

SHOHOLA TOWNSHIP

Board of Supervisors

George C. Fluhr, Gregory P. Hoeper, Keith W. Raser Municipal Building 159 Twin Lakes Road Shohola PA 18458

October 12, 2023

ATTENDANCE:

 Supervisors; Chairman, Gregory P. Hoeper, Vice-Chair, Keith Raser, Supervisor, George C. Fluhr and Solicitor, Jason Ohliger, Secretary, Diana Blume and all others on the attached list.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 7:30PM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

• **Motion** to approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board September 12, 2023, made by **Supervisor Fluhr, second by Chairman Hoeper, motion carried**.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES:

 Motion to approve the list of expenditures for September 2023, made by Chairman Hoeper Vice-Chair Raser, second by, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT:

 Motion to approve Treasurers' Report for September 2023, made by Vice-Chair Raser, second by Chairman Hoeper, motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Michele Flemming – Cabinet Shop Conditional Use: Motion to approve Conditional Use with
the one condition that the hours of operation for customers is during daylight hours only,
made by Vice-Chair Raser, second by Supervisor Fluhr, motion carried.

SOLICITORS REPORT

None

Motion to go into executive session at 7:40pm to discuss personnel, made by Vice-Chair Raser, second by Supervisor Fluhr

Reconvened regular meeting at 7:55pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

• Shohola Park & Recreation Committee is hosting their annual Pumpkins in the Park on October 14, 2023, starting at 11am and ending around 2pm.

OLD BUSINESS:

• Fire Department: Supervisors discussed the ordinance and asked questions with regards to their current financial statements and also questions regarding certifications that were provided. Board is requesting the list of assets as stated in the Ordinance. No formal action taken.

NEW BUSINESS:

• Budget: **Motion** to advertise the posting of the proposed budget for 2024, **made by Vice- Chair Raser, second by Chairman Hoeper, motion carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE

• Letter from Thomas Farley

REPORTS TO THE BOARD

• Building Permits 10 residential building permits in September 2023

• Zoning and Sewage 4 Zoning, 4 Sewage and 2 Well Permits in September 2023

Road Department - Finished work on Parkers' Glen, cleaning ditches, finished grading.

• Park Committee – Pumpkins in the Park may be reduced to providing pumpkins and candy only due to the anticipated rain.

• Fire Department - 11 service call in September 2023.

• Ambulance – 11 calls for service in Shohola. Ambulance

has bill out over \$17000.00 and receive \$5370.00 to date.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Christine Protsko asked questions regarding where the two-mileage tax increase for the ambulance would go towards. She also asked if the Township intends on purchasing a QRV. Township Secretary/Treasurer explained what the two mills will cover and that the Township has no immediate plans to purchase a QRV. The Treasurer further advised that if each resident looked their current tax bill, they can look at the 2 mill tax that they are currently paying for the fire department and that is the exact number they will pay towards the ambulance tax.
- **Anthony Farula** asked if commercial properties would be assessed the two mills differently because of its commercial. Solicitor Ohliger advised it is assessed by the improvements of the property.

SUPERVISORS COMMENTS:

- **Chairman Hoeper** -congratulated the Township Secretary, Diana, on the work on the budget for 2024. He also mentioned that the Secretary as well as John Knapp and Jeffrey DeGroat from the Road Department on the work they put in to write a grant for a much-needed Tractor to address the parallel ditches.
- **Vice-Chair Raser,** advised the residents he and State Rep. Joseph Adams, and Commissioner Matt Osterburg were instrumental is obtaining \$200K for repaving of Bee Hallow Road.
- **Tony Waldron** County Commissioner who is running again to maintain his seat as Commission talked to the residents regarding his desire to hold his position.
- Motion to adjourn at 8:36pm made by Vice-Chair Raser, second by Supervisor Fluhr, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Diana Blume Township Secretary