

Michael Stump, chairman of the Board, called the meeting of the Alsace Township Board of Supervisors to order at 7:01 PM. Also present were Vice Chair, Kimberly Mallatratt, Township Business Manager Jan Moore, and Solicitor, Gary Swavely. Keith Blankenbiller attended the meeting via phone. The meeting was held as a hybrid with no residents attending remotely.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mrs. Mallatratt made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 20, 2022 meeting, seconded by Mr. Blankenbiller and the motion carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Mrs. Mallatratt made a motion to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$59,266.98 from the General Fund, \$20,852.20 from the Sewer Plant O&M fund, and \$1,104.43 from the WWTP Fund. Motion was seconded by Mr. Blankenbiller and the motion carried.

APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF TAXES AND INTERIM BILLS: Motion made by Mr. Blankenbiller to approve the payment of taxes and interim bills, seconded by Mrs. Mallatratt and the motion carried.

Financial Report: Mr. Blankenbiller made a motion to accept the financial reports as submitted, seconded by Mrs. Mallatratt and the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Patty Moyer stated she understood that the Blandon Fire Company was to attend the June meeting to provide a financial report and that they were not in attendance at tonight's meeting.

Kelly Kaufman had several questions pertaining to 3585 Kegerise Drive. She talked about the existence of a natural spring and wanted to know if this is being taken into consideration when stormwater plans are being reviewed. She also wanted to know if she needed to file a formal complaint to have someone look at this property for possible violations. Mr. Reinert from Technicon explained the process to Mrs. Kaufman and that the property is under review for stormwater ordinance approval. The only approval for this property was received by the Berks County Conservation District, not the township. If she had any questions pertaining to the County's approval, Mr. Reinert directed her to contact the Berks County Conservation District directly. Mrs. Kaufman also wanted to know who she would contact in the event that heavy equipment began working on the property over a weekend and damaging the pipe and spring located at the property. She was told to contact Technicon. Mr. Stump made a comment that the pipe in question is secure. Mrs. Kaufman also asked how a driveway permit can be issued without knowing the actual property lines. Mr. Stump commented that when a permit application is submitted, it is considered a signed affidavit stating that the comments contained within are accurate. Mr. Reinert also stated that all driveways have standards for all properties to comply with. Mr. Reinert also stated that when a plan is submitted, a plot plan is usually attached. If a question comes up concerning property lines, that matter becomes a civil issue between the parties.

Ruth Ann Moyer commented that the address for 3585 Kegerise is not accurate. Jan will contact the county to determine how the address was assigned.

OLEY FIRE COMPANY AMBULANCE: Kevin Beiber presented an annual report for the Oley Fire Company Ambulance for 2021. One of his comments was that they had a 1.2-million-dollar mortgage which they anticipate paying in full by the end of 2022. They are anticipating about 1000 calls for 2022. Mr. Beiber also thanked the Board and township for the annual contributions provided to the fire company. Mr.

Stump congratulated the fire company for how they handled the large debt and subsequent payments in such a timely manner.

STORMWATER: Business Manager presented a stormwater O&M Agreement for 64 Silver Swallow Road for execution. Motion made by Mr. Stump to execute the O&M Agreement, seconded by Mrs. Mallatratt and the motion carried.

ADMINISTRATION: Business Manager presented an equipment lease for a paver for a one- month period with a cost not to exceed \$499 for use in paving several township roads. Motion made by Mrs. Mallatratt to approve and execute the lease agreement, seconded by Mr. Blankenbiller and the motion carried.

Business Manager presented for execution a MOU for Metropolitan 10, LLC. Mrs. Mallatratt made motion to execute the MOU, seconded by Mr. Blankenbiller and the motion carried.

Business Manager requested that the Board authorize him to adjust the minimum bid for the sale of the township's dump truck on Municibid. Mr. Moore also requested that the Board set a minimum amount not to go below. Mr. Blankenbiller made a motion to allow the Business Manager to adjust the bid amount with a minimum floor of \$12,000. Motion was Seconded by Mrs. Mallatratt and the motion carried.

PUBLIC SEWER: Mr. Stump presented and discussed a quote to replace the pump station wet well and manhole lining in the amount of \$11,050. Mr. Stump made a motion to accept and approve the quote as presented, seconded by Mr. Blankenbiller and the motion carried. Mr. Swavely confirmed that the quote was below the bid threshold. A discussion also took place stating that the township could purchase a small refrigerator versus purchasing a new sampler.

PUBLIC WORKS: Mr. Stump initiated a conversation concerning the Oley School District and their busses. Mr. Stump was contacted by the School District and informed that the busses will no longer be going down roads that are no outlet unless there is a turnaround installed. The main roads discussed were Kutz, Irish Mountain and Cherry Lane. Mrs. Mallatratt asked how the busses were handling this situation currently. Mr. Reinert suggested that he could provide some drawings for installing a hammerhead turnaround. Mr. Blankenbiller asked to table the discussion until some additional information can be obtained from the school district. Mr. Moore will contact the Oley School District Transportation office to discuss further and make a report back to the board.

Darlene Bartsch made a comment about pulling out on Pricetown road.

Sean Dierolf made a comment that normally school districts will not allow bus drives to back up unless authorized by the school district

Patty Moyer asked if the township should request the fire companies and ambulance services to attend a meeting and provide an annual report. Her suggestion will be taken under advisement

Bonnie Landis inquired as to which ambulance services covered the township. Mrs. Mallatratt stated that Oley, Western Berks, and Lower Alsace provided coverage.

SUPERVISORS REPORTS: No additional reports were made

SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING, WEDNESDAY AUGUST 17, 2022

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mr. Stump made a motion for the Board to enter an Executive Session to discuss a legal matter. Mrs. Mallatratt seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Keith Blankenbiller made a motion to end the Executive Session at 8:19 PM, seconded by Mrs. Mallatratt and the motion carried.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 8:20 PM

ADJOURN: Mr. Stump made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Mallatratt and the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Jan Moore, Business Manager