

**HAINES TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
APRIL 20, 2023**

On April 20, 2023, at approximately 6:30 p.m., Chairman Daryl Schafer called the regular monthly meeting of the Haines Township Board of Supervisors to order. The meeting was held in the Haines Township Building located at 153 S. Rachel's Way in Aaronsburg, PA. The call to order was followed by the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence. In attendance: Chairman Daryl Schafer, Vice-Chairman Delmer Homan, Supervisor Randy Ream, Secretary-Treasurer Kimberly Claar, Roadmaster Mark Hosterman, Tax Collector Andrea Vonada, PVEMS Representative Bari Deaven, HWMA Secretary-Treasurer Tracy Ridenour, HWMA Chair Tonya Witmer, HWMA Vice-Chair Julie Shaffer, Surveyors Fred and Kathy Henry, Business Owner Beth Cowher, CCMPO Representative Anne Messner, Resident Derek Hart, Resident Tom Kobb.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

Anne Messner, Centre County Planning Organization requested that the board work on updating the long-range transportation plan for Haines Township. Notes from the February 2019 workshop were handed to all board members and the township secretary. Ms. Messner also mentioned that the board can schedule a work session, with her if needed to complete the update requested.

Kathy Henry, Henry Surveying presented the Minor Land Development Plan request for Joseph and Sarah Hostetler and a proposed new Amish School Building for Board approval. Daryl Schafer moved to approve the Minor Land Development Plan for Joseph and Sarah Hostetler and a proposed new Amish School Building. Delmer Homan seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

Vote: D. Homan – Yes D. Schafer – Yes R. Ream – Yes

Beth Cowher presented information to the board regarding selling PA-made wine and distillery items via farmer market permits. Mrs. Cowher then requested that the board move to approve selling PA-made wine and distillery items via farmer market permits at her business Olde Village Mercantile. Mrs. Cowher presented verbal information from various sources backing up her request. Once Mrs. Cowher was done with her presentation the Haines Township Zoning officer asked the board to table their vote as there are zoning issues that need to be resolved before moving forward. The board unanimously agreed.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

Delmer Homan moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented for 03/16/23. Daryl Schafer seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

Vote: D. Homan – Yes D. Schafer - Yes R. Ream – Yes

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Daryl Schafer moved to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented for 04/20/23 and file for audit. Randy Ream seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

Vote: D. Homan – Yes D. Schafer – Yes R. Ream – Yes

ROADMASTER REPORT:

Mark Hosterman stated he submitted a grant application for a Dirt and Gravel Roads project on Ingleby Road and is also getting a quote to repair the culvert on Ingleby Road. Also, Mr. Hosterman mentioned that he was contacted by Miles Township to go in with several townships to purchase a paver that will help with patching roads. The Supervisors and Roadmaster are to visit Miles Township to discuss details. Finally, Mr. Hosterman reported that they have put in 3 new culverts, two on Cemetery Rd. and one on Middle Rd. along with grading roads as needed.

PERMITS: For March: Bureau Veritas (2) and Zoning (6)

REPORTS:

Haines Township Planning Commission – No report.

Penns Valley Regional Planning Commission – Chairman Schafer reported that at the most recent meeting, they discussed ATV road access. Penn Township and Miles Township have adopted ordinances and Gregg will adopt one at their May meeting. The hope is to start discussing regional issues such as Amish safety issues, equipment sharing, and combined grant writing and submissions.

Haines-Aaronsburg Municipal Authority – Township Secretary reported on behalf of HAMA representative that all residents serviced by HAMA were notified of the waterline project along with the information being posted at the Post Office, Township Building, and website.

Haines-Woodward Municipal Authority – Tracy Ridenour reported that she has resigned from HWMA effective immediately. Ms. Ridenour also mentioned she plans to retire from Haines Township Road Crew in September 2023. All Water Authority items have been turned over to the remaining board members.

Penns Valley Emergency Medical Services, Inc. – Bari Deaven reported they are in the process of tweaking the PV-wide donation agreement. There will not be many changes and not asking for more money.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Board of Supervisors had previously reviewed the listed correspondence. The only action taken was the Board of Supervisors reviewed and discussed the resignation email for the Haines-Woodward Municipal Authority Secretary/Treasurer. Delmer Homan moved to accept the resignation effective immediately. Daryl Schafer seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

Vote: D. Homan – Yes D. Schafer - Yes R. Ream – Yes

OLD BUSINESS:

Dutch Fall Festival Update: Kimberly Claar reported that vendor recruiting is going well. Sponsorship opportunity forms will start going out and the entertainment lineup is almost set.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolutions for the 2023 PSATS Conference – The board discussed a few resolutions that will be voted on at the PSATS conference. Daryl Schafer will vote at the conference on behalf of the township.

Daryl Schafer moved to pass the EMS Week Proclamation, a proclamation designating the week of May 21-27, 2023, as Emergency Medical Services Week in Haines Township. Randy Ream seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

Vote: R. Ream – Yes D. Homan – Yes D. Schafer – Yes

ADJOURNMENT:

Randy Ream moved to adjourn the April 20, 2023, monthly meeting of the Haines Township Board of Supervisors at approximately 8:11 p.m. Daryl Schafer seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

Vote: D. Schafer – Yes D. Homan – Yes R. Ream – Yes