

ATHENS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
April 4, 2024 5:30 PM Special Meeting

Chairwoman Tressa Heffron called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Also present were Supervisors Bonnie Petruschak, Ron Reagan, Matt Moore and Cori Lasco. Solicitor John Thompson, Director of Public Works Chuck Wright, Treasurer Ruth Casterline and Secretary Meagan Carling were also in attendance. Tressa led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chuck Wright began the Moore Road Bridge / Miller Road Bridge discussion by introducing speakers Aaron Crist (PennDOT), Kurt Brungard (Larson Design Company) and T. Thompson (Central Bradford Progress Authority) to provide information on both the temporary and permanent bridge option plans currently under review.

Ace Dolin represented the Auditors to speak about the annual Auditors Report. He verified filing, receipt and acceptance of the audit by Pennsylvania completed March 23, 2024 and suggestions for the current years' auditing process.

On motion of Tressa, seconded by Ron; motion passed to accept the Planning Commission recommended disapproval on the Garnsey, Jeffrey / 3-lot subdivision (#24-01), based in part the current plan submitted 3/4/24 does not comply with existing zoning in that the home occupation building will not have a principal structure on the same lot (Section 434B1 of the Zoning Ordinance), which will cause it to become a commercial use in the Agriculture District which is not permitted (Section 310 of the Zoning Ordinance), and because no applicant was present to confirm that the application represents their current intentions.

Chuck Wright discussed additional information requested regarding the Purchase Order for 2023 International Snowplow Truck and General Service Dump-box presented at the 3/27/24 regular meeting; both items are verified to be on COSTAR approved contracts. On motion of Matt, seconded by Cori, opposed by Ron; motion passed to approve the purchase in the amount of \$144,514.37 from account #430.740.

On motion of Ron, seconded by Bonnie; motion passed to approve the PennDOT Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement; designees to be determined.

Chuck Wright discussed building maintenance attention needed for the men's room ceiling, issue with the plumbing / pipes leaking; will have someone come to advise and quote for repairs.

Chuck Wright spoke about bid award letters being mailed and Roadway Contracts setting up scheduling and sequencing meetings for upcoming projects; potential date for paving / aggregates meeting with G. O. Hawbaker for April 18th as Chuck and Matt will be available to attend.

Chuck Wright announced Jon Waldenburg as Roads Foreman effective 3/28/24.

On motion of Cori, seconded Bonnie; motion passed to approve, sign and execute Chief of Police MOU.

On motion of Bonnie, seconded by Matt; motion passed to approve payment for Ronald Reagan attending PSATS Boot Camp Training Session.

On motion of Ron, seconded by Bonnie; motion passed to approve Purchase Order for underground utility marker and locator in the amount of \$1942.94 from account #430.260.

On motion of Tressa, seconded by Ron, motion passed to amend the Resolution 2024-10 Fee Schedule adopted 3/27/24.

Voice of Residents:

Matt Cooper asked about the Township's repayment ability for the Moore Road Bridge options and process to confirm if funds will be available and if it is feasible to do.

Charles Lawton of Erin Road questioned if for the Moore Road Bridge temporary option would require another separate bypass to be installed for the building process of the permanent structure.

Paul Kelley of Moore Road commented that Satterlee Creek needs work done to remove trees and rocks that have built up over time.

Chairwoman Tressa took the board into executive session at 7:12 PM for personnel. The special meeting reconvened at 8:51 PM.

There being no further business, on motion of Ron, second by Bonnie; it was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Meagan Carling
Athens Township Secretary