

SUPERVISORS WORKSHOP MEETING, WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 6, 2021

Michael Stump, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting of the Alsace Township Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00 PM. Also present were Vice Chairman Sam Mallatratt, Business Manager, Jan Moore. Solicitor Gary Swavely attended the meeting remotely via Zoom. The meeting was held as a Hybrid meeting as attendees were present both in person and via Zoom.

An audio recording of this meeting has been created, retained and is available upon request.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mr. Stump led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Mr. Stump asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2021, Board of Supervisors meeting. Mr. Mallatratt made the motion, seconded by Mr. Stump and the motion carried.

**ADMINISTRATION**

**Septic Issue 2885 Pricetown Road** - A brief discussion was held to discuss the septic situation at 2885 Pricetown Road. Mr. Haller, the Township's Sewage Enforcement Officer had requested some guidance as to how to proceed with the ongoing issue. It was mentioned that the resident has a portable toilet on site in the back of the property. It was decided to stay with the Agreement currently in place which is to require the holding tank to be pumped monthly with proof of pumping submitted to the Township. Mr. Moore indicated that the date of last pumping was August 30, 2021, and that no evidence of pumping was received in September or as of the date of the meeting. Mr. Moore will follow up with a written request for evidence of pumping.

**Resolution 2021-07-** Agreement to Provide Dispatch Services. Mr. Moore provided a brief explanation on the background of the resolution which was required to authorize Berks County to provide emergency dispatch services to the Township. This Agreement was approved by the Board on August 4, 2021; however, the State and County require a resolution along with the signed Agreement. Mr. Mallatratt made a motion to adopt Resolution 2021-07 as presented, seconded by Mr. Stump and the motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF THE BID FOR DIRECTIONAL DRILLING:** The bid submitted by Barrasso Excavation, Inc. for the directional drilling for the Route 12 Sewer Extension project was reviewed and discussed. The bid amounts are listed below:

Barrasso Excavation (no rock)	\$130,350.00
Barrasso Excavation (100% rock)	\$289,325.00
Engineer's estimate (70% rock)	\$182,245.25

Mr. Stump made a motion to approve the bid and award the project to Barrasso Excavation, Inc. subject to the Solicitor's review, seconded by Mr. Mallatratt and the motion carried.

**TRUNK OR TREAT PROGRAM:** The Township is moving forward with plans to hold a Trunk or Treat night on Wednesday October 27, 2021, at the parking lot at the Shoppes at Woodside.

**CRIME ALERT DONATION:** Mr. Stump made a motion to approve the \$500 budgeted donation to the Berks County Crime Alert program. Mr. Mallatratt seconded, and the motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MUNICIPAL TAX SHEET:** Mr. Stump made a motion to approve the Municipal Tax Sheet as presented by the Berks County Treasurer's Office. The tax rates for 2022 will be as follows:

County Millage – 7.657000

City/Twp/Boro Millage – 1.500000

Mr. Mallatratt seconded, and the motion carried.

**SAFETY NET SANCTUARY AGREEMENT 2022:** Mr. Stump made a motion to execute the Agreement for 2022 with a total payment of \$50. The annual Agreement amount is \$2500 however due to an overpayment during the current year, the outstanding amount due for the 2022 Agreement was \$50. Mr. Mallatratt seconded, and the motion carried.

**RESIDENT NOTIFICATION FOR SEWER PROJECT:** Mr. Stump requested that Mr. Moore prepare and send out a notice to all residents that will be impacted by the Route 12 sewer extension project notifying them of the commencement of the project on October 11, 2021

#### **STORMWATER**

**69 Apple Lane Stormwater O&M** – Mr. Mallatratt made motion to execute the O&M Agreement for 69 Apple Lane, seconded by Mr. Stump and the motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Jonathan Blessing asked for a status on the complaint that he had submitted concerning a zoning issue on a neighboring property. Mr. Moore stated that his complaint was forwarded to the Township's Zoning Officer and that a Notice of Violation was issued on September 14, 2021, and the resident had 30 days to rectify the situation.

**ADJOURN:** Mr. Stump made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 PM, seconded by Mr. Mallatratt and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Jan Moore, Business Manager