

## TOWNSHIP COMMISSIONER'S MEETING MINUTES

**AUGUST 18, 2021**

The August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting of the Harmony Township Commissioners began at 6:00 pm.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

- 1) The meeting this evening is a regularly scheduled Public Meeting and is accessible by Zoom and in person subject to limited capacity requirements. The maximum occupancy is restricted to 50% and all persons in attendance must wear a mask unless fully vaccinated. If any person is feeling ill, we ask that you kindly think of others and leave the building.
- 2) An Executive Session was held on August 5, 2021 “solely for the purpose of collecting information or educating agency members about an issue on a prospective development.”
- 3) An Executive Session was held at 5:00 pm on Wednesday, August 18, 2021 for the resolution of a contract matter and to review post benefit issues.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **ROLL CALL:**

#### Commissioners and Other Officials

Mr. Kokoski, President  
Mr. Mosura, Vice President  
Mrs. DeBona, Commissioner  
Mr. Gunther, Commissioner  
Mrs. Mylan, Commissioner  
Ms. Shannon Steele, Solicitor  
Mr. Villella, Manager  
Mrs. Winne, Tax Collector/Treasurer  
Mr. Nordquist, Township Engineer

The following Township residents and Township representatives were in attendance as follows:

Craig Winne, 16 Lenzman Court  
Fabiola Gergerich, 2623 Woodland Rd.  
Rosemary Shrum, 2601 Woodland Rd.  
Matt Molchen, 809 Ridge Rd.  
Alex Korol, MDJ 36-1-01  
Jack Bedalota, 3088 Sylvan Rd.  
Pat McCullough, Ambridge  
Frank Presto, Road Foreman  
Mary Romeo, Administrative Assistant

**Public Comment. Manager Note: This Comment period is limited to Agenda Items only. All individual comments and dialogue are limited to 5 minutes.**

Fabiola Gergerich, 2623 Woodland Rd. – had questions about the Kelly Generator quote & under PS item 1) & under Parks & Recreation item 1).

Rosemary Shrum, 2601 Woodland Road, had a question about announcement 2).

**I) Approval of the July 21, 2021 Meeting Minutes.**

**Voice Vote**

**Motion Mrs. DeBona Second Mrs. Mylan**

**All in Favor – Motion Carried**

**II) Approval of the following reports:** The Township Manager is recommending the acceptance of the following Department Reports for the month of **JULY 2021**.

1. Code Enforcement Department Report – this report is not available currently.
2. Road Department Report
3. Police Department Report
4. Sewage Department Report
5. Tax Collector/Treasurer’s Report as submitted for **JULY 2021**

**Voice Vote**

**Motion Mr. Gunther Second Mrs. Mylan**

**All in Favor – Motion Carried**

**III) Approval of the Accounts Payable for the month of AUGUST 2021**

- A). It is the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the **AUGUST 2021** Accounts Payable in the total amount of **\$ 325,930.96**.

Wire Transfer Bond Principal and Interest U.S. Bank	\$168,456.25
Wire Transfer Health Insurance	\$ 30,394.03
Developers Escrow Fund	\$
Liquid Fuels	\$ 4,827.52
Sewer Fund	\$ 94,052.05
Police Pension Fund	\$ 422.63
2018 Capital Program Fund	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$325,930.96</b>

**Roll Call Vote**

**Motion Mrs. DeBona Second Mr. Mosura**

**Mosura Yes Mylan Yes DeBona Yes Gunther Yes Kokoski Yes**

**All in Favor – Motion Carried**

**IV) Consent Agenda**

*Those matters included under the consent agenda are self-explanatory and are not expected to require further review or discussion. Items will be enacted by one motion. If discussion is desired by any member of the Board of Commissioners, that item must be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.*

Motion to approve the following Items as listed on the Consent Agenda.

- 1) Approval of Sewage Account adjustments as presented.

**Voice Vote**

**Motion Mrs. Mylan Second Mr. Gunther**

**All in Favor – Motion Carried**

**V) NEW BUSINESS**

**Finance**

- 1) A Motion authorizing Mockenhaupt Benefits Group to prepare the 2021 Actuarial valuation report and to utilize the actuarial assumptions for changes as recommended by the actuary for the 2021 year and to prepare that report on that basis.

**Roll Call Vote**

**Motion Mrs. DeBona Second Mr. Mosura**

**Gunther Yes Mylan Yes DeBona Yes Mosura Yes Kokoski Yes**

**All in Favor – Motion Carried**

**Buildings and Grounds**

**2018 GO Bond Series Capital Program Fund**

Manager's Note: A separate Motion is required to authorize and/or ratify action taken on matters which are the subject of the 2018 GO Bond Series and from which project costs shall be satisfied. All authorized projects are paid from the 2018 GO Bond Series Capital Program Fund.

