# ELK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES May 1st, 2023

The Board of Supervisors' May 1, 2023, meeting convened at 7:01 PM at the Township Building. The following Supervisors were present: Vice Chairman Estace Walters, and Member Milton Rudy. Chairman Albert Jezyk, Jr. was not in attendance.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

No public comment.

### **New Stormwater Ordinance Discussion**

Township Solicitor, Winnie Sebastian, was present to discuss the new Storm Water Management Ordinance. She informed the audience that the Chester County DEP decided it is time for updates to the Stormwater Management rules. Ms. Sebastian explained the minor changes in language and how Elk will be minimally affected.

Estace Walters asked for clarity on millings and if they were considered impervious. Ms. Sebastian answered that yes, they are considered impervious but only on a new driveway. Audience member Donna Ellingson asked when the new SMW plan takes effect. Ms. Sebastian replied that anything built prior to our 2013 Stormwater Management adoption will be exempt and new rules will only apply to new construction post-adoption of the new Ordinance. Audience member Mark Plauger asked if there would be any changes to the square footage limit which requires SMW planning. Ms. Sebastian answered that there were no changes to the square footage limitations.

Estace Walters made a motion to Advertise the Ordinance, Milton Rudy seconded the motion.

#### Oxford Area Recreation Authority Requests Support for DCED Grant

Estace Walters read aloud the full formal request from OARA seeking support from Elk Township in their Pursuit of funding from the DCED Greenway and Trails Grant Program. Estace then read the Township's Support Letter to the Audience. Estace Walters motioned to approve the formal support for OARA. Milton Rudy seconded the motion.

### **Medic 94 Funding**

Estace Walters read aloud to the Audience the annual funding request from Southern Chester County Medic 94, Emergency Medical Services. The funding request for year 2023 is \$8820.00. In addition, Estace read the supplemental funding request, in the amount of \$2730.00. Estace Walters motioned to approve the full payment. Milton Rudy seconded.

### **Sterling Property Update**

Michael Corcoran relayed that Township Solicitor Max O'Keefe had informed him that William Sterling's appeal of the District Court judgment in favor of the Township had been denied. Neighbors in the audience remarked that there was still renter activity on the property and recently two new cars coming and going on a regular basis.

#### **Election Day May 16th**

Estace Walters reminded everyone in the audience that election day was Tuesday, May 16th.

# **PSATS Conference**

Michael Corcoran discussed his experience attending the 2023 Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors Conference at the Hershey Lodge. Michael relayed that the classes were engaging and informative. Michael noted a recurring theme at the Conference was townships should consider adopting Ordinances setting rules in place for Wind and Solar farms as this is becoming a common issue in comparable Townships.

### **June BOS Meeting**

Estace Walters stated that the next BOS meeting would be held Monday, June 5th.

### **STAFF REPORTS Secretary's Report**

On a motion made by Estace Walters, seconded by Milt Rudy, the April 3rd, 2023, Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes were approved. The vote was unanimous.

### **Treasurer's Report**

On a motion made by Estace Walters, seconded by Milt Rudy, the Bills to be Paid for May were approved, except for Roadmaster. The vote was unanimous.

# **Tax Collector**

April 2023: \$1158.85

#### **Planning Commission**

No Report.

#### **Zoning Hearing Board**

No action.

#### Roadmaster

Estace Walters reported that the sinkhole on Wills Farm Rd. has been fixed by Dave Harlan. Estace also had Dave Harlan pave a section of Reisler Road. Estace cleaned up broken glass from a rear windshield broken during PennDOT paving State Rd. Tires needed collected off Elk Mills Rd. and a mattress and box spring needed collected off Chrome Rd.

#### **Emergency Management Coordinator**

Milton Rudy reported that OxREM had its first meeting in 3 years. OxREM is not dissolving but because they are inactive will send back unused funds to Townships. Elk will receive \$1750.00. Milton commented that the Chester County Health Department wants OxREM to stay in place since OxREM is responsible for being able to prepare Penns Grove School to service 30,000 people if needed. Milton Rudy then suggested that Elk Township join the Avon Grove Emergency Management Group because they are very active.

#### Oxford Area Recreation Authority (OARA)

No Report.

# **TRAILS REPORT**

No report.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

Estace Walters thanked everyone who attended Township Clean-Up Day.

Michael Corcoran commented that Daniel Blank was expected to soon begin installing jacks under the Township Building in preparation for the floor joist repairs.

Milton Rudy let everyone know he had obtained a wonderful portrait of Terri Kukoda from her husband Steve. Milton plans to have it copied and framed to place inside the Township Building.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

No New Business

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No Public Comment

Meeting Adjourned at 7:49 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Corcoran Secretary/ Treasurer