

**TOWNSHIP COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 16TH 2024  
6:00 PM**

- 1) The meeting this evening is a regularly scheduled Public Meeting and is accessible in person subject to the occupancy limits of the Township facility.
- 2) A Workshop Session was held on OCTOBER 2ND, 2024.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:**

**Commissioners and Other Officials**

**Ms. Barlamas, President - Present**

**Mrs. Mylan, Vice President – Absent**

**Mr. Angus, Commissioner - Absent**

**Mr. Molchen, Commissioner - Present**

**Mrs. DeBona, Commissioner – Present via Phone**

**Mr. Garen Fedeles, Solicitor - Present**

**Mr. Villella, Manager - Present**

**Mr. Dan Barna, HRG Engineering - Present**

**Ms. Kristen Vasilakis, HRG Engineering - Present**

**Mr. Michael Thomas, Working Foreman – Absent**

**Chief Juan Villagomez, Police Chief – Present**

**Residents & Guests in Attendance**

**Pam & Tim Webb– Sylvan Road**

**Shirley Webb – Sylvan Road**

**M J McAdams – Woodside Drive**

**Angela & Keith Meyers – Woodland Road**

**Sharon Speicher – Beaver Road**

**Rosemary Shrum – Woodland Road**

**UPDATE: Woodland Road Landslide**

**Connie Barlamas, President Board of Commissioners**

**Bob, Villella, Township Manager**

**As of Yesterday, and today Stefanik started mobilization. The dirt will start being pulled by October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The Township found a more local site to dump the dirt which is a large savings to the Township and reduce the time about a week. Thank you to the Herman's and the Meyer's for providing the easement to the Township quickly. Unfortunately, the road is still sliding. Tim Webb from Sylvan Road**

asked is the continuing sliding being delt with. One of the main reasons we brought in the Geotechnical Engineer so they will be able to direct how the reconstruction is done. Also, the Township is not keeping any of the old fill because that fill is slide prone. An updated email was sent out to all the residents On October 16, 2024. Shirley Webb from Sylvan Road asked about the timeline the road will be completed. Stefanik’s is looking to complete the road by mid-November, and they do not foresee any problems with the weather. Keith Meyers wants to know the plan for him to get into his Driveway. Stefanik will update him daily, but Connie had an idea for Keith & Angela to park on the other side of the slide.

**Public Comment - None**

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

**I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 18th, 2024, as submitted.

Voice Vote-Motion Carried

Motion DeBona Second Molchen

**II. Approval of the following reports: The Township Manager is recommending the acceptance of the following Department Reports for the month of September/ October 2024.**

1. Road Department Report
2. Police Department Report
3. Sewage Department Report.
4. Tax Collector’s Report as submitted September 2024.

Voice Vote – Motion Carried

Motion Angus Second Molchen

**III. Approval of the Accounts Payable for the AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2024.**

A.) It is the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the September Accounts Payable for October in the amount of \$357,880.52 and to approve Accounts Payable for October in the amount of \$109,567.74.

	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER
General Fund	\$ 257,571.12	\$ 48,311.59
2018 GO Bond Principal and Interest U.S. Bank	N/A	N/A
Health Insurance	\$ 31,278.93	\$ 31,278.93
Developers Escrow Fund	\$	N/A
Liquid Fuels	\$ 6993.71	\$ 5,376.52
Sewer Fund RUN 1896-1798	\$ 62,036.76	\$ 24,600.70
Police Pension Fund		
2018 Capital Program Fund		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 357,880.52</b>	<b>\$109,567.74</b>

**Roll Call Vote-Motion Carried**

Motion DeBona Second Angus  
Molchen Yes Mylan Absent Angus Yes Barlamas Yes DeBona Yes

**IV. Consent Agenda**

*The 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.*

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**FINANCE**

1. A Motion to authorize the issuance of the 2024 Volunteer Fire Relief Association allocation and to authorize the distribution of the amount of \$17,775.26 to the Harmony Township Volunteer Fireman’s Protective Association. The Township Treasurer is directed to file all required verifications of distributions to the Auditor General consistent with past practice. This amount is paid by the Commonwealth. Commonwealth.

