

GREGG TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
DECEMBER 4, 2023
MEETING MINUTES

David Masser, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 4:30pm with the following in attendance: Mike Keiser, Vice Chairman; Arthur Masser, Supervisor; Doug Hovey, Zoning Officer; Brian Kerstetter, Solicitor; Jenna Neidig, Kerstetter Law; and Jodi Willow, Secretary/Treasurer.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by David Masser, second by Mike Keiser to approve the budget workshop minutes, November 6, 2023 meeting minutes, financial report and payment of bills. Unanimous.

Reports-

Zoning- There are 2 new businesses going into the building owned by Mifflinburg OIP: Sunflower Spa and a hair salon. The contractor is supposed to get a site plan to Doug so he can calculate parking, but he has not received it yet. There is another smoke shop going into the building where Allenwood Café is located.

An email was received questioning using a spring as a water source for a home. Doug found no mention of springs in our zoning ordinance. The secretary forwarded the following response to the email from Doug: Zoning §15.18 and SLD §4.14.2 address the topic of on-lot water supply in general, but do not even mention springs. There may be something in Building Code or Property Maintenance Code. I read the following in an on-line PA Extension publication: *There are no statewide regulations on these household water supplies so their management is the voluntary responsibility of the homeowner.* Based on this statement I do not believe the Township has a stake in allowing on-lot springs or even wells for that matter which are just two different ways of harvesting groundwater.

Engineer- None

Roadmaster- None

Solicitor- None

GTMA- The board read the minutes prior to the meeting.

Secretary-1) 2024 Budget- Motion by Mike Keiser, second by Arthur Masser to approve the 2024 Budget. Unanimous. 2) 2024 Tax Levy Resolution- Motion by David Masser, second by Mike Keiser to approve Tax Levy Resolution 2023-04, which keeps the taxes the same as this year. Unanimous.

Old Business- Property at 280 White Deer Ave- Tabled

RFP for CPA- One RFP was received from Maher Duessel. The first year cost would be \$8500 plus a \$2000 start up fee. 2025 would be \$8950 and 2026 would be \$9350. The board decided to table until January.

New Business- The solicitor introduced Jenna Neidig, Kerstetter Law, as a recommendation for his replacement. She grew up in Northumberland and went to Bucknell for undergraduate and Pitt for Law School. She is in her 2nd year of private practice, but does not have a lot of township experience. She is a good researcher and Brian would be available to her for any questions or help. The board discussed rates. Motion by Mike Keiser, second by Arthur Masser to hire Jenna Neidig to be our solicitor at a rate of \$500 monthly(meeting attendance, emails, phone calls,etc) and a \$200 hourly rate for anything beyond. Unanimous.

Public Comment- None

Motion by David Masser, second by Mike Keiser to adjourn the meeting at 5:02pm. Unanimous.