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Minutes of the May 5, 2025 Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Plymouth Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Chairwoman Gale Conrad. Supervisors, Rodney Harmon and James Murphy; Solicitor, Eugene Kelley and Secretary/Treasurer, Steven Grzymiski, were also present.

April Meeting Minutes: Since the minutes were posted for inspection prior to the meeting, *it was moved by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Harmon, to dispense with the reading and to accept the minutes as presented from the meeting on April 7, 2025. Motion passed 3-0.*

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

Code Enforcement Officer: Chip Stalega, Barry Isett & Associates Inc., submitted a report to the supervisors that detailed over 15 hours of site visits to various locations in the township in April. Mr. Stalega also attended two (2) magisterial hearings in April.

Zoning Officer: Mr. Stalega noted that three (3) zoning permits were issued in April; total payable to Plymouth Township was \$200.00.

Fire Companies: Mr. Mark Boncal, City of Nanticoke Fire Chief, informed the Supervisors that their new fire engine is in service and that the new ladder truck will hopefully be in service by the end of the year. Mr. Boncal sought permission to use the old Rec Park grounds for a future training session. Mr. Boncal stated that the nine (9) career fire fighters of their department recently completed aerial training/certification. Also, Nanticoke City Fire Department will hold an open house in May, the details will be posted on Facebook in the near future. Nanticoke Fire will also flow test fire hydrants in the West Nanticoke section of the township. Finally, the week of May 19th, Nanticoke Fire Department will conduct hose training, which in turn, helps lower the ISO rating.

Road Department: Mr. Vince Wysowski reported on the following: completed the road project on West Mountain Road, collected, loaded and transported discarded tires for recycling to a facility in Duryea, PA, cleaned up a illegal dump site on Flat Road, placed Jersey barriers on Route 11 by the Township/Borough line to prevents trespassers, filled a sink hole on Mizdail

Road, cut and removed fallen trees throughout the township and cleaned leaves on Avondale Hill Road, West Nanticoke Heights, Poplar Street, Tilbury Terrace and Park View.

Lower South Valley COG: Mr. Grzynski informed the Board that the Lower South Valley COG will have a meeting on Wednesday, May 14, 2025 at the Earth Conservancy at 10:00 AM.

Storm Water Awareness: As stated by Mr. Wysowski, the road department cleans and clears the storm drains where needed on a monthly basis.

Engineer's Report: No report.

Sewer Collection: Mr. Grzynski: total sewer fees collected 1/1/25 – 4/30/25: \$21,376.53.

Solicitor's Report: Mr. Kelley stated that he had nothing new to report.

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

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

Prior to Public Comment, Mrs. Conrad stated that Barry Isett & Associates is the Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer/Zoning Officer and gets paid by the call. Mrs. Conrad also noted that property taxes have been raised for over 23 years and that there have been over 130 demolitions in the flood plain since 2004.

Public Comment: Tom Ryncavage, Morgan Street, inquired if the new Nanticoke fire apparatus can navigate Heights Road to service the properties on the West Nanticoke Heights.

Rachel Jeffries, Morgan Street, spoke on the need for regular maintenance on Heights Road, the downed trees on the wall on Heights Road, the house on the corner of Mill Street and Heights Road where ongoing construction impedes the view of drivers coming off the hill and the property on Morgan Street accumulating nuisance vehicles on its property.

Chris Yetter, Lamoreaux Street, discussed a neighbor in the area storing boats and other unsightly objects on their property. Mr. Yetter also discussed the lack of winter maintenance on the roads on West Nanticoke Heights after 8:00 PM.

Susan Simms, Lamoreaux Street, noted that there is a neglected nuisance property on Lamoreaux that the neighbors have been trying to get it remedied for over five years.

Dave Bronsburg, West Main Street, spoke on the sewer/septic leak on Main Street and the need to seek grant funding from Luzerne County.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Board, *it was moved by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Harmon, to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 P.M. Motion passed 3-0.*