WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

112 Municipal Lane Prosperity, PA 15329 July 12, 2022

MEETING MINUTES

Walter Stout, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

In attendance were Supervisors Walter Stout, Charles Hickman and Troy Smith, Secretary Diane Headlee, and township resident Tom Ayres.

- I. <u>Requests to Address the Board/Public Comment.</u> There were no requests to address the Board.
- II. Correspondence and Reports
 - 1. Received Correspondence:
 - On June 29, the township received a check for \$778,638.37 for Act 13 Impact fee monies for 2021 drilling operations. This amount reflects an increase of \$311,180 over last year, and is the largest amount of Act 13 revenue received by Washington Township since the legislation was enacted in 2011. A budget for the Impact Fee Fund will be prepared and presented for approval in August, 2022 per the Act 13 regulations.
 - Pursuant to our letter requesting a contribution for the updating of some of the playground equipment at the township park, we were advised last week of a \$5,000 contribution from CONSOL Cares. To date, we have received \$10,000 (\$5,000 each from Consol and EQT) toward the project. We are currently awaiting a response from the DCNR regarding the park grant we applied for.
 - 2. The Planning Board did not meet on July 7th, as there were no items for consideration.
 - 3. Zoning Hearing Board: No meeting necessary.
 - 4. Park Board: No meeting scheduled.
 - 5. Roadmaster's Report
 - The road crew completed the Greene Valley and Porter Street Waterline Project reclamation. Primarily, they have been leveling and patching holes in preparation for tar and chipping the applicable roadways. They also worked to remove trees and limbs from the township roads, performed lawn maintenance at the park and the office, and performed necessary equipment maintenance.
 - 6. Solicitor's Remarks:
 - Solicitor was not present. He is working on the driveway permit on Route 18 as discussed at the June meeting.

III. Discussion & Action Items

A. <u>Routine</u>

- 1. The Chairman asked the Board for a motion to approve the agenda with an addendum. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Troy Smith. Motion carried.
- 2. The Chairman asked the Board for a motion to approve the June 14, 2022 regular meeting minutes with no additions or corrections noted. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Walter Stout. Motion carried

B. <u>Specific</u>

- 1. Business Operations
 - a. Transfer of ARPA Funding to General Fund and Payment to SPWA

Pursuant to the American Recovery Plan (ARP) funding usage regulations, it is recommended that \$47,600 of the \$52,334.61 received in 2021 be transferred to the General Fund, and subsequently paid to the Southwestern PA Water Authority toward the overall cost (\$247,006.48) of the recently approved Waterdam Road waterline extension project. The Chairman asked the Board to approve the transfer of these funds and that payment be made to the Southwestern PA Water Authority. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Walter Stout. Motion carried.

b. Approval of Treasurer's Report for period ending June 30, 2022

	<u>General</u>	Liquid Fuels	Machiner	<u>ARPA</u>
Beginning Balance Revenues Expenditures	\$ 342,147.38 71,151.60 <u>-31,688.62</u>	\$ 159,589.87 59.03 - <u>0.00</u>	\$ 22,512.38 1,362.62 <u>-300.00</u>	36.43
Ending Balance	\$ 381,610.36	\$ 159,648.90	\$ 23,575.00	\$ 4,852.93
	Fire Fund		Impact Fee	
Beginning Balance	\$ 10,836.34	Beginning Bala	nce	\$ 1,762,362.05
Revenues	708.28	Revenues - Inte	erest	1,300.80
Expenditures	- <u>50.00</u>	Oth	er	778,638.37
		Expenditures		<u>-6,702.80</u>
Ending Balance	\$ 11, 494.62			
		Ending Balance	•	\$2,535,598.42

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve the Treasurer's report for the period ending June 30, 2022 and direct that it be filed for audit. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Troy Smith. Motion carried.

c. Bills & Transfers for Approval for All Funds for June, 2022

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve the payment of the June, 2022 bills, payroll and intra-fund transfers, as listed on the attached, from the following accounts:

General Fund	\$ 34,658.18	
Machinery Fund	200.00	
Fire Fund	50.00	
Liquid Fuels Fund	0.00	
Impact Fund	<u>208,304.53</u>	
Total Bills, Payroll & Transfers	\$ \$243,212.71	

The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Walter Stout. Motion carried.

d. Renewal of Workers' Compensation Insurance Policy

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to renew and award the Workers' Compensation Insurance Policy to UPMC Health Benefits, Inc., through the Marthinsen and Salvitti Insurance Group at an annual premium of \$5,059, with an effective date of August 8, 2022. The new 2022 premium amount reflects a \$180 reduction from 2021. The motion was made by Troy Smith and seconded by Charles Hickman. Motion carried.

2. Operations, Buildings, Grounds & Highways

a. Purchase of CAT PR121 Power Box Rake

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to purchase a new PR-121 Caterpillar Hydraulic Power Rake for our Caterpillar Track Loader from Cleveland Brothers under the COSTARS State contract #4400019950, at the quoted price of \$13,821.00, to be paid for from the Impact Fee fund. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Walter Stout. Motion carried.

3. <u>Township Supervisors</u>

- a. Agreements, Contracts
 - 1. <u>Heavy Hauling Agreement Renewals EQT Production Co.</u>

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve the oneyear renewal of Heavy Hauling Agreements, dated July 1, 2022 with EQT Production Co. for the following township roads: Bailey Hollow Road (T-561), Craig's Run Road (T-558), Craynes Run Road (T-551), East Dividing Ridge Road (T-657), West Dividing Ridge Road (T-658), Fisher Hollow Road (T-559), Good Hill Road (T-557), Pettit Road (T-409) and Wilman Hill Road (T-552) for a fee of \$300.00 per roadway, pursuant to the approved Schedule of Fees. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Troy Smith. Motion carried.

2. Approval of Settlement Agreement-EQM Gathering OPCO-Oak Lane

Pursuant to mutual agreement, the Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve the Settlement Agreement and Release of Claims between the Washington Township Board of Supervisors and EQM Gathering Opco, which provides a one-time damage payment in the amount of \$3,820.80; with said amount to be used to purchase stone to restore Oak Lane to township standards as required under the Heavy Hauling Agreement signed on February 10, 2016. The motion was made by Troy Smith and seconded by Walter Stout. Motion carried.

IV. New Business

In the near future the Supervisors and Water Authority will need to schedule an information meeting with the residents on Waterdam Road regarding the installation of the waterline project.

V. Information & Announcements

The following roads or portions thereof are scheduled to be tar and chipped this year by the successful bidder, Youngblood Paving: Hemlock, Hickory, Pettit, West View, Shamrock, Constance, Arrowhead, Park East, and Green Valley. The work is tentatively scheduled to be done in late July, (approximately the 25th and 26th) depending on the weather.

Upcoming Meetings

- Supervisor's Regular Meeting, Tuesday, August 9, at 6:30 p.m.
- Planning Board, Thursday, August 4, at 7:30 p.m.
- Zoning Hearing Board, as needed.
- Park Board, as needed.

VI. <u>Public Comment/Questions</u>

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m. on a motion by Charles Hickman, seconded by Troy Smith, with all voting 'aye'.

s/Walter S. Stout Chairman

s/P. Diane Headlee Secretary/Treasurer