

ELK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING MINUTES
May 6th, 2024

The Board of Supervisors' May 6th, 2024 meeting convened at 7:00 PM at the Township Building. The following Supervisors were present: Chairman Albert Jezyk, Jr. Vice Chairman Estace Walters, and Member Milton Rudy.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

No public comment.

Oxford Region Planning Commission Meeting and Douglas Azar Communication (Christiana Hospital)

Albert Jezyk gave the audience a summary of the most recent ORPC meeting, held April 24th, the discussion topics for the Oxford Regions plans to represent Agricultural History, as well as review the Preliminary Land Development of the Moran Farms Property. Albert Jezyk also read a letter from Douglas Azar regarding the development of the Christiana Care West Grove Campus (formerly Jennersville Hospital), opening next year.

Brandywine Conservancy Membership Renewal

Michael Corcoran requested the Board of Supervisors approve a payment of \$450.00 for renewal of Elk Township's membership to the Brandywine Conservancy's Subscribers Program. Estace Walters made a motion to approve the payment, Milt Rudy seconded the motion, the vote was unanimously approved.

PHMC and Historical Advisory Board Grant Opportunity

Michael Corcoran informed the Board of Supervisors of a small grant opportunity that could benefit the Township. The Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission (PHMC) and the PA State Historical Records Advisory Board are providing grant money to assist with costs related to historical records significant to Pennsylvania.

Communication from Neil Land to the Board of Supervisors RE: Fisher Zoning Hearing

Albert Jezyk read aloud a letter from Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor, Neil Land, informing the Board that on May 1, 2024 the ZHB by a 2 to 1 vote granted the requested variance to permit a proposed accessory barn to be located in the front yard of 105 Lombard Rd.

Solar Ordinance Update

Milt Rudy provided an update on the Elk Township Solar Ordinance. Milton explained that he would meet with Township Solicitor Winnie Sebastian to discuss the final details. The Ordinance will be ready for adoption in the next month or two.

G 402 NIMS Overview for Senior Officials

Milt Rudy explained that the purpose of the G 402 training was to familiarize Officials with their role in supporting incident management within the National Incident Management System. Milt added that FEMA had provided 85 pages of course material for the training but that he would be providing a cliff notes version for anyone interested. The training will be in-person only and is scheduled for May 21, 6-9PM at the Chester County Public Safety Training Campus.

Township Clean-Up Day

Albert Jezyk thanked everyone who attended the Township Clean-Up Day. Estace Walters commented that we collected 1240lbs of trash.

June BOS Meeting

Albert Jezyk stated that the next BOS meeting would be held on June 3rd.

STAFF REPORTS Secretary's Report

On a motion made by Estace Walters, seconded by Milt Rudy, the April 1st, 2024, Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes were approved. The vote was unanimous.

Treasurer's Report

Michael Corcoran reported the totals of the bills to be paid for the month of April. On a motion made by Albert Jezyk seconded by Milt Rudy, the bills to be paid, except Roadmaster, were approved. The Roadmaster bill was approved on a motion made by Albert Jezyk, seconded by Milt Rudy. Estace Abstained.

Tax Collector

April 2024: \$7636.86 Collected.

Planning Commission

Albert Jezyk reads the minutes, noting that the Planning Commission did not object to the Fisher ZHB request.

Historic Commission

Mary Gruber informed the Board of Supervisors that she is attending the June 7th planning session for the Chesco 250. Mary asked the Board of Supervisors what they thought about the County placing permanent County-owned signage in the Elk Township parking lot. She also added that the County wants all townships to identify important historical sites, Old Stone Cemetery being one of them. The chromium mine, which was important during World War II, and the Serpentine Mine were discussed. Mary ended with a reminder that "The Path to Freedom" is most important to the County.

Open Space Committee

No Report

Trails Coordinator

No Report

Zoning Hearing Board

No Report

Roadmaster

Estace Walters read his monthly report and noted that Dave Harlan has not yet given any estimates for paving on Glen Hope Rd. or Elk Mills Rd. but that tree work would need to be done as well as other preliminary work before the road project could begin on Glen Hope Rd. Michael Corcoran relayed a conversation with Eric Quinn, from Chester County, construction on the Camp Bonsall Bridge would begin this Summer and some improvements to the Hickory Hill Rd. Bridge would also start a month or two later.

Emergency Management Coordinator

Milton Rudy.

Oxford Area Recreation Authority (OARA)

Albert Jezyk read a message from OARA stating that they have listened to the Townships' requests to reduce costs and have hired a new landscaping company which provided OARA a considerable savings.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Albert Jezyk read a proposal from JZ Property Maintenance to maintain the Township grounds for \$58 a week, less than half of what the Township currently pays. Albert Jezyk made a motion to hire JZ Property Maintenance, Milt Rudy seconded, the vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment

Meeting Adjourned at 8:19 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael Corcoran
Secretary/ Treasurer