

**APRIL 14, 2022
THURSDAY, 3:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:

Chairman Robert H. Rohner, Jr. called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.M. Also present were Theresa Laino, Vice Chair, Sean Logsdon, Township Solicitor, Mike Lamoreaux, Township Engineer (via telephone) and Edwina Wolfe, Assistant Secretary. Aaron Springs, Supervisor was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 10, 2022:

Motion made by Mr. Rohner second by Ms. Laino to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2022 meeting. Unanimous.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 7, 2022:

Motion made by Mr. Rohner second by Ms. Laino to approve the minutes of the April 7, 2022 meeting. Unanimous.

AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF THE BILLS ON LIST #1, LIST #2 AND THE TRANSFERS AS PRESENTED:

Motion made by Mr. Rohner second by Ms. Laino to approve the payment of the bills on List #1, List #2 and the transfers as presented. Unanimous.

ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS; ALL FUNDS, FOR THE MONTH ENDED JANUARY 31, 2022:

Motion made by Mr. Rohner second by Ms. Laino to accept the financial statements; all funds, for the month ended January 31, 2022. Unanimous.

ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS; ALL FUNDS, FOR THE MONTH ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2022:

Motion made by Mr. Rohner second by Ms. Laino to accept the financial statements; all funds, for the month ended February 28, 2022. Unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. BRISCO MT. ROAD CULVERT:

Roadmaster Tim Rohner contacted LTAP and they will be coming to assess the road condition. Mr. Lamoreaux asked if the wetlands document has been signed. Robert Rohner answered the document has been signed and returned to their office. Mr. Lamoreaux commented the survey has been completed and they are waiting for the delineation proposal.

2. BUSHKILL OUTREACH & COMMUNITY CENTER PROJECT – COMMUNITY PARK DEED CHANGE:

Mr. Logsdon has added the language required by the state to the deed. All that needs to be done is the deed to be signed and notarized. This will be done today. Mr. Logsdon will take care of filing it with the county.

3. BIG EGYPT ROAD – VACATING: PUBLIC HEARING TO BE SCHEDULED:

Tabled.

4. ZONING ORDINANCE AND SUBDIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS:

Mr. Logsdon has submitted the drafts of the Zoning Ordinance and the SALDO to the Board of Supervisors for their review, and will present them both to the Planning Commission at their meeting tonight (April 14, 2022). There was a discussion regarding changing the zoning of the Art Center to General Commercial and the 500 acres surrounding the Art Center from residential to General Commercial. There needs to be more discussion on this subject before a final decision is made. Additionally, Mr. Logsdon will present these proposed changes to the Planning Commission tonight.

5. LEHMAN PIKE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES:

LPEMS Susanne Duffy gave the update EMS update:

Between 3/9/22 at 0600 and 4/14/22 0600 LPEMS has received 144 dispatches. Of those dispatches, 50% (72) had an incident type as BLS (Basic Life Support) and 50% (72) had an incident type as ALS (Advanced Life Support). Of those 144 calls, they were unable to respond to 7 calls (5%), as the units were already committed to other dispatches. And, of those 144 calls, they responded to 23 calls (16%) as mutual aid assists for other agencies.

The breakdown of dispatched by Municipality is as follows:

- Lehman Township: 102 (71%)
- M. Smithfield 588: 19 (13%)
- M. Smithfield BEC: 10 (7%)
- Delaware Twp: 12 (8%)
- Dingmans Twp: 1 (1%)

The service has remained in service 24/7 since 3/9/22 with at least one vehicle in use, even though there were a few times when vehicles required some form of repair. Crews are doing an amazing job, and they have received very positive responses from our residents.

Lauren Wood, Tarah Decker and Sue Duffy were invited to speak at Saw Creek's Board of Directors workshop last Saturday (April 9). Our presentation was well-received. They were presented with bouquets and a donation to LPEMS in the amount of \$500. Some of the Board members took a quick tour of our BLS and ALS vehicles. Thank you to Brett Keane and Matt Snyder for accompanying them.

On April 9 the chase vehicle was taken to the funeral of Bushkill Firefighter James Owens to pay our respects.

On April 10th crews made the vehicles available for the children attending the Lehman Township Easter Egg Hunt to walk through. Thank you to Ciarra Calabrese, Brett Keane and Tarah Decker.

