

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
925 WEST MAIN STREET
PLYMOUTH, PA 18651

Minutes of the July 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. Supervisor, Gale Conrad and Secretary/Treasurer, Steven Grzyski, were also present. Solicitor, Eugene Kelley, was absent.

Prior to moving on to the agenda items, Mr. Murphy asked for a moment of silence to honor former supervisor, Thomas Kachurak, who unexpectedly passed away on June 7, 2024. Mr. Murphy spoke on Mr. Kachurak's time as supervisor and particularly the Hometown Hero banner program, which Mr. Kachurak spearheaded.

June Meeting Minutes: Since the minutes were posted for inspection prior to the meeting, *it was moved by Mrs. Conrad, seconded by Mr. Murphy, to dispense with the reading and to accept the minutes as presented from the meeting on June 3, 2024. Motion passed 2-0.*

Bill List: Since it was posted for inspection prior to the meeting, *it was moved by Mrs. Conrad, seconded by Mr. Murphy, to dispense with the reading of the bill list and to accept it as presented. Motion passed 2-0.*

Treasurer's Report: Since it was posted for inspection prior to the meeting, *it was moved by Mrs. Conrad, seconded by Mr. Murphy, to dispense with the reading of the treasurer's report and accept it as presented. Motion passed 2-0.*

Code Enforcement Officer: No report.

Zoning Officer: No formal report, however, Mr. Grzyski did note that Barry Isett & Associates Inc. issued one (1) zoning permit in June for a new inground swimming pool; total payable to Plymouth Township was \$50.00.

Fire Companies: No formal report, as no representatives of the four fire companies contracted with the township were present; however, Mr. Murphy informed the audience that the Luzerne County engineer recently denied a weight limit exemption on the Nanticoke/West Nanticoke Bridge which was requested by the Nanticoke Fire Department for the use of emergency vehicles responding to the West Nanticoke section of the township.

Road Department: Mr. Vince Wysowski noted that the road department recently paved West Mountain Road, cleared fallen trees after recent storms and cut grass/weeds on the shoulders of township roads.

Lower South Valley COG: Mr. Grzyski stated that the Lower South Valley COG's next meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 10th. All meetings are held at the Earth Conservancy at 10:00 AM.

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

Engineer's Report: No formal report but Mr. Grzynski did note that the demolition of the dilapidated property on Smith Row has been postponed a couple of times but it is scheduled for the week of July 8th.

Sewer Collection: Mr. Grzynski: sewer fees collected to date (1/1/24 – 6/30/24): \$23,590.74.

Solicitor's Report: No report; Mr. Kelley was not present.

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

New Business: Supervisor Appointment – *On the motion made by Mrs. Conrad, seconded by Mr. Murphy*, the Board of Supervisors appointed Joseph Yudichak Sr. as supervisor following the passing of Thomas Kachurak. *Motion passed 2-0.*

Public Comment: Kathleen Handley, Mountain Road, inquired about the painted lines on the bottom of West Mountain Road and if they indicate utility company work on the newly paved road.

Tammy Rynkiewicz, Morgan Street, questioned if the supervisors have looked into possibly using the garage at the Tilbury Community Center to house a fire apparatus in light of the weight limit restrictions on the Nanticoke/West Nanticoke Bridge.

Mrs. Conrad discussed response times of the previous volunteer fire company versus the full time companies now used by the township.

Maureen Murphy, West Mountain Road, spoke on mutual aid emergency agreements with neighboring municipalities.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Board, *it was moved by Mrs. Conrad, seconded by Mr. Murphy*, to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 P.M. *Motion passed 2-0.*