

**SEPTEMBER 8, 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 and Edwina Wolfe, Assistant Secretary. Aaron Springs, Supervisor was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 11, 2022:

Motion made by Ms. Laino second by Mr. Rohner to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2022 meeting.

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

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

PUBLIC WELL HEARING – YENGENIYA PAVLOVA, 316 WHIPPOORWILL DRIVE, POCONO RANCH LANDS:

Mr. Rohner opened the hearing at 3:04 PM. There was a court stenographer reporting the proceedings of the hearing. This report is a part of these minutes on file. Motion made by Ms. Laino second by Mr. Rohner to approve the waiver for the location of the new well. The hearing was closed at 3:32 PM by motion of Ms. Laino second by Mr. Rohner.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. BRISCO MT. CULVERT:

Tabled.

2. BUSHKILL OUTREACH & COMMUNITY CENTER PROJECT:

Mr. Lamoreaux is waiting for the final comment from DCNR. Once this is obtained, he will send the bid dates to the supervisors for approval. He estimates a start date for the building to be April 2023.

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

Mr. Logsdon is still working on the changes to the SALDO, the Zoning Ordinance is ready. Mr. Rohner said he expects approval to be on the agenda for the October or November supervisors meeting.

4. LEHMAN PIKE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES:

Lehman Pike EMS administrator Susanne Duffy gave the following report:

Between 8/11/2022 at 0600 hours and 9/8/2022 at 0600 hours LPEMS has received 108 dispatches. Of those dispatches, 43% (46) had an incident type as BLS (Basic Life Support) and 57% (62) had an incident type as ALS (Advanced Life Support). Of those 108 calls, we were unable to respond to 2 calls (2%), which were both due to our being committed on other calls. And, of those 108 calls, we responded to 22 calls (20%) as mutual aid assists for other agencies.

The breakdown of dispatches by Municipality is as follows:

- Lehman Township: 73 (67%)
- M. Smithfield 588: 12 (11%)
- M. Smithfield BEC: 12 (11%)
- Blooming Grove: 2 (2%)
- Delaware Twp: 6 (6%)
- Dingmans Twp: 3 (3%)

We have remained in service with at least one vehicle in use 24/7 with the exception of a few hours during which we participated in services and remembrance of a member of the EMS community who was lost last month.

Our red ambulance was unable to be repaired in house and has been sent out; we are still waiting for word as to the exact cause of the engine failure. Our white ambulance was sent for EMS inspection, and it passed. We will finish getting that ambulance ready for permanent use once we have another ambulance available to take its place in order to do so. And, with that said, we are expecting our first Braun ambulance to arrive in Lehman Township around Wednesday of next week. As soon as the Braun is in and ready for stocking, we will schedule an inspection with the EMS Council.

Garage doors are in for the Winona station; they should be installed sometime next week.

We have had several meetings with Poconos Park regarding their upcoming Cowboy Luau Festival. We are almost completely prepared for the event, which is scheduled for September 16-17.

Insurance reimbursements are improving. We are still having issues receiving Medicaid and Medicare reimbursements but the billing company is working on that.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. ROAD NAME CHANGE – MOUNTAIN LAUREL BLVD TO POCONOS PARK BLVD:

Motion to approve the road name change from Mountain Laurel Blvd to Poconos Park Blvd made by Ms. Laino second by Mr. Rohner.

2. APPROVE VETERAN’S REAL ESTATE EXEMPTION FOR PATRICIA PURCARO:

Motion to approve veteran’s real estate exemption for Patricia Purcaro made by Ms. Laino second by Mr. Rohner.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Mr. Logsdon informed the supervisors a new fireworks act (Act 74) goes into effect September 9, 2022. This will allow for more control over commercial fireworks.

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

No report.

ROADMASTER/PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:

Work continues on trucks and equipment. Trees and brush have been trimmed on Brisco Mt. Road. Mt. Pocono Fence was in to work on the fence at Lehman Community Park. The crew has been working on cleaning up from clean up days. The white ambulance passed inspection. The roads were broomed for line painting. Midlantic Marking was in to paint road lines on August 16th. All roads have been completed. All fire extinguishers were tested on August 22nd. A new 15” culvert pipe has been placed on Roosie Road. Trucks #912, #920 & #921 passed state inspection. Concrete was poured at the Kuzava building. New tires were put on trucks #921 & #917. Site lines have been mowed and the township recycling site has been cleaned. The parking lots at the annex and township building were seal coated. Reflective post strips have been added to stop signs on township roads. Black top has been placed over culvert repairs on Thurner Road, Brisco Mt. Road and Roosie Drive. Classic Operator Training was completed for the gas & diesel tanks. The new street signs were put up in Poconos Park. The Blues Festival and Car Show on August 14th had a good turnout. The next Road Task Force meeting will be held on September 15th.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Litigation with Northeast Site, John Sivick and Boucher and James

Litigation with PennDot

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:48 P.M., and go into executive session made by Mr. Rohner second by Ms. Laino. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by,
Edwina Wolfe
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Assistant Secretary