

Board of Supervisor's Meeting

November 3, 2021

1. Call to Order

The regular monthly meeting of the Heidelberg Township Board of Supervisors was held on Wednesday, November 3, 2021, at the Porter's Fire Hall and via Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Tim Hansen.

Those present:

Tim Hansen, Chairman

Paul King, Supervisor

Heather Billet, Secretary/Treasurer

Tim Shultis, Solicitor

Julie Kutchi, Administrative Assistant

Adam Smith, Engineer

John Migatulski, Lieutenant of Northern Regional Police Department, Kurtis Sterner, IT Specialist, and approximately 31 residents/members of the general public were present. Others attended via Zoom.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Paul King made a comment on behalf of the Board of Supervisors, he wanted to thank everyone who came out and participated in the recent election and congratulations to those who won.

3. Public Comment

A resident made comments regarding the details of the Treasurer's Report and requests for additions to be added to it. The Board will take under consideration.

4. Approval of Minutes

Tim Hansen asked if there were any comments. There were no additional comments. **On the motion from Tim Hansen, seconded by Paul King, the minutes of the October 2021 Board of Supervisor's Meeting were approved. Vote 2-0.** After the vote a resident asked for clarification on the topic of working with Pixelle from the October minutes.

5. Fire Report

Lieutenant Brown read the October 2021 Fire Report. The department responded to 18 calls for the month, 9 in Heidelberg Township. There was 1 failed call for the month. The Fire Company thanked everyone that came out for the Trunk or Treat and also thanked the Township for the donation assistance to make the event successful.

6. Spring Grove EMS Report

Jackie Heffner, Spring Grove EMS Chief reviewed updates across EMS stats compared to last year. There were four days due to staffing that they could not operate and as a reflection EMS were not able to respond to 13 calls. There were 10 calls for the month in Heidelberg Township. October's calls totaled 197. They have reached out to the municipalities for additional funding to keep from having to merge or sell out to a hospital care or other company. They are also reaching out to the State for additional support. Jackie will be meeting with the House of Representatives on 11/19/21. Heidelberg Township is well above and beyond other Township's with the Fuel contributions. The membership form will be added to the township website after the township receives from EMS. Members of the public would be willing to assist in fundraising efforts. Spring Grove EMS is requesting the BOS to appoint a member from Heidelberg for the EMS board to fill their vacancy. The next EMT class to be held at the Spring Grove EMS station. Dates to come.

*Tim Hansen introduced Neal Doyle as the new zoning officer for Heidelberg Township.

7. Recreation Board Report

Trent Funt, Heidelberg Township Parks Director, was unable to attend. There is no report provided this month. Details for new parks and rec director to be decided.

8. Unfinished Business

a. Research regarding Appointed/Elected Auditors

Preliminary report available at the township. No advancement in that research.

b. Alan Harr Subdivision - no update

9. Zoning Reports

a. Planning Commission Minutes

The Planning Commission met on 10/13/21. The minutes were approved as read. The Commission reviewed the proposal by the Bowersox Family Trust to change the zoning of their property at 6670 York Road and Orefield Road from Designated Growth and Mixed Residential to Agricultural. The Township also proposes to change the zoning of the Heidelberg Water Company from Designated Growth and Residential to Agricultural. Recommendation to the Supervisors to approve both proposed zoning changes. Passed unanimously. Wes Sensenig appeared regarding his proposed plan to install twenty-two storage units on his property at 6999 Cannery Road. Neal Doyle, zoning officer, reported that his research affirmed that the property is zoned Commercial and that storage units are an approved use for that property.

b. South Penn Code Consultants / Zoning Officer Report

Permits issued for Heidelberg Township was two and collected \$200.00 in permit fees.

c. Subdivisions

1. None

10. Old and New Business

a. Adam Smith, C.S. Davidson

Request authorization for 2021 Roadway Improvements (Contract No. 1) Kinsley Construction, Application for Payment - \$141,275.00 and also for (Contract No. 2 – Pavement Restoration) Russell Standard Corporation, Application for Payment - \$77,029.61. Paul King asked if Deagan Rd bump in the transition of the two roads could be looked at and fixed by Kinsley. Paul King asked the Board to pay this total of both contracts which is \$218,304.61 to be paid from the general fund which would leave the general fund balance at \$462,427.00,. This ending balance leaves the general fund at roughly \$1000,000.00 higher than November of last year. Doing this would allow to consider paying an additional payment on the bridge loan from the liquid fuels account to help save the township money.

On the Motion from Paul King to pay the contracts to Russell Stannard Corporation and Kinsley Construction in the amount of \$218,304.61 to be paid out of the general fund, seconded by Tim Hansen. Vote 2-0

YCPC sent a plan for the Warehime property which has a small section in Heidelberg Township so that will need to go before the Planning Commission.

b. Tim Shultis

The township has scheduled a zoning hearing on the proposed zoning amendment for the location between Orefield Rd and S.R. 116 to be held on 12/1/21 at 6:30pm before the Public BOS Meeting.

c. Matt Bollinger

Absent

d. Paul King

On the Motion from Paul King to make a donation to the Fire Company for \$66,591.85, seconded by Tim Hansen.

Vote 2-0

EMS Update- Jackie covered

Drain Cleaning- **On the Motion from Paul King for the township to hire Mr. Rooter to clean the drains at the Heidelberg elementary school and Ebenezer Bible College, whereas the funds to be paid out of the ARPA monies for storm water management and a donation to a 501c3 \$4,585.00. This will keep water from flowing down onto Rt. 116., seconded by Tim Hansen.**

Vote 2-0

Roads Update- Adam covered

e. Tim Hansen

None

f. Heather Billet

Last months Treasurer’s report an error was reported in regards to the October starting balance of the general funds. The beginning balance for the October meeting was \$85,7605.57 and the ending balance was \$755,897.61.

11. Treasurer’s Report

Heather Billet read the following Treasurer’s Report:

GENERAL FUND - Beginning Balance	\$ 755,897.61
Revenue	28,482.03
Expenditures	103,647.35
Ending Balance	\$ 680,732.29
STATE FUND - Savings	\$ 312,109.57
Covid Relief Fund -	\$ 159,358.88
South West Police Department-	\$ 58,302.59

Tim Hansen made a motion to approve the report and pay the bills, Paul King seconded. VOTE 2 – 0

12. Public Comment:

- A comment was made regarding the possibility of making an additional payment to the bridge loan.
- A comment was made regarding the proposed second well for the water company and the status.
- A comment was made regarding Marburg Road and if there is consideration for road work to be done. This is a state road.
- Julie made a suggestion to utilize the link on the Township website to report issues with state roads.
- A comment was made regarding water management issues on roads in the township.
- A comment was made regarding the Trash Hauler Contract along with ice issues on Laurel Woods Lane. A request was made for the BOS to consider making changes to the Public Meeting to a daytime meeting and not at night.
- A comment was made regarding a business directory and the BOS will take under consideration to add to the website.

Peg Moulton will be appointed as a Heidelberg Township representative to the Rail Trail Authority Board.

13. Adjourn – Meeting was adjourned at 8:01 PM

Heather Billet, Secretary/Treasurer