**Township Building Renovation Project**

Requests for Quotations were made from CoStars or CoStar affiliate vendors. Quotations were received on or before Tuesday, July 20, 2021 and reviewed by the Architect, Stephen Paxton for compliance with the drawings and specifications prepared for this specific project element. The following Motion applies to the rescinding/awarding of the Bid for this project.

- 1) A Motion to rescind the acceptance of the Bid from Kelly Generator and Supply in the amount of \$27,836.40 for providing a generator consistent with the requirements and specifications established as it applies to the Utility Relocation aspect of the Township Building Renovation Project accepted at the meeting of July 21, 2021.  
Roll Call Vote

**Motion Mrs. DeBona Second Mr. Gunther**

**Mosura Yes Gunther Yes Mylan Yes DeBona Yes Kokoski Yes**

**All in Favor – Motion Carried**

- 2) A Motion to authorize the acceptance of the Bid from Kelly Generator and supply in the amount of \$28,902.11 for providing a generator consistent with the requirements and specifications established as it applies to the Utility Relocation aspect of the Township Building Renovation Project. Acceptance is based upon an analysis of the Quotations, the vendor being a CoStar vendor, the recommendation of the Township Architect and subject to the submission of a proper sales Agreement and any applicable related materials.

**Roll Call Vote**

**Motion Mr. Gunther Second Mr. Mosura**

**Gunther Yes Mylan Yes DeBona Yes Mosura Yes Kokoski Yes**

**All in Favor – Motion Carried**

### **Public Safety**

- 1) A Motion adopting Resolution No. 01-08-18-21 setting forth the interest of the Harmony Township Commissioners to participate in a non-binding study to identify municipal entities who share an interest in the establishment of police services for the Ohio River Valley Region comprised of Harmony Township and the Boroughs of Baden, Conway, and Freedom and naming the following persons as representatives of the Township to serve on the Exploratory Committee. Those representatives are as follows: Shaun Mosura and Grace DeBona.

**Roll Call Vote**

**Motion Mrs. Mylan Second Mr. Gunther**

**Mylan Yes DeBona Yes Mosura Yes Gunther Yes Kokoski Yes**

**All in Favor – Motion Carried**

- 2) A Motion adopting Ordinance No. 439 establishing a No Parking Zone on Harmony Road, providing for the restriction of parking on both the east and west side of Harmony Road 200 ft up from Duss Avenue.

**Roll Call Vote**

**Motion Mr. Mosura Second Mrs. DeBona**

**DeBona Yes Mosura Yes Gunther Yes Mylan Yes Kokoski Yes**

**All in Favor – Motion Carried**

**Public Works**

- 1) A Motion adopting Ordinance No. 440 providing for weight restrictions and other authorized combinations on the Valley Road Bridge in accordance with the study performed by Pickering Corts and Summerson for and on behalf of the PA Dept. of Transportation.

**Roll Call Vote**

**Motion Mrs. Mylan Second Mr. Mosura**

**Mylan Yes DeBona Yes Mosura Yes Gunther Yes Kokoski Yes**

**Parks, Recreation and Community Development**

- 1) A Motion authorizing the Township Manager to direct communications to the Secretary of the PA Department of Environmental Protection, for and on behalf of the Harmony Township Commissioners requesting that the permit request of Penn Energy to withdraw the amount of 3.5 million gallons of water daily from the Big Sewickley Creek be denied. Further, that a copy of the communications be directed to Representative Matzie, Senator Elder Vogel, the Big Sewickley Creek Watershed Conservatory and the Allegheny Land Trust.

**Roll Call Vote**

**Motion Mr. Mosura Second Mrs. DeBona**

**DeBona Yes Mosura Yes Gunther Yes Mylan Yes Kokoski Yes**

**All in Favor – Motion Carried**

**VI) Reports**

- A. Township Manager’s Report.** The Manager has submitted updates to the Board of Commissioners on a periodic basis from the last meeting.
- B. Consulting Engineer’s Report.** An Engineer’s Report for the month of June has been submitted.
- C. Solicitor’s Report.** The Solicitor has entered her invoice for services and setting forth the work performed for the month of July/August 2021.

**VII) Elected Official’s Report**

**VIII) Public Comment.** The Public is invited to comment on any item of interest.

*Manager Note: All individual comments and dialogue are limited to 5 minutes.*

Jack Bedalota, 3088 Sylvan Road – had a question about a Business Meeting with the Board.

Rosemary Shrum, 2601 Woodland Road – question about No Parking Zone on Harmony Road.

Patrick McCullough, Ambridge – said his business on Duss Avenue is being hurt by the parking restriction on Harmony Road.

**IX) ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

**X) ADJOURNMENT**

**Voice Vote**

**Motion Mrs. DeBona Second Mrs. Mylan Time of Adjournment: 6:53 pm**

**All in Favor – Motion Carried**