HAINES TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NOVEMBER 19, 2024

On November 19, 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 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, Tax Collector Andrea Vonada, Residents - Tom Kobb, Harry Ward, Jane VanHeyst, and Jack VanHeyst.

REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: Jack & Jane VanHeyst questioned the Board about the Notice of Violation they received. Stated they are making an effort to become compliant. The VanHeysts also questioned how long the Zoning Officer has been with the township and if that position is appointed or elected.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Harry Ward asked for an update on the complaint he filed previously.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

Delmer Homan moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented for 10/17/24.

Randy Ream seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

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

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Daryl Schafer moved to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented for 11/19/24 and file for audit.

Delmer Homan seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

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

ROADMASTER REPORT:

Mark Hosterman reported that the Kubota Tractor is fixed and back in service. Mr. Hosterman also reported that 15.5 loads of leaves have been collected so far and they have touched up a few things for HAMA, cleaned out culverts, and are prepping for winter.

PERMITS: For October: Building (3) and Zoning (7).

REPORTS:

Haines Township Planning Commission - No Report

Penns Valley Regional Planning Commission - No Report

Haines-Aaronsburg Municipal Authority – Kimberly Claar reported there will be a rate increase on 1/1/25 and the overall Water Treatment Plan improvement project has been delayed a few months. Expected completion is September 2025.

Haines-Woodward Municipal Authority – No Report

Penns Valley Emergency Medical Services, Inc. - No Report

Zoning Officer – Received an email requesting a 1-year Conditional Use Extension on the Cell Tower.

CORRESPONDENCE: The Board of Supervisors has previously reviewed the listed correspondence.

OLD BUSINESS: - None

NEW BUSINESS:

Randy Ream moved to purchase the 2022 Massey Ferguson 4710 tractor with the remaining warranty.

Final price \$37,975.00. Delmer Homan seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

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

Daryl Schafer moved to adopt Resolution No. 07-2024, a resolution fixing the real estate tax rates for the year 2024, including an increase. Randy Ream seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

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

Daryl Schafer moved to adopt Resolution No. 08-2024, a resolution appointing the accounting firm of Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP to examine all the accounts of the Township for the fiscal year 2024.

Randy Ream seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

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

Randy Ream moved to adopt the 2025 Annual Budget for Haines Township as it was prepared and made available to the public. Delmer Homan seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

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

The Board unanimously agreed to set the January 6, 2025, Organization/Business meeting for 5:00 P.M. The rest of the 2025 regular monthly Board meetings will convene at 6:30 P.M. as follows: February 20th, March 20th, April 17th, May 15th, June 17th, July 15th, August 28th, September 18th, October 16th, November 18th, and December 18th. The 2025 meeting schedule was advertised.

ADJOURNMENT:

Randy Ream motioned to adjourn the November 19, 2024, monthly meeting of the Haines Township Board of Supervisors at approximately 7:50 P.M. Daryl Schafer seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

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