

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, Aaron Springs, Supervisor, Sean Logsdon, Township Solicitor, Mike Lamoreaux, Township Engineer and Edwina Wolfe, Assistant Secretary.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 13, 2022:

Motion made by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2022 meeting. Unanimous.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 26, 2022:

Motion made by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to approve the minutes of the October 26, 2022 meeting. Unanimous.

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

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

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

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

ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS; ALL FUNDS, FOR THE MONTH ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022:

Motion made by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to accept the financial statements; all funds, for the month ended September 30, 2022. Unanimous.

BID OPENING – 400 TONS OF 9.5 MM 564-22 WEARING:

No bids were received. Mr. Logsdon informed the supervisors they are free to seek out a price deemed to be the best and purchase as needed.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. BRISCO MT. CULVERT:

Tabled.

2. BUSHKILL OUTREACH & COMMUNITY CENTER PROJECT:

Mr. Lamoreaux announced the project will be available for bid Tuesday, November 15, 2022.

3. ZONING ORDINANCE AND SUBDIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Mr. Logsdon has both ads ready to be published. He will send them to Mr. Rohner to be published.

4. LEHMAN PIKE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES:

EMS supervisor Sue Duffy gave the following report:

Between 10/13/2022 and 11/9/2022 LPEMS has received 99 dispatches. Of those dispatches, 56% (55) had an incident type as ALS and 44% (44) had an incident type as BLS. Of those 99 calls, we were unable to respond to 5 (5%) calls, which were due to our being committed on other calls. And, of those 99 calls, we responded to 15 (15%) calls as mutual aid assists for other agencies. The breakdown of dispatches by Municipality is as follows:

- Lehman Township:	74	(75%)
- M. Smithfield 588:	10	(10%)
- M. Smithfield BEC:	5	(5%)
- Delaware Twp:	5	(5%)
- Dingmans Twp:	1	(1%)
- Blooming Grove:	1	(1%)
- Porter:	1	(1%)
- Other Monroe:	2	(2%)

We finally received an AED and 2 manual stretchers from Stryker, and are expecting delivery of 2 stair chairs Friday, 11/11. We still do not have a delivery date for the Lifepak 15 monitor that was ordered.

The ambulance we purchased from NJ had radios, cameras, and Knox box installed and also had graphics completed. We also received word from Elite Ambulance in MN that the ambulance ordered from them is ahead of schedule and may be delivered in the beginning of December.

The Winona Falls station is almost ready as well; a washer/dryer was purchased and the water lines are being run. I would like to pick up the furnishings sometime next week. With all of this in mind, I would recommend that as soon as we have an official delivery date on the MN ambulance, we schedule graphics, radios, and then licensure inspection for both ambulances and the Winona Station all at once. I say this because it is difficult to get staff from the EMS

Council to come to our area or to have our staff bring vehicles out to them. And since they need to be present to inspect the station, this seems to be the wisest choice.

We have three new employees in the process of finalizing their hiring requirements so that they can begin their orientation. We have also received multiple applications for employment that we are looking at.

We have begun to schedule AEMT students for precept time. We have also had a request from a Monroe County EMT student to do his ride-along time at LPEMS.

Reimbursements are still slow but they are coming in. As previously stated, the majority of our patients are Medicare/Medicaid/Non-insured, so our reimbursement average still hangs in the area of 28% of what was billed.

We provided EMS coverage for the Haunted event at Poconos Park. Everything went well, and there are no more events scheduled at Poconos Park until May 2023.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NORTH CAMPUS SECURITY & SAFETY:

Lehman Township Supervisors invited the school district superintendent Dr. Riker and Chief Mills to attend this meeting, they both declined. The supervisors have been advised of security issues at the north high school. All school board members were contacted (either by phone, email, or both) to ask what is going to be done about these issues. The supervisors were not satisfied by the responses. Mr. Logsdon has prepared a letter to be approved by the supervisors to be sent to all school board members. The supervisors will try to make an appointment to meet with Dr. Riker and Chief Mills to discuss their concerns.

2. PROPOSED BIU CONTRACT RESOLUTION FOR PRICE INCREASE:

Mr. Logsdon will look over the document received from BIU regarding the price increase and prepare a resolution.

MISCELLANEOUS:

1. THE SUPERVISORS WILL CONDUCT A 2023 BUDGET MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2022 AT 9:00 A.M.:

Mr. Rohner announced the supervisors will conduct a 2023 Budget Meeting on Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 9:00 A. M.

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

Ms. Laino reported all bids for road material were tabled with the exception of one which will be sent out via email.

ROADMASTER/PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:

Roadmaster Tim Rohner gave the following report –
Work continues on trucks and equipment. The crew is still cleaning up from clean up days. J.D. Morrissey was in to pave Brisco Mt. Road, Roosie Road, and Thurner Road. The township recycling site has been cleaned up. The crew has started to bring spreaders and snow plows to the township building from the park. The spreaders were installed on trucks #909 & # 916. Ten loads of anti-skid have been received. The crew put top soil on the shoulders of Municipal Drive by the ball field. J.D. Morrissey was in to put top soil on the shoulders of additional roads that have been paved. Guidemark was in to paint the lines on roads that were paved. Old truck #915, the recycle truck, truck #915, and the Mack truck all passed state inspection. Four loads of treated salt have been ordered. Work continues on the Kuzava building. The recall for truck #920 was done at Ray Price. The firehouse parking lot was paved with Middle Smithfield Township. Leaves have been cleaned up on township roads using the leaf vac. Trash was picked up on township roads. The headwalls on the culvert pipes on Municipal Drive and Egypt Mills Road have been repaired.

The Township provided the tractor and hay wagon for hay rides at the Halloween event at Poconos Park on October 28th and 29th.

The next task force meeting is 11/17/2022. There was no meeting in October due to scheduling conflicts.

Mr. Logsdon will look at the cable franchise agreement and get back to the supervisors with his thoughts.

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 4:17 P.M., and go into executive session made by Mr. Rohner second by Mr. Springs. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by,

Edwina Wolfe
Assistant Secretary