explains the reasons for both Fisher Run Road and Bridge Road.

Wonderview Entrance

Randy stated that the township received a letter from the County Commissioners regarding the entrance issue at Wonderview stating that both township's should discuss. Randy reached out to Catawissa Township, and he was abruptly shut down by them.

Joyce Lingousky stated that she has been at their meetings and believes that is how they act. Joyce also stated that they have now agreed to have a special meeting in January with their solicitor present to discuss the issue.

Randy stated that since they do not want to discuss with our supervisors, and as our solicitor has stated numerous times, it is not Main Township's property or liability, the township will no longer be involved with the matter.

New Business

There was no new business.

Sewage Officer Report

Lisa stated no report was received for the month.

Zoning/Construction Report

Adam Eckley stated he issued one driveway reconstruction permit to Rebeck's.

Adam stated that he is reviewing several permits that will be coming up.

Adam also asked if anyone had any phone numbers or contact information for the Zoning Hearing Board or Zoning UCC Board members to please see he after the meeting, since there is nothing in Larry Frace's files. The meetings are scheduled for next Monday, January 9th at 7:00pm and 7:30pm.

Bob made a motion to accept the zoning report; Pam seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Police Report

Phil provided the December report:

- 1,153 miles
- 152.5 hours
- 61 gallons of gas
- 62 incidents for the month and 849 for the year
- 7 traffic citations
- 1 non-traffic incidents
- 1 criminal arrests for DUI

Phil stated that the township having 849 incidents is higher than any other school district police including Bloomsburg University. Phil just wanted it noted that the township is on the higher end of all other local townships for incidents and feels the township is doing a good job.

Pam made a motion to approve the December Police Report; Bob seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Other

Randy stated that he is considering moving the Public Comments to the end of each month's agenda to cut back on the interaction from the public during the meeting. He feels that this will streamline the meetings and cut back on the questions that come up during public comments, when that topic is on the agenda at a later.

Ralph Defrain stated that is how a number of municipalities have set their agenda. The board gives their report first and then the public can make their comments.

It was noted that this township does a great job on managing their meetings and providing information to the public.

With no further business to discuss, Pam made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm; Bob seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Schell
Secretary