

**Waterford Township Supervisors
Regular Business Meeting
August 3, 2022**

Chairman Senger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by the salute to the flag. Supervisors Kondzielski and Smith were in attendance as was Roadmaster Jerry Hanas, Secretary/Treasurer Sharon Risjan, Zoning Officer Lindsay Ethridge, Ron Eliason, Dale Blum, Bart Beeman, and 22 interested residents.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Connie DiBacco, 550 Benson Road, was present to discuss a list of items to ask the supervisors. She questioned if there is an ordinance against offensive signs, or is it allowable. If it is allowable, would the supervisors consider changing it. The response was that we have an ordinance for vulgarity. According to the Township's attorney, it is allowable because it is the right of free speech. There is nothing we can do about it. Mrs. DiBacco indicated that the sign says "no fishing" but it is their pond also (shared with another property owner). Again, it was stated that the Township does not have an ordinance that says he cannot put up the sign. Mrs. DiBacco questioned the fence, for which Mr. Patterson did get a permit), and if there is a height restriction. The Township does NOT have a height restriction. Mrs. DiBacco questioned if there is an ordinance against a junk yard, indicating that there are cars, SUVs, a boat that does not run in the pond. Response was that you can have one junk vehicle parked on the property. As far as the equipment, we do not. Mrs. DiBacco feels that this is just against her personally because she asked him to remove the offensive sign. Chairman stated that, as far as the boat being licensed, he does not know legally if it must be licensed to be in his own pond. Mrs. DiBacco indicated that he has cameras on her house and has written things on TikTok. The Zoning Officer stated that, if he continues to put the vehicles on the property, she can do something about it, with proof. Chairman indicated also that we cannot control what he puts on TikTok. Zoning Officer will keep up on this and, if he is doing anything against the ordinances, she will take action.

Shane Patterson, 11963 Hermar Way, explained that he wanted on the agenda to inquire about a possible AirB&B, a small campground, or a cemetery.

Concerned property owners in the area spoke their opinions and concerns about what they had been told, and questioned what Mr. Patterson would be allowed to do with his property.

Zoning Administrator stated that these properties are in an R-1 area, and went on to explain what is allowed in any R1 area – single family dwellings, parks, schools, churches, agriculture, essential services and accessory uses. You cannot put in a mobile home park. He would have to go through the zoning hearing board and everyone around that property would be notified so that they could voice their opinions, either for or against.

Chairman stated that the supervisors believe this is a civil matter because he is not breaking any ordinances of the Township.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Kondzielski, to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2022, Regular Business Meeting, as presented. Vote: 3/0

RECEIPTS

Berkheimer	EIT July	3913.25
PA DCED	ARP—funds that municipalities turned down or did not file for last year	671.47
ADP	Employee insurance contribution	494.74
Berkheimer	EIT July	1509.13
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Berkheimer	LST July	278.15

BILL PAYMENT LIST - attached

Payroll Period 07/09/22-07/22/22 Check Date: 07/27/2022 Cash Required \$16,729.09

Motion was made by Smith, seconded by Kondzielski, to approve payment of the bills, as presented. Vote: 3/0

ROADMASTER’S REPORT – See attached report

- Roadmaster reviewed the Roadmaster Report with Supervisors.
- Discussion ensued on various culverts that need to be replaced. There is funding available and he would like to go after some of that money.
- Flatts Road – they are seeing what funding is available for this.
- Swailes Road – He will talk to Suit-Kote about the driveway we are going to put material on to satisfy the homeowner.

ZONING REPORT – See attached report.

WATER/SEWER AUTHORITY

Water/Sewer Authority Chairman Flory Kondzielski, stated that we received a response from the Waterford Municipal Authority on our requested maintenance agreement, but received a four-page document which, in essence, would have the WMA having total control. This is not what we asked for. A suggestion was made to have our Authority make up a simple maintenance agreement/counter offer and submit it to them.

OLD BUSINESS

Chairman indicated that nothing new has been received on the status of the Niemeyer Road bridge.

Chairman recessed the meeting at 8:15 p.m. to executive session regarding personnel matters. Meeting resumed at 9 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Kondzielski, seconded by Smith, to award the sale of the 2004 Komatsu PC160LC-7KA Hydraulic Excavator to Municibid high bidder, Andy Bengel, for his bid of \$46,200. Vote: 3/0

Motion by Kondzielski, seconded by Smith, to purchase a \$250 gift certificate for Stanley Neal and his wife for mowing, trimming, etc. Vote: 3/0

Motion by Kondzielski, seconded by Smith, to hire part time/seasonal employee Christopher A. Wernicki, at a rate of \$17.50/hour. Vote: 3/0

Applications for full time employment were discussed and tabled to the next meeting.

Regarding the Waterford Fair’s request for two trucks and drivers on Sunday, September 11, 2022, this matter was tabled to the next meeting pending use of the Township’s loader in addition to the trucks.

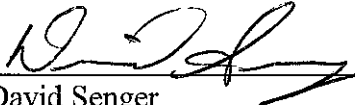
Motion by Smith, seconded by Kondzielski, to approve attendance at the ECATO picnic on August 25, 2022. Supervisor Senger will furnish the door prizes. Vote: 3/0

Motion by Smith, seconded by Kondzielski, to have Chairman Senger sign the Northwest Bank Retirement Plan Service Agreement. Vote: 3/0

CORRESPONDENCE


Dept. of Environmental Protection – Notice of Jason Proper’s required planning module and permits for the small flow treatment facility to replace malfunctioning on-lot system.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Kondzielski, to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 p.m. Vote: 3/0



David Senger
Chairman

9-7-2022
Date



Sharon Risjan
Secretary