

MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 20, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 6:57 pm with pledge of allegiance being said. In attendance were Andy Miller, James Zieglemeier, Mike Hutchison, Carter Bower, Samantha Bartko, Caryoln Romesberg, Melissa Cramer, Chief Robert Clark, Attorney Ben Carroll, Larry Phillips, and Adam Hemminger. There was one guest, Amanda Coleman.

Mike Hutchison made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 16th meeting. Samantha Bartko seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Amanda Cole from Beer Ream presented the audit for 2023. Mike Hutchison made a motion to accept the audit as presented. Samantha Bartko made a motion to second the audit results. All were in favor. Caryoln Romesberg needed to make a refund to Black Township for over charging the Township for Water for \$660.10. Andy Miller made a motion to refund the money to Black Township and Carter Bower seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Larry Phillips gave the engineer's report. Survey and site plan are done. The placement of the new restrooms was discussed. A new deed will need to be done for the Grove. There is a light out down at Veteran's and Memorial Park. Darr will be contacted to fix it because it is still under warranty. There has been some progress on the Black Township project. A second mailing for income surveys will be taking place soon. There was a motion made by Mike Hutchison to rescind the past motion to turn down the money for the Streetscape project. Samanth Bartko seconded the motion. All were in favor. The streetscape project will return to the agenda. Andy Miller and the engineers from Somerset Engineering had a meeting with Representative Carl Walker Metzgar to discuss the possibility of getting grant money from the state to move forward with the project. The infrastructure needs repair before the streetscape project can move forward.

Samantha Bartko gave the maintenance report. Mike Hutchison made a motion to purchase a DO Meter from USA Bluebook in the amount of \$4573.66. Carter Bower seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Samantha Bartko gave the police report. The police department answered fifteen calls this month. She also reported that some of the missing items were recovered.

Carroll law reported that he is working on a counter proposal with Steve Spokart regarding the Roberta Miller property. He is updating the ordinances for the Borough. Samantha Bartko made a motion to advertise the new speed timing ordinance so it can be adopted at the next meeting on March 19, 2024. Andy Miller seconded the motion. All were in favor. There was also a discussion to have Attorney Carroll send a letter to Kevin Yoder to get all the files and records back to the Borough. Andy Miller made a motion to pay the remainder of a bill of \$16125.00 that is owed to AEG with the check going into an escrow account at Carroll Law and not being send to Kevin Yoder until the Borough receives all its files rather it be on paper or digital form. Mike Hutchison seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Under new business, Andy Miller made a motion to purchase the current Xerox printer in the amount of \$197.00. Carter Bower seconded the motion. All were in favor. Andy Miller then made a

motion to cancel the contract for service for the printer and Carter Bower seconded the motion. All were in favor. Samantha Bartko made a motion to pay the monthly bills. Andy Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mike Hutchison made the motion to approve the purchase of fifty tons of salt for the next winter season. This will be done through costars. Samatha Bartko seconded the motion. Motion carried. Town resident Brad Cessna was on the agenda because he had sewage issues that backed up into his basement. He wanted to know if the Borough could help with the cost of having someone come in to look at his furnace and hot water heater. Caryoln Romesberg was instructed to contact the homeowner and get a copy of the insurance denial letter he got and send it to Carroll Law. An executive session was called at this time for police matters since there would not be any action taken after the executive session everyone was dismissed and the meeting adjourned. Samantha Bartko made the motion to adjourn, and it was seconded by Carter Bower. It was adjourned at 8:30 pm