HAINES TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SEPTEMBER 21, 2023

On September 21, 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, Roadmaster Mark Hosterman, Secretary-Treasurer Kimberly Claar, Tax Collector Andrea Vonada, HWMA Chair Tanya Witmer, HWMA Vice-Chair Julie Shaffer, HAMA Secretary-Treasurer Patricia Valentine, Zoning Officer Chris Dobson, Bureau Veritas Official Kristin Fultz, Henry Surveys/Mease Assoc. Kathy & Fred Henry, Resident Tom Kobb, Resident Linda Claar, Resident Peggy Hoover, Resident Ben King, Resident Amos King, Resident Amos King Jr., Resident John King, Resident Bill Watkins

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Amos King requested to speak about the culvert proposed to be installed on his property. Mr. King would like to meet with supervisors and the roadmaster on Friday, September 22 at 8:00am to finalize how the culvert will be installed. Peg Hoover questioned the future of Middle Road. Middle was just resurfaced with stone but Ms. Hoover would like to know what is next.

REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: Kathy Henry from Henry Survey/Mease Assoc. requested the supervisor's approval of the Dinge's Subdivision. Ms. Henry stated that all of the subdivision is taking place on the Penn Township section of the parcel. Delmer Homan moved to approve the subdivision plans presented. Daryl Schafer seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

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

MINUTES APPROVAL:

Daryl Schafer moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented for 08/17/23. Randy Ream 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 09/21/23 and file for audit. Randy Ream seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

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

ROADMASTER REPORT:

Mark Hosterman reported that they have been busy doing after-storm cleanup. The Middle Road resurfacing project is done. Mr. Hosterman also reported that the crew has started mowing again and will start doing a culvert replacement project on Ingleby Rd at the High Top Gun Club entrance. Mr. Hosterman requested the supervisors look at the roads for budget purposes.

PERMITS: For August: Building (0) and Zoning (4).

REPORTS:

Haines Township Planning Commission - No Report

Penns Valley Regional Planning Commission - No Report

Haines-Aaronsburg Municipal Authority – Patricia Valentine reported they will hold their next meeting their new office located at 337 E. Aaron Square. Mrs. Valentine thanked the Township for assisting with getting the word out regarding the water being shut off.

Haines-Woodward Municipal Authority – Tanya Witmer reported that the final pay apps on project #2 have been submitted. A new project will start in May 2024.

Penns Valley Emergency Medical Services, Inc. - No Report

Zoning Officer – No Report

CORRESPONDENCE: The Board of Supervisors had previously reviewed the listed correspondence and unanimously voted to accept the retirement of Tracy Ridenour effective 9/15/2023.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dutch Fall Festival Update – Vendors spaces are being finalized. Still looking for a worship band/choir to perform on Sunday morning. Advertising has started and will continue up to the start of the Festival. Fire police have been contacted. Mr. Greenland is graciously letting us use his vacant lot for parking. Set up will begin on Friday, October 6.

Salt/Cinder Shed – Chris Dobson, Zoning Officer spoke to Chris Schnure from Centre County and determined the Township does not need any storm water or land development plan to build a Salt/Cinder Shed. The township will have to complete a zoning application with a letter from the county stating the above along with 2 sets of engineered drawings. Kristin Fultz from Bureau Veritas went over building code requirements with the supervisors. Ms. Fultz stated that the first step with this project is to have a compaction test done on the area of land designated for this project.

NEW BUSINESS:

Daryl Schafer motioned to appoint Peg Huey to the HWMA Board to fill the vacancy through the end of the 2024 term. Delmer Homan seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

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

Daryl Schafer moved to switch to Highmark Health Plan. Randy Ream seconded the motion and the motion was carried. Vote: D. Schafer- Yes R. Ream – Yes D. Homan – Yes

Daryl Schafer moved to adopt Resolution No. 07-2023, a resolution appointing Mary F. Conklin to a three-year term to the Zoning Hearing Board. Randy Ream seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

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

Daryl Schafer moved to adopt Resolution No. 08-2023, a resolution appointing Derek Hart to a three-year term to the Zoning Hearing Board as an alternate. Randy Ream seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

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

Daryl Schafer moved to declare the Board's intent to hire a CPA to perform the 2023 Township audit and advertise the same intention. Delmer Homan seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

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

All Present Board members agreed to set the 2024 budget meeting dates for October 10th beginning at 2 P.M. & October 12th beginning at 3 P.M. The dates and times will be advertised.

ADJOURNMENT:

Randy Ream motioned to adjourn the September 21, 2023, monthly meeting of the Haines Township Board of Supervisors at approximately 8:05 P.M. Delmer Homan seconded the motion, and the motion was carried. Vote: R. Ream – Yes D. Schafer – Yes D. Homan – Yes