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Minutes of the January 2, 2024 Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Plymouth Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 6:10 P.M. at the conclusion of the reorganization meeting by Chairman James Murphy. Supervisors, Joseph Yudichak and Thomas Kachurak; Solicitor, Eugene Kelley and Secretary/Treasurer, Steven Grzyski, were also present.

December Meeting Minutes: Since the minutes were posted for inspection prior to the meeting, *it was moved by Mr. Yudichak, seconded by Mr. Kachurak, to dispense with the reading and to accept the minutes as presented from the meeting on December 4, 2023. Motion passed 3-0.*

Bill List: Since it was posted for inspection prior to the meeting, *it was moved by Mr. Yudichak, seconded by Mr. Kachurak, to dispense with the reading of the bill list and to accept it as presented. Motion passed 3-0.*

Treasurer's Report: Since it was posted for inspection prior to the meeting, *it was moved by Mr. Yudichak, seconded by Mr. Kachurak, to dispense with the reading of the treasurer's report and accept it as presented. Motion passed 3-0.*

Code Enforcement Officer: No report.

Zoning Officer: No report.

Fire Companies: No report, no representatives of the four adjoining municipal fire companies were present.

Road Department: Mr. Vince Wysowski informed the Board that the road department plowed and treated the roads after winter storms, performed winter maintenance on the vehicle fleet and installed a pipe on Flat Road to alleviate water runoff issues.

Lower South Valley COG: Mr. Wysowski relayed that at the recent Lower South Valley COG meeting a discussion took place regarding the Nanticoke/West Nanticoke Bridge and the Luzerne County Council's apparent decision that the bridge will be repaired rather than rebuilt.

Storm Water Awareness: Mr. Wysowski said the road department removed leaves from catch basins throughout the township to alleviate ponding issues on the roads.

Engineer's Report: No report.

Sewer Collection: Mr. Grzynski: total sewer fees collected for 2023: \$40,701.73. Mr. Grzynski noted that sewer collections were down \$924.21 (-2.2%) from 2022.

Solicitor's Report: Mr. Kelley thanked the Board of Supervisors for appointing him and his firm once again as the township's solicitor for the upcoming year. Mr. Kelley also noted that the township is in receipt of a letter from a resident interested in purchasing a property the township currently owns after it demolished a house under the County's Municipal Spot Slum and Blight Clearance Program on Smith Row. Mr. Kelley further explained that an appraisal will need to be completed to determine the value of the now vacant lot before any formal action can be undertaken due to different monetary thresholds.

Old Business: No old business was brought before the Board.

New Business: No new business was brought before the Board.

Public Comment: Jackie Januszewicz, West Mountain Road, thanked the road department for repairing the road in front of her house and inquired about the zoning regulations regarding farm animals in her neighborhood.

Marcea Jacien, Harris Street, spoke on the condition of a property in her vicinity and the condemnation process. Mr. Murphy assured Ms. Jacien that the township is aware of the problem and that the township is working with the solicitor and the code enforcement officer to remedy the situation.

Kathleen Handley, West Mountain Road, alerted the board and the road department that water runoff is ponding on the road by her residence after the recent paving project and she hoped that it could be alleviated as soon as possible especially since it tends to ice up in the winter months.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Board, *it was moved by Mr. Yudichak, seconded by Mr. Kachurak, to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 P.M. Motion passed 3-0.*