

## EPHRATA TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING

June 4, 2024

The Ephrata Township Supervisors met this date at 7:00 p.m. at the Ephrata Township Office Building, 265 Akron Road, Ephrata, Pennsylvania.

Present were Supervisors:	Clark Stauffer
	Tony Haws
	Ty Zerbe
Twsp. Manager:	Steve Sawyer
Bookkeeper:	Valerie Roark
Solicitor:	Anthony Schimaneck
Engineer:	Jim Caldwell

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clark Stauffer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS NON-AGENDA ITEMS

A motion to close the public comment period was made by Ty Zerbe. The motion was seconded by Tony Haws and carried unanimously.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Tony Haws to dispense with the reading of the May 21, 2024 Supervisors' Minutes and to approve them as presented. The motion was seconded by Ty Zerbe and carried unanimously.

### STAFF REPORTS

#### Manager Steve Sawyer

- **Jerry Balmer – DEP Planning Module.** A motion as made by Ty Zerbe to approve the DEP Sewage Planning Module for the Jerry Balmer project on Rothsville Road. The motion was seconded by Tony Haws and carried unanimously.
- **Purchase of Brush Cutter Attachment for Skid Loader.** Manager Sawyer presented a proposal from Agriteer (formerly Binkley and Hurst) for the purchase of a Brush Wolf brush cutter attachment for the Township's skid loader for \$6,150.00. Manager Sawyer stated that if the Board decides to purchase the unit, the Township would use our park capital reserve funds to purchase.

A motion was made by Tony Haws to purchase a 60" Brush Wolf brush cutter attachment from Agriteer for \$6,150.00. The motion as seconded by Ty Zerbe and carried unanimously.

- **Ephrata Crossing Phase 3 – Financial Security Reduction.** The Township received a request for a financial security reduction for Ephrata Crossing Phase 3. The Board was provided with a Rettew Associates letter dated May 29, 2024 recommending a financial security reduction of \$250,873.28 which will leave an outstanding balance of \$166,382.14.

A motion was made by Ty Zerbe authorizing a reduction in the financial security for Ephrata Crossing Phase 3 to a new outstanding financial security amount of \$166,382.14. The motion as seconded by Tony Haws and carried unanimously.

- **PennDOT Project – Meadow Valley Road Box Culvert.** Ephrata Township received a press release from PennDOT on May 23<sup>rd</sup> that a PennDOT box culvert replacement project on Meadow Valley Road will begin on June 13<sup>th</sup>. It is anticipated that Meadow Valley Road, between Rettew Mill Road and Royer Road will be closed until August 19, 2024.

**Solicitor – Tony Schimaneck**

Solicitor Schimaneck informed the Board that he did not have anything additional information to report at this time.

**Township Engineer Jim Caldwell** reported that the following plans/projects are in the review process:

- MCC Revised Final Plan – Second Review
- Ephrata Crossing Phase 3 - FSR
- 887 East Main Street – Request for Waiver of LD
- Ephrata Mennonite School – Auto Flusher / SW issue
- Akron Road Culvert Project

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

A motion was made by Ty Zerbe to accept the list of checks written and to pay any bills pending. The motion was seconded by Tony Haws and carried unanimously.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Tony Haws stated that there was no additional correspondence that has not already been discussed.

*June 4, 2024 Supervisors' Meeting minutes continued*

A motion was made by Tony Haws to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. The motion was seconded by Ty Zerbe and carried unanimously.

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Clark R. Stauffer

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J. Tyler Zerbe

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Anthony Haws