LPEMS is sending out a letter to the East Stroudsburg North campus to notify them that they are now the primary EMS provider. They will also ask if they would like the ambulance service to participate in their upcoming annual Mock-Crash on May 6.

As the presentation to Saw Creek was so successful, they will be sending out letters asking other Lehman Township communities if they would like them to attend one of their monthly meetings to provide information and answer any questions they may have about the new ambulance service.

An order has been placed for a second Lifepak15 cardiac monitor. This was done in preparation for the soon to arrive ambulance. Stryker, the company that sells the monitors, had advised that if we wanted to receive the monitor this year it should be ordered as soon as possible. This is due to the fact that there is a current 4–6 month backorder for the Lifepak monitors.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. APPROVE POCONO DESIGNS PROPOSAL:

Motion made by Mr. Rohner second by Ms. Laino to approve the Pocono Designs Proposal. Unanimous. The contract will be for \$865 per lot for general maintenance and \$540 for seasonal maintenance.

2. SELL TOWNSHIP TRUCK AT AUCTION BY SHETRON AUCTION & EQUIPMENT LLC:

Motion made by Mr. Rohner second by Ms. Laino to approve the sale of the 2009 Mack GU 71 with plow and spreader at auction by Shetron Auction & Equipment LLC. Unanimous.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Mr. Logsdon asked if there has been any advertising for the Pike County ARPS money. Mr. Rohner said Bushkill Outreach is submitting an application. Mr. Logsdon will look into possible funding for the Ambulance Service, blight funding, etc. and will file an additional application for funding.

POCONO MT./PIKE COUNTY COG REPORT(S):

None.

ROADMASTER/PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:

Roadmaster Tim Rohner gave the following report:

Work continues on trucks and equipment. The crew has been out plowing and cindering the roads. The parking lot repairs have been completed on the parking area for the EMS crew. Work continues on the ambulance building. Service was done on the Explorer for the recall.

The final clean-up was done and the signs have been removed at the recycling sites at Ranchlands, Pine Ridge and Tamiment. Trees were removed on Creek Road and Mink Pond Road. Ryan Murphy passed the CDL "A" test. The township roads have been broomed and pot holes were repaired. The shoulders on Mink Pond Road and East Sugar Mountain Road have been repaired. The crew started to remove the spreaders from the trucks. The Case skid steer was serviced by Medico. The vacuum truck was rented and all drains on township roads with grates and catch basins were cleaned. Garbage cans on Creek Road have been put out for trout season. The crew went to L-TAP flagger training class on April 5, 2022. The crew picked trash on Winona Falls Road on April 13th and 14th. A total of 48 bags were picked up. An additional 10 bags of trash were also picked up from Winona Falls Road along West Sugar Mountain Road on April 14th. Benches have been installed on the field by the playground. There was a good turnout for the Easter Egg Hunt on April 10th.

The next Road Task Force meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2022.

Mr. T. Rohner asked Mr. Lamoreaux if the bridge repair over Bushkill Creek is scheduled. Mr. Lamoreaux had no update. However, he did inform Mr. Rohner that the repair on the East Sugar Mountain bridge is scheduled for June 2022.

Mr. T. Rohner received proposals for crack sealing of the township roads from Burke in the amount of \$45,341.00, for the township building parking lot \$7,578.00, and for the annex parking lot \$1,588.00. Pocono Spray Patch bid the following amounts; township roads - \$16,141.00, township building parking lot - \$6,614.00 and the annex parking lot - \$1,047.00. Phone calls were made to AMS, but there was no response from them. Motion made by Mr. Rohner second by Ms. Laino to award the contract to Pocono Spray Patch.

Mr. Lamoreaux discussed the installation of a propane heating system in the township building. The first thing that needs to be done is asbestos testing on the old system. He will get a proposal together and estimates the cost for the new system to be between \$150,000 and \$200,000.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- 1. Litigation against William Merritt, Dahlia Merritt, Cindy Toscano, Chris Donohue, Jose Perdomo, Camila Perdomo, Jessica Cline, Matthew Cline and Kadejea Lattimore.**

Litigation with Northeast Site, John Sivick and Boucher and James.

Possible Litigation with PennDot.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:42 P.M. made by Mr. Rohner second by Ms. Laino. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by,
Edwina Wolfe
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Assistant Secretary

