

Lower Milford Township

Lehigh County, Pennsylvania

Board of Supervisors

August 17, 2023, Regular Meeting

MINUTES

Present: Donna Wright, Chair; Ellen Koplin, Vice-Chair; Lowell Linde, Supervisor; Mark Eastburn, Township Solicitor; Emily Fucci, Township Administrator/Secretary; and 6 members of the Public.

The meeting was called to order at 6:33PM by Wright.

All stood for the pledge of allegiance.

Motion by Linde to approve the July 20, 2023 Regular Meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Koplin and unanimously approved.

Wright read the Treasurer's report as of July 31, 2023 aloud:

• General Fund	\$ 1,912,018.00
• Historical Registry Fund	5,735.00
• Sewer Fund	30,466.00
• Capital Reserve Fund	43,564.00
• Fire Fund	224,384.00
• Highway Capital Improvement	327,784.00
• ARPA of 2021 Fund	62,069.00
• State Liquid Fuels Tax Account	321,700.00
• Developer Escrow (Non-Township Funds)	42,030.00

Motion by Koplin to approve the Treasurer's report as of July 31, 2023 as read. Seconded by Linde and unanimously approved.

Motion by Linde to authorize paying the August 2023 bills. Seconded by Koplin and unanimously approved.

Wright announced the Administrator Report for August 17, 2023.

Wright announced the Zoning Report for July 2023.

Wright announced the Public Works Report for July 2023.

Wright announced the Administrative Assistant Report for July 2023.

Wright announced the Macungie Ambulance Report of July 2023.

Ed Miller announced that the Fire Company will be holding a silent auction at the Fall Festival, in addition to planning a craft show and applying to grants for funding. Miller thanked the Township Public Works for assisting with downed tree calls.

Under Old Business:

Wright opened the proposals received for the purchase of a used paver. Motion by Linde to accept the proposal from Asphalt Care Equipment Incorporation of Bensalem, PA for the purchase of a 2018 Mauldin 690G Paver for \$48,500. Seconded by Koplín and unanimously approved.

Under New Business:

Wright announced the results of the State Workers' Comp "Loss Control Survey". Fucci advised all recommendations have already been enacted for the Safety Committee.

Fucci provided information on the recent failure of the Limeport WWTP's two influent lift pumps. Motion by Koplín to approve the payment of \$9,247.64 out of the ARPA fund for the invoices associated with the influent pump failure and replacement. Seconded by Linde and unanimously approved.

Motion by Koplín to utilize the remainder of ARPA for costs associated with the Limeport WWTP and cease the payment of all other expenses out of the ARPA fund for the remainder of 2023. Seconded by Linde and unanimously approved. Jason Flexer questioned why the ARPA fund was being utilized and the expenses were not being covered by Limeport WWTP service fees.

Motion by Linde to accept Elizabeth Lembach as the permanent hire for the Administrative Assistant position and approve a 2% salary adjustment, setting the salary at \$45,900. Seconded by Koplín and unanimously approved.

Eastburn announced Docket 23-07, Appeal of Stephen Bacchi and Aileen Love for a Special Exception for Roof-Mounted Solar at 7128 Blossom Lane, Docket 23-08, Appeal of Larry and Nance Schmoyer for a Special Exception for Roof-Mounted Solar at 9144 Pond Road and Docket 23-09, Appeal of Matthew and Melissa Greenawald for a Special Exception for Roof-Mounted Solar at 7332 Steinsburg Road. No action taken by the Board.

Under Correspondence:

Wright announced receipt of the First Energy/Met Ed "Notice to Property Owners" for transmission line right-of-way work. Discussion was held on the disruptions the helicopters used for maintenance can cause to the surrounding areas. A consensus was made by the Board that the solicitor will send a letter to Met Ed requesting a manual crew be used and stating that the helicopter cannot be tolerated in the Township.

Wright announced the August 2023 Social Security newsletter.

Wright announced the invitation to the opening ceremonies of the 171st Great Allentown Fair.

Wright announced the notice of DEP invitation for public comment on the stream evaluation report for Hosensack Creek. Koplin suggested a comment should be made regarding the Hosensack Creek's status as a high-quality watershed.

Wright announced receipt of the County of Lehigh Board of Assessment Appeals hearing notices for James Weis & Amy Woodward Weis, Wasser 5 LLC and Waser 8 LLC.

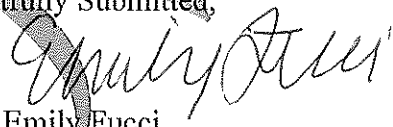
Under Public Comment:

Jason Flexer asked if the Limeport WWTP usage fees have ever been increased and how much it costs. Miller supplied information on the costs of Upper Saucon Township for comparison.

Motion by Wright to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Linde and unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 7:08PM.

Respectfully Submitted,


Emily Fucci
Township Secretary

APPROVED