

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
925 WEST MAIN STREET
PLYMOUTH, PA 18651

Minutes of the April 1, 2024 Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Plymouth Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Chairman James Murphy. Supervisors, Joseph Yudichak and Thomas Kachurak; Solicitor, Eugene Kelley, and Secretary/Treasurer, Steven Grzyski, were also present.

March 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 March 4, 2024. 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 formal report, however, Mr. Grzyski did note that Barry Isett & Associates Inc. has Magisterial Court on Wednesday, April 3rd and a status conference call with the Luzerne County Court of Common Pleas on Thursday, April 4th.

Zoning Officer: No zoning permits issued in March.

Fire Companies: Mr. Mark Boncal, City of Nanticoke Fire Chief, informed the Supervisors that the Nanticoke Fire Company has contacted PA American Water to test all the fire hydrants in its service area and if need be, service the hydrants should they require any rehabilitation. Mr. Boncal also relayed that the Nanticoke Fire Company will be obtaining a new ladder truck and a new engine later in the year.

Road Department: Mr. Vince Wysowski noted that the road department cleared the township roads of snow/ice/water runoff issues during the month of March. Mr. Wysowski also apprised the Board that they graded Flat Road following winter weather erosion.

Lower South Valley COG: Mr. Grzyski stated the Lower South Valley COG meets every other month in 2024 on the second Wednesday of the month. The last meeting was held on March 13th and the next meeting will be held on May 8th. All meetings are held at the Earth Conservancy at 10:00 AM. Plymouth Township recently paid the invoice for service on the COG paver. The cost of the invoice is split between the municipalities that used the paver in 2023 based on usage.

Storm Water Awareness: Mr. Wysowski said that the road department removed leaves and debris from catch basins throughout the township where needed in March.

Engineer's Report: No formal report but Mr. Grzynski did note that the Supervisors, Pennoni Associates and representatives from PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources will meet on Thursday, April 18th to discuss the application for the Right-of-Way through Pinchot State Forest land.

Sewer Collection: Mr. Grzynski: sewer fees collected to date (1/1/24 – 3/31/24): \$14,535.92.

Solicitor's Report: Mr. Kelley briefly remarked that the Board will act on the agenda items for the renewal of the Cable Franchise Agreement and open bids for the sale of 44-46 Smith Row.

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

New Business: Cable Franchise Agreement – *On the motion made by Mr. Yudichak, seconded by Mr. Kachurak*, the Board of Supervisors approved a Cable Franchise Agreement with Cogeco US (Penn) LLC d/b/a Breezeline. *Motion passed 3-0.*

Bids for Sale of 44-46 Smith Row – Vacant Land Sale. Mr. Kelley informed the public that the sale was publicly advertised in The Citizens Voice on March 15, 2024 and March 22, 2024. Mr. Kelley noted that only bid was submitted, Mr. Kelley opened the bid. Mr. Kelley disclosed that the bidder was TMBMAC Properties LLC in the amount of \$4,000.00. Mr. Kelley further stated that he will review the bid for completeness and make a recommendation for next month's meeting.

Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project Bid Award – David Wieller, Borton-Lawson Engineering Inc. reviewed the bids received on March 22, 2024 and recommended approving the apparent low responsible bidder, Mr. Rehab, LLC with a bid of \$82,706.00. *On the motion made by Mr. Yudichak, seconded by Mr. Kachurak*, the Board approved Mr. Rehab, LLC's bid. *Motion passed unanimously.*

Smith Row Demolition Award – Donald Totino, Pennoni Associates Inc., informed the Board that the township received three (3) quotes for the 6 Smith Row demolition project and the apparent low contractor is Smart Recycling Inc. in the amount of \$13,400.00. Pennoni reviewed Smart Recycling's quote, bonding and all required documents and deemed their quote complete and acceptable. *On the motion made by Mr. Yudichak, seconded by Mr. Kachurak*, the Board approved Smart Recycling Inc. bid. *Motion passed 3-0.*

Public Comment: Kathleen Handley questioned if the properties on Smith Row are two separate properties or the same property and if the township would be able to ascertain the name of the owner of the LLC that purchased the Smith Row property.

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 6:10 P.M. *Motion passed 3-0.*