

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

**January 11, 2024
7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM by Chairperson R. Unangst.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:

R. Unangst announced the executive session held on January 11, 2024 on personnel.

ROLL CALL:

Present were: Chairperson, R. Unangst; Vice Chairperson, M. Schwartz, Supervisor, C. Cruz; Supervisor, D. Heiney; Supervisor, G. Hunsicker; Township Engineer Representative, J. Milot; Township Manager, B. Green; and Township Secretary, K. Hall.

Absent was Township Solicitor, J. Piperato, III.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion to approve the minutes of November 8, 2023, December 13, 2023, and January 2, 2024 was made by M. Schwartz. Seconded by D. Heiney. VOTE: C. Cruz, yes; D. Heiney, yes; G. Hunsicker, yes; M. Schwartz, yes; R. Unangst, yes. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (3 min. /individual –Agenda Items only)

There was no public comment.

CHECKS TO BE APPROVED:

A motion to Ratify General Fund Checks No. 2500 to No. 2568 totaling \$129,112.36 was made by C. Cruz. Seconded by G. Hunsicker. VOTE: C. Cruz, yes; D. Heiney, yes; G. Hunsicker, yes; M. Schwartz, yes; R. Unangst, yes. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

SUPERVISOR'S BUSINESS:

1. Discussion on North Halbea Street Bridge

B. Green presented the six month check and significance of the steel arches to the bridge. The Board Discussed a public meeting be held for a general consensus about the future of the bridge and possible removal. R. Unangst questioned the costs to refill and repair the bridge. J. Milot estimated the costs to refill the bridge being approximately two or three million dollars with a repair estimate of three to five million. Discussion on a traffic study, closing the bridge, and putting restrictions up ensued. A motion to authorize Township staff and Hanover Engineering staff to investigate further and to set up a public meeting to discuss options was made by M. Schwartz. Seconded

by C. Cruz. VOTE: C. Cruz, yes; D. Heiney, yes; G. Hunsicker, yes; M. Schwartz, yes; R. Unangst, yes. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Recommendation to Adopt Resolution 2024 – 06 for the Snowdrift Self Storage Building Sewage Planning Module Component 2

B. Green described the plan to the Board. A motion to adopt Resolution 2024 – 06 for the Snowdrift Self Storage Building Sewage Planning Module Component 2 was made by M. Schwartz. Seconded by D. Heiney. VOTE: C. Cruz, yes; D. Heiney, yes; G. Hunsicker, yes; M. Schwartz, yes; R. Unangst, yes. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Recommendation to Purchase Light Duty Dump Truck Not to Exceed \$144,199.00

B. Green discussed the need for a light duty dump truck for public works. B. Green notified the Board that the dump truck was in the 2024 budget. Discussion on need and type of chassis with prices of upfit ensued. R. Unangst voiced concerns and requested more quotes. The discussion was tabled.

4. Consideration to Appoint Representative to the Northampton Regional Emergency Medical Services Inc. Board

B. Green discussed the Sunshine Law and that this meeting would formalize the appointment from last meeting. A motion to appoint M. Schwartz to serve as a representative to the Northampton Regional Emergency Medical Services Inc. Board was made by C. Cruz