

West Pikeland Township  
1645 Art School Road  
Chester Springs, Pennsylvania  
Board of Supervisors  
May 6, 2024

ATTENDING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS	ATTENDING TOWNSHIP PERSONNEL
Noreen Vigilante, Chair	Dorene Guistwhite, Township Treasurer
Harold M. Hallman III, Vice Chair	Madison Orlor, Township Secretary
Steven F. Costa, Supervisor	Joseph L. Romano III, Township Manager
Carin Mifsud, Supervisor	Shane Clark, Chief of Police
Thomas McLewee, Supervisor	

Ms. Vigilante called the meeting to order on May 6, 2024, at 7:30 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Ms. Vigilante explained that the Board held an executive session on May 6, 2024, at 7pm. The topic of discussion was personnel.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mr. Hallman made a motion to approve the agenda of the May 6, 2024, Board of Supervisors meeting. Mr. Costa seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Mr. Costa made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2024, Board of Supervisors meeting. Mr. McLewee seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### **REPORTS**

*Library:* Ms. Nancy Niggel gave an overview of the March report. Ms. Niggel stated that circulation was down 2% from February 2024. Ms. Niggel stated that the Egg Hunt and the Eclipse events were a huge success. Ms. Niggel stated that Spring Yoga in the Park has begun and had a great turn on for the first session. Ms. Niggel's written report was provided to the Board.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Passing of Stephen James Ross on 12 April 2024. Former Township Manager (circa 2008/09):* Ms. Vigilante asked for a moment of silence to remember Stephen James Ross.

*Approval of open space volunteers:* Lisa Lacroix (open space) introduced the new members, Ellen Gacomis and Donald Finn. Ms. Lacroix stated the Open Space Committee was more than happy to welcome these new members. Ms. Gacomis and Mr. Finn gave a brief overview of their background and stated they were both very happy to volunteer.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*Act 537 (Sewage Facilities Plan) Approve funding to ARRO not to exceed \$14.5k to resolve PA Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) findings:* Mr. Romano stated that PA DEP conducted a preliminary review of the Township's official sewage facilities plan, dated 2018. Mr. Romano stated that this review effort was forgotten about by the DEP back in 2020. Mr. Romano stated that once DEP and ARRO (township contractor) were alerted, DEP admitted they lost the bubble and immediately reviewed the plan. Mr. Romano explained that requesting this funding will allow ARRO to resolve the 35 PA DEP findings and secure approval of our Act 537 Plan. Mr. Costa made a motion

to approve the funding to ARRO not to exceed \$14.5k. Mr. McLewee seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

*Cultural Center courtyard lighting to improve safety. Approve funding not to exceed \$10,150,00 to replace electrical wiring and install lamp post and lighting on Cultural Center courtyard:* Mr. Romano explained that at the previous BOS meeting, Mr. Hallman recommended this work get approved by the Historical Architectural Review Board (HARB) given the location of the lighting enhancement/replacement. Mr. Romano stated that a package was created for HARB, presented, and unanimously approved. Mr. Romano stated that the work will replace existing electrical wire underground and install an exterior outlet and lamp post in the courtyard of the SALT entrances and provide area lighting for safety concerns. Ms. Mifsud made a motion to approve the courtyard lighting. Mr. Hallman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

*Approve the bid from Chico Electric for \$49,740.67 to install 60kw generator at township's maintenance storage facility:* Mr. Romano explained that the project installs a 60kw Generac generator, automatic transfer switch, associated labor, and both a 5-year manufacturer warranty and 2-year service/installation warranty. Mr. Costa made a motion to approve the bid from Chico Electric for \$49,740.67. Ms. Mifsud seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

*Approve the quote from John A. DiRocco General Contracting Inc., for \$17,084.48 to pave St. Peters Way with material provided for by the Township:* Mr. Romano explained that this will be completed before August 2024 and the road will be milled and repaved. Mr. Hallman made a motion to Approve the quote from John A. DiRocco General Contracting Inc., for \$17,084.48 to pave St. Peters Way with material provided for by the Township. Ms. Mifsud seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

*Approve an amount not to exceed \$17k for asphalt cost from Highway Materials (CoStars Program):* Mr. Hallman made a motion to Approve an amount not to exceed \$17k for asphalt cost from Highway Materials (CoStars Program). Ms. Mifsud seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

*Approval of Police contract extension through 31 December 2025:* Ms. Mifsud made a motion to approve the police contract extension through 31 December 2025. Mr. Costa seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

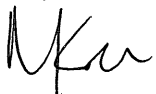
### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next Board of Supervisors meetings are scheduled for Monday, May 20, 2024, and Monday, June 3, 2024, at 7:30 PM.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Mifsud motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 PM. Mr. Costa seconded the motion and was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Madison Kerr

West Pikeland Township Secretary