

**HAINES TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OCTOBER 17, 2024**

On October 17, 2024, 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 337 E. Aaron Square 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, PV EMS Rep. Bari Deaven, Residents Martha Futhey and Curtis Stover.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Curtis Stover suggested that the Board look into Veteran Flags on poles in town.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

Delmer Homan moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented for 09/19/24, 10/14/24, & 10/15/24. 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 10/17/24 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 reported that a grant application was submitted to Centre County Liquid Fuels Program. Mr. Hosterman also reported the new salt/cinder spreader was mounted on the truck and is working and they worked on painting the plow bought from Penn Township. He also reported that the Kubota Tractor is not working properly and was taken to Dotterer Equipment for repairs. Finally, Mr. Hosterman reported that they are prepping for winter and will be collecting leaves from November 4th - 27th.

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

REPORTS:

Haines Township Planning Commission – No report.

Penns Valley Regional Planning Commission – No report.

Haines-Aaronsburg Municipal Authority – DEP Compliance Reporting done on time.

Haines-Woodward Municipal Authority – DEP Compliance Reporting done on time.

Penns Valley Emergency Medical Services, Inc. – Bari Deaven reported that things are going well and provided a news article regarding the price of a new ambulance. Ms. Deaven also reported that the cooperative agreement between PV Municipalities and PV EMS is to be finalized at the November meeting. Municipalities can give there ½ Mill at any time during the year. Ms. Deaven is also willing to stay on as our PV EMS Representative for another year.

Zoning Officer – No report.

Tax Collector – No report.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Building Code Agency Proposals (2025 Budget): Daryl Schafer moved to adopt a second building code agency (PV Code) for the 2025 budget year. Randy Ream seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

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

**Once a Zoning Permit is secured, residents will now have the option to choose Bureau Veritas or PV Code when submitting a Building Permit.

Dutch Fall Festival Update –Received very positive feedback that the festival was much improved from the previous few years. I am happy to report there was continued improvement with the festival. We had 17 Sponsors totaling \$6,000.00 in addition to the use of a UTV, Tractors, and People Mover, vendor spots reserved were down, but we doubled the amount of Quilt Raffle Tickets sold, and the return of old-time demonstrators, along with the addition of The Cool Bus and Face Painting. We also had an improved entertainment schedule. The non-profits sold out of food on both days. We will continue working with the ACC board to improve the festival. Recommendation to retain any festival profit as start-up money for the 2025 festival for additional children's activities. Also, Boy Scout Richard Wasson completed his Eagle Scout Project of 20 new benches for Don Wert Memorial Park. Ceremony to be held soon.

NEW BUSINESS:

Daryl Schafer moved to tentatively adopt the 2025 Annual Budget for Haines Township. Randy Ream seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

Vote: D. Homan – Yes R. Ream – Yes

The public inspection period for the proposed budget will be advertised and made available to the public. The proposed 2025 budget has no tax increase. The formal adoption is set for Tuesday, November 19, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT

Randy Ream moved to adjourn the October 17, 2024, monthly meeting of the Haines Township Board of Supervisors at approximately 7:34 p.m. Delmer Homan seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

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