

**HAINES TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
FEBRUARY 18, 2021**

On February 18, 2021 at approximately 6:29 p.m., Chairman Daryl Schafer called the regular monthly meeting of the Haines Township Board of Supervisors to order. The meeting was held in the Haines Township Building located at 153 S. Rachel's Way in Aaronsburg, PA. The call to order was followed by the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence. In attendance: Chairman Daryl Schafer, Vice-Chair. Delmer Homan, Supervisor Fred Lingle, Acting Secretary Pamela Winter, Roadmaster Mark Hosterman, HTPC Chairman Marlin Fultz, HAMA Secretary Patricia Valentine, Gilbert Stull and Christine Zoerner with Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP

Due to the COVID -19 pandemic, the Governor of PA has mandated that the public maintain social distancing measures and wear masks or other facial coverings in public spaces.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None given.

**REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:**

Christine Zoerner from the Township's accounting firm presented the results of the audit of the 2020 Township financial records. She highlighted some of the points of the audit for the Board and told them that all the records were in good order and that they had no recommendations for any changes or improvements that needed to be made. After the presentation, Daryl Schafer made the motion to accept the audit report and sign the audit letter which needs to be submitted to DCED. Fred Lingle seconded the motion and the motion was carried. Vote: D. Schafer - Yes  
F. Lingle - Yes D. Homan - Yes

Gilbert Stull had been asked to attend the meeting by the Board as a possible candidate to act as Ordinance Enforcement Officer in the Township. He informed the Board that he had five (5) years' experience as a Constable and approximately one (1) year's experience with Ordinance enforcement in Benner Township.

**MINUTES APPROVAL:**

Fred Lingle motioned to approve the meeting minutes as presented for 1/4/21. Delmer Homan seconded the motion and the motion was carried. Vote: F. Lingle - Yes D. Homan - Yes D. Schafer - Yes

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Daryl Schafer motioned to approve the February Treasurer's report prepared by the Secretary-Treasurer and file for audit. Fred Lingle seconded the motion and the motion was carried. Vote: D. Schafer - Yes F. Lingle - Yes  
D. Homan - Yes

**ROADMASTER REPORT:**

The road crew has been busy plowing snow in February and making some minor equipment repairs. Another truckload of salt was ordered and delivered and some minor supplies such as windshield washer fluid have been ordered.

**PERMITS:**

For February: (3) Zoning and (1) CKCOG.

**HTPC:**

Chairman Marlin Fultz reported that they were still working on the changes to the Zoning Ordinance. Also, Bob Conklin is the Vice-Chairman and Austin Lewis is the Secretary.

**PVRPC:**

No meeting was held in January.

**HAMA:**

It was reported that at the February 17 meeting some comments were made that came close to accusations concerning one of the members. It was reported that the Authority's books are audited and that those audits include the Treasurer's reports. The HAMA Board does not feel that they can afford to pay Ethan Hull at the rate they would have to pay him to include benefits. A discussion of the pros and cons of using a current part-time Township employee versus advertising and hiring from outside and what the Authority could afford to pay this person.

**HWMA:**

The HWMA Secretary was not able to attend the meeting but she provided a copy of their January meeting minutes along with corrected Treasurer's reports from December 2020, January 2021 and February's report to the Board.

**PVEMS:**

An email was received from Bari Deaven that there was no meeting in February due to weather.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Information for the Tobias Z. & Katie B. Hostetler Subdivision Plan was available for the Board. The Municipal Response Request form needed to be completed and emailed to the County Planning Office by February 19, 2021. Fred Lingle motioned to sign the form that the Municipality had no comments. Daryl Schafer seconded the motion and the motion was carried. Vote: F. Lingle - Yes D. Schafer - Yes D. Homan - Yes

**OLD BUSINESS:**

An Agreement for Limited Contracted Services with Pamela Winter to provide certain clerical services needed to be adopted retroactively to February 1, 2021. Daryl Schafer made the motion to adopt this Agreement. Delmer Homan seconded the motion and the motion carried. Vote: D. Schafer - Yes D. Homan - Yes F. Lingle - Yes

Fred Lingle brought up an idea for consideration relating to the remodeling and renovation of the current Township building instead of building a new building at a different location. A short discussion followed with a consensus that this should be looked into how this could be done.

Fred Lingle also asked where the Township stood on having a meeting with the Amish bishops/leaders regarding the damage their steel wheels cause on the Township roads. A meeting has not yet been set up.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Resolution 04-2021 to appoint a Code Enforcement Officer - A motion was made by Daryl Schafer to accept and sign this Resolution. Delmer Homan seconded the motion and the motion was carried. Vote: D. Schafer - Yes D. Homan - Yes F. Lingle - Yes

Agreement for Code Enforcement Officer Services by Constable Gilbert Stull. It was agreed to hire a Code Enforcement Officer and that it would be Mr. Stull. Daryl Schafer made the motion to adopt the above-referenced Agreement to hire Gilbert Stull. Fred Lingle seconded the motion and the motion was carried. Vote: D. Schafer - Yes F. Lingle - Yes D. Homan - Yes

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Fred Lingle motioned to adjourn the February 18, 2021 monthly meeting of the Haines Township Board of Supervisors at approximately 8:10 p.m. Daryl Schafer seconded the motion and the motion was carried. Vote: F. Lingle - Yes D. Schafer - Yes D. Homan - Yes