



Allen Township Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes October 22nd, 2024 6:00 P.M.

A General Meeting of the Allen Township Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, October 22nd, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. at the Allen Township Municipal Building, located at 4714 Indian Trail Road, Northampton, PA. Mr. Hassler led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

1. **Roll Call:**

Present: Gary Behler; Jason Frack; Dale Hassler; Tim Paul; B. Lincoln Treadwell, Jr., Esq.; Ilene Eckhart, Manager; Tom Gogle, Public Works Crew Leader, and Andrea Martin, Engineer

Absent: Paul Link; Stan Wojciechowski, PE, CME

2. **Announcements and/or Actions to Add New Items to the Current Agenda:** Ms. Eckhart indicated that she had announcements she wished to discuss at the end of the meeting. She stated that action was not needed by the Supervisors.

3. **Public Hearings:** There were no public hearings.

4. **Public to be Heard:** Mr. Behler indicated that he has received concerns from residents regarding speeding in his neighborhood. He stated that the streets that have the most concerns are 32nd Street, Kennedy Drive, Eisenhower Drive, and Center Road. The Board generally discussed placing stop signs, traffic studies, and placing the speed sensor signs on the roads to reduce speeding and to obtain a general census of the traffic speed.

5. **Unfinished Business**

A. **High Meadow Estates Phase 1, Release Request #4 (\$813,436.44):** Mr. Behler made a motion to approve the High Meadow Estates Phase 1, escrow release in the amount of \$813,436.44; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all present Supervisors voted yes.

B. **High Meadow Estates, Phase 2, Release Request #4 (\$28,749.53):** Mr. Behler made a motion to approve the High Meadow Estates Phase 2 release in the amount of \$28,749.53; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all present Supervisors voted yes.

C. **Dry Run Interceptor Bid Award:** Ms. Martin explained that in the packet that the Supervisors received there is a recommendation letter and attached to that is the pricing form that was received from the public bid opening of the Dry Run Interceptor Replacement Project. Mr. Behler questioned if only one bid was received for the project. Ms. Martin indicated that was correct. She stated that the Supervisors could choose to table the project and rebid in the spring or award the bid. Mr. Behler questioned if Ms. Martin felt if the bid was reasonably priced. Ms.

Martin indicated that she did feel it was reasonably priced and that the bid was within \$600.00 of her estimate. Ms. Eckhart indicated that she had the project in the budget for 2025. Ms. Martin indicated that the work would actually take place at the end of November 2024. Ms. Eckhart clarified that it is in the budget for 2024, but she carried it over to 2025. Ms. Martin explained that she gave the bidders 30 days to do substantial completion. She stated that she felt the work should take about a week, however, documentation needs to be completed and a pre-construction meeting as well as submittals will need to take place prior to the work. She stated that the submittals will be for the manholes, and they will need to provide them to make sure that the manholes meet specifications prior to the manholes being ordered. She stated the turnaround time for the manholes will probably be a two-to-three-week turnaround time. She indicated that the substantial completion date is December 9th, 2024, and the final completion date is December 31st, 2024. Ms. Martin explained that the final completion involves stone backfill and stone grading in the area and that a one-year maintenance bond will be required to cover any settling issues.

Mr. Behler made a motion to award the bid for the Dry Run Interceptor Replacement Project to the Linde Corporation for \$59,597.00; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all present Supervisors voted yes.

6. New Business

A. Fire Police Request Tucker Toy Run: Mr. Hassler indicated that the Tucker Toy Run is an annual event where motorcyclists deliver toys to the St. Luke's Hospital for children. Mr. Hassler stated that the Fire Department always provides assistance and the event takes place in November. He stated that traffic control will be needed at the intersection of Rt. 320 and Weaversville Road as well as cover The Kopper Penny, Savage Road, Horwith Drive and towards Liberty Drive. He added that Liberty Drive does not see much traffic though.

Mr. Behler made a motion to approve the Allen Township Fire Police's participation in the Tucker Toy Run; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all present Supervisors voted yes.

B. Executive Session: Mr. Treadwell announced that he wishes to hold an executive session regarding possible litigation.

7. Public to Be Heard: There was no public to be heard.

8. Announcements:

Ms. Eckhart announced that there was a preconstruction meeting with the Stone Ridge Developer and PennDOT. She indicated that the Township will be seeing over the next week or so, signage for the work zone to establish the lane that will come in at the signal at the intersection of Liberty Drive and Rt. 329. She also announced that she received news that the Commonwealth Financing Authority did have the statewide gambling grants, and the Township was awarded \$1,000,000.00 for the building project. Ms. Eckhart indicated that Mr. Hassler spoke with the State Representatives and if other Supervisors did, they should reach out to the Representatives to thank them. Mr. Hassler stated that he wanted to thank State Representative Zach Mako, Senator Miller, and State Representative Jarett Coleman.

Mr. Hassler announced the upcoming meetings. All meetings and events below will be held at

the Allen Township Municipal Building. These meetings and events are as follows:

- Board of Supervisors, Tuesday, November 12th, 2024, 6:00 PM
- Planning Commission, Monday, November 18th, 2024, 6:00 PM

9. **Adjournment:** There being no further comments or business the meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ilene M. Eckhart