

WEST COCALICO TOWNSHIP

The Chairman, James (J.J.) Stoner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Supervisors: James Stoner, Leon Eby and Jeff Sauder.

Others present: Carolyn Hildebrand, Manager; Tom Showalter, Roadmaster and Mike Eberly, Assistant Roadmaster. Chief McKim, Ephrata Borough Police; and Rodger Sweigart, Stevens

Public Comment – none

Jeff Sauder motioned to approve the Consent Agenda.

- A. Minutes – March 2, 2023
- B. Payment of Bills in the amount of \$109,019.62
- C. Motion to approve Myron Martin Poultry Operations escrow release of \$26,467.00
- D. Sewage Enforcement Officer report
- E. Motion for Schoeneck Fire Police to assist at Adamstown Community Days on May 28, 2023

Leon Eby seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Police Chief – There were a total of 135 incidents in the township for the month of February.

Carolyn Hildebrand presented the Manager's report as follows:

1. I attended the following meetings:
 - a. West Cocalico Township Authority – March 14, 2023
 - b. WWTP progress meeting – March 14, 2023
 - c. LCCTB Management committee meeting – March 8, 2023
2. Tom Showalter, Mike Eberly and I met with Jim Caldwell to discuss Township projects on March 8, 2023.
3. The liquid fuels audit was completed on March 7, 2023.
4. The new copier was installed on March 8, 2023. There was an issue with the internet and access to programs which was then resolved.
5. The workman's compensation audit was completed on March 15, 2023.
6. Stone Gate is hoping to dedicate their streets to the Township this spring.
7. I verified with Ephrata National Bank that the Township funds were sufficiently covered. Our funds are collateralized on a 1 to 1 basis.
8. Len Spencer and I continue to work with the resident at 40 Pine Crest Drive on her septic issues. The Schoeneck Fire Company was called for a CO alarm which was false.
9. Tom and I have been working toward a resolution of the excess soils at the sewer plant.

Carolyn Hildebrand presented the Treasurer's report as follows:

1. provided copies of the audit report for the 2022 fiscal year. There were no issues found. The Supervisors can review it and let Carolyn know if they have any questions.

Tom Showalter presented the Roadmaster's report as follows:

1. Finish S Blainsport stormwater project
2. Removed trees blown over by the wind on multiple occasions
3. Performed roof repairs at Chapel Gate Park pavilion.
4. Mike and Tom attended the Sportsman Road bid opening
5. The road crew attended the Deer Country program
6. Tom attended the Zion Mennonite pre-construction meeting

7. Plasterer Equipment was sold to Groff Tractor
8. An electrical issue on the backhoe was repaired last week for \$2,000.
9. The new backhoe delivery is approximately April 27th.
10. The final inspection of Stone Gate was done with Rettew and Bob Meredith. There were some minor items found. One pipe is curved but can function.
11. On Thursday, PennDot is replacing a pipe on Texter Mountain Road and will be using our roads for the detour.
12. On Wednesday the crew will be grooming the baseball fields.
13. Paving on Tannery and street sweeping are expected to start April 17th, Crack sealing is expected to start Late April or early May.
14. The pickup is still at New Holland Ford as they are looking for parts to repair it.

Leon Eby motioned to approve the LB Water quote for pipe on Meadow Road for \$15,034.00. Jeff seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Leon Eby motioned to approve paying for Mike Eberly to obtain his Class A CDL. Jeff seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Sauder motioned to approve H & K Group's bid of \$155,137.55 to pave Sportsman Road conditional upon the appropriate paperwork being provided. Leon Eby seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board requested that Josele prepare a draft ordinance to adopt the IPMC so they can review it.

Leon Eby motioned to begin advertising Ordinance 154 to amend the Zoning Ordinance.

OLDS Pumping Issue – Josele recommends having the SEO issue citations for residents who do not pump. Those residents who are anticipated to be connecting to the new sewer plant can delay pumping their septic system this year.

Jeff Sauder motioned to join Pennsylvania subdivision Intrastate Allocation. Leon Eby seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Sauder motioned to pass Resolution 03222023 to enter into settlement agreements for the opioid settlement. Leon Eby seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Sauder motioned to pay the annual contribution of \$7,546.00 to the Drug Task Force. Leon Eby seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Leon Eby motioned to approve the request for a stormwater modification for a property near 795 Greenville Road, Denver. Jeff Sauder seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Sauder motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. JJ seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Sauder
Secretary