

ROSS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING  
September 11, 2023

The Ross Township Supervisors Meeting was called to order on September 11, 2023 @ 6PM.

In attendance were Chairman James Zahorokio, Vice Chairman David Shay and Supervisor Randy Detrick. Also present was Solicitor Timothy McManus. The meeting was held at the Ross Township Municipal Building.

A moment of silence was held in remembrance of September 11, 2001.

**OPEN TO PUBLIC**

Resident Roger Christman asked about cars moved from Eldred to Ross Township on Meixsell Valley Road across from Vista Estates. Roger also asked about building and code review of homes being built on older developments.

The discussion moved to zoning violations report and the need for more detailed information to be provided to the Board of Supervisors regarding abandon and unsafe properties. The Supervisors requested a letter be sent to zoning requesting updated information by the end of the month in advance of the next Supervisors meeting.

Resident from Collins Ave brought up a neighbor situation on 228 Collins Ave. The resident reported illegal activity and issues with pets. The resident was directed to report to State Police for illegal activity and Dog Warden for animal concerns. In regards to building or code violations, the zoning office will be asked to investigate

Resident Carolyn Lange sent a model ordinance regarding logistics facilities coming into the Township. The Township Secretary and asked that the ordinance be shared with the Supervisors, the Planning Commission, and the Zoning officer. The ordinance was shared with all parties. The Supervisors did not have comment on this model ordinance. She also asked about Planning Commission meeting and the date of the meeting. An email was sent to Carolyn in follow up to the Planning Commission date and agenda.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Dave Shay to approve the meeting minutes of the August 7, 2023 meeting, seconded by Supervisor Randy Detrick, and carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Randy Detrick to approve the September 11, 2023 Treasurer's Report, seconded by Vice Chairman Dave Shay, and carried.

**PLANS:**

Kirk Estate Plan (9/11/2023)

Attorney for the applicant requested an extension until October 2, 2023 be granted by the Board of Supervisors to give the applicant additional time to meet the conditions of the Planning Commission outlined by the Planning Commission Solicitor and Engineer. A motion to grant the extension until October 2, 2023 was made by Vice Chairman Dave Shay, seconded by Supervisor Randy Detrick, and carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Ordinance #47 – Yard Sale

The Supervisors have requested an amendment to the current ordinance that would allow two permit free yard sales each calendar year. The dates will be determined by the Township. Residents will not be required to obtain a permit for these dates. All other dates will require a permit. Amended ordinance was presented to the Supervisors from Solicitor McManus. A motion to advertise the amended ordinance was made by Vice Chairman Dave Shay, seconded by Supervisor Randy Detrick, and carried.

Mt Eaton Road Pipe

A motion to approve resolution #204 to submit with the Grant application to replace the culvert at Mt Eaton Road in the estimated amount of \$165,000 was made by Supervisor Randy Detrick, seconded by Vice Chairman Dave Shay, and carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Pocono Mountains United Way

Nothing to report on this the speaker was not in attendance at the meeting.

Ross Road Pump

An estimate in the amount of \$1500.00 was received to rent a pump needed to dry the area of Ross Road prior to installing the culvert replacement. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Dave Shay, seconded by Supervisor Detrick to approve the rental of the pump, and carried. Work will begin the last week of September and completed mid to end of October.

2024 Budget Meeting

The 2024 budget meeting will be held on November 1, 2023 at 5pm. The meeting will be advertised.

**EVENTS:**

Community Day

September 16, 2023 – The event is ready to go. Games and Free Popcorn and Hot Dogs, Face painting and music by Ally Brown from 12-4pm.

Veteran’s Day – Dedication of the Veteran’s Memorial will be held on November 11, 2023 in the afternoon.

Tree Lighting – December 2<sup>nd</sup> rain date December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Santa and Mrs. Clause will be here for lighting and pictures.

Events will be shared on website and Facebook.

**ROAD FOREMAN REPORT:**

Truck will be picked up the week of September 11, 2023. The truck will be out for display on Community Day.

Clean up is September 22 and 23<sup>rd</sup> Friday and Saturday.

Culvert project on Ross Road will be pumped last week of September and expected to be completed by the end of second week in October.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

The list of Correspondence items were reviewed by the Board of Supervisors.

**RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES:**

After a review of the bills to be paid, a motion to approve the processing and payment of all current bills was made by Supervisor Randy Detrick, seconded by Vice Chairman Dave Shay, and carried.

There being no further business, Supervisor Randy Detrick made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 pm, the motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dave Shay and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Brown  
Secretary/Treasurer