

October 7, 2024  
ATKINSON MILLS, PA

The Wayne Township Board of Supervisors met for their regular monthly meeting September 3, 2024 at the Wayne Township Country Crossroads Community Center at 7:00 P.M. Members of the board present were Theodore Reed, Chuck Miles and Don Gearhart. In attendance representing Wayne Township were Pam Sechrist, Water Department Secretary; Mary Ellen Reed, Tax Collector; Jeff Hoover, Recreational Advisory Board Chairman. Also present were Chad Scott, Curtis Jury and Dairen Himes representing the Newton Wayne Fire Company. John Flicken representing Wright Surveying was also present.

Chairman Ted Reed called the meeting to order.

Ted made the motion to approve the minutes as written; Don seconded the motion; all in favor; motion carried.

Ted opened the floor for public comment. Joe Burget Jr. representing M&J Land Development asked if he could show the Supervisors the proposed Land Subdivision on Lucy Furnace Road. The Supervisors agreed and listened to a short presentation of the proposed subdivision lots and solar farm.

John Flicken of Wright Surveying asked the Supervisors to approve the On Lot Sewage Module form for the John Hostetler and Yost Hostetler Subdivision. Ted made the motion to approve; Don seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

Chuck made the motion to approve Solar Ordinance 2024-3; Don seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

The Board presented the Fire Tax Ordinance 2024-4. Chuck made the motion to adopt the Fire Tax; Don seconded the motion, motion carried.

The Board presented Resolution 2024-6 establishing the Fire Tax at 1 MILL. Chuck made the motion to set the Fire Tax at 1 MILL; Don seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

The Board presented Resolution 2024-7. Ted explained this latest Resolution modified the Townships previous Right to Know resolution that allows for refusal to honor anonymous requests. Don made the motion to approve; Chuck seconded the motion; all in favor motion carried.

The Board opened the sealed bids for the equipment trailer. The bids were as follows: Kyle Burket \$100; Walter Smith \$420; Roy Rhodes \$252; Warren Morgan \$503. Don made the motion to sell the trailer to Warren Morgan for \$503; Chuck seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

The winning bid amount for the Township's John Deere 310 SE Backhoe that was held on the Municibid website was \$1616,400. The Board rejected the bid for not being what they felt was a fair price. The Board agreed to rebid the backhoe on Municibid with a \$18,000 reserve. Don made the motion; chuck seconded the motion; all in favor motion carried.

The winning bid amount for the Township's Wood/Chuck chipper that was advertised for bid on Municibid was \$14,000. The winning bid was made by Melvin Sunderland. Ted made the motion to accept Melvin Sunderland's bid; Chuck seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

The Board approved hiring Kyle Burket full time with benefits after completing his probation period. The Board also approved hiring Kyle as Roadmaster at \$24/hr. Ted made the motion; Don seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

The Board agreed to hire Heath Foster as Road Crew Laborer at a rate of \$20/hr. and a probation period of 90 days. Don made the motion to hire Heath; Chuck seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

The Board agreed to advertise the Vicki and Randy Stewart Ag Security Modification Application in the Daily News. The Board also set the hearing date on Monday October 7 at 7

P.M. before the regular scheduled Township meeting. Don made the motion to advertise, Chuck seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

The Board discussed driveway tile replacement options. It was agreed to issue a no charge permit for those wanting to replace driveway tiles. The minimum size of the tile will be 12 inches. The permit will have other specifications to ensure the driveway tile will be replaced properly. Ted made the motion to implement the new permit; Chuck seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

The Board agreed to buy a new safe for the office. The present safe is too small and is rusting. Ted made the motion; Don seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

The Board discussed changes to the Burning Ordinance as there is some concern some portions of the ordinance are too strict for our rural community. The board decided to look at the ordinance before October's meeting and determine what changes should be made if any.

The Board was informed the annual tire recycling day is September 21 at the Lewistown Borough Public Works Facility Yard from 8-12.

The Board announced Ferguson Valley Road will be closed from 9/3 until approximately 9/20 at the intersection of Ferguson Valley Road and Little Greenbriar Road. PennDOT will be working on the bridge at that location.

Ted informed the Board where he is at with transition of the Water Department from Pam to the Township.

The Board gave updates on where the Township stands with several of their grant applications.

Jeff Hoover, Recreation Advisory Board Chairman, gave an update of the Recreation Advisory Boards last meeting. Jeff announced the Board is planning for an October 26th Trunk or Treat event and a December 7 Christmas event for kids. Jeff asked if the Advisory Board could have \$500 out of the Recreation Fund for the events. Chuck made the motion to advance the funds; Don seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Don made the motion to pay the bills; Chuck seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

Don made the motion to adjourn the meeting; Chuck seconded the motion, all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 8:52 P.M.

Wayne Township Supervisors  
Respectfully submitted,

Theodore M Reed Secretary/Treasurer