Roll Call Vote – Motion Carried

Motion Molchen Second Angus  
Molchen Yes Mylan Absent Angus Yes Barlamas Yes DeBona Yes

**PERSONNEL**

1. A Motion to accept the Eligibility List as presented by the Harmony Township Civil Service Commission. This list is effective for a period of two (2) years for hiring purposes.

Roll Call Vote-Motion Carried

Motion DeBona Second Angus  
Molchen Yes Mylan Absent Angus Yes Barlamas Yes DeBona Yes

2. A Motion to recommend the hiring of Derrick Vallimont as a full-time patrolman based upon the Eligibility List as presented by the Civil Service Commission. This position is subject to the Civil Service Rules and Regulations and the Collective Bargaining Agreement of the Harmony Township Police Department and subject to background testing, physical and medical evaluations as deemed necessary by the Board of Commissioners.

Roll Call Vote – Motion Carried

Motion Angus Second Molchen  
Molchen Yes Mylan Absent Angus Yes Barlamas Yes DeBona Yes

**VI. REPORTS**

- A. Township Manager’s Report. The Manager has submitted updates to the Board of Commissioners on a regular basis from the last meeting. There were no comments made by the Township Manager. He had no further comments.
- B. Consulting Engineer’s Report An Engineers Report for the month of September/October 2024 has been submitted. There were no comments made by the Township Engineers. Dan Barna, Engineer for HRG, answered a few questions. Asphalt can be poured with a road temperature of 40 degrees. Asphaltting the road should not be a problem. As far as the road still sliding the Geo

Technical Engineer who will be on site Monday will be able to discuss this issue. After the road is completed, the Geotechnical Engineer can check to road to see it has stopped sliding.

- C. **Solicitor's Report.** The Solicitor has entered her invoice for services and set forth the work performed for the Month of September/October 2024. There were no comments made by the Solicitor. He had no further comments

## VII. **ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORT**

1. Commissioner Angus welcomed Derek Vallimont to the Harmony Township Police Department
2. Commissioner Molchen also welcomed Derek Vallimont to the Harmony Township Police Department.
3. Commissioner DeBona thanked President Barlamas for her very hard work restoring Woodland Road. Also, Congratulations to Officer Villamont for joining the Harmony Township Police Department. A special thanks to all the residents on Woodland & Sylvan Road for your patience involving the Landslide.
4. President, Constance Barlamas, Harmony Township has been working with HTG on grants. Hopefully, the USA Tennis Association Grant will come through so we can provide a new court on Dearborn.
5. Winter Community Day will be held on November 30<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 non to 4:00PM. At the Harmony Township Fire Department. Some of the events which will offered is Photos with Santa, Ice Sculptor, Balloon Artist, Caricature Artist, face painting, Petting zoo, food trucks and much more. Our Chief of Police is getting very busy working on Shop with a Cop this year. More information on this program will be coming to you on a later date.

## 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 - None*

## IX. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Halloween shall be held on October 31, 2024, from the hours of 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Please drive safely and be on the lookout for ghosts, goblins and other things that go knock in the night!
2. Township Offices will be closed on Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, for Election Day and Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 for Veterans Day.
3. Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Ladies Auxiliary Soup Sale. For pre orders call the soup Ladies: Becky Homich @724-312-1227 or Sharon Speicher @ 412-215-8656. Pick up is 3:00 to 5:00. Wedding Soup, chili and Beef Vegetable. Please support the Ladies VFD and their ongoing efforts.

## X. **ADJOURNMENT**

Voice Vote – Motion Carried.

Motion DeBona Second Molchen Time of Adjournment: 6:25 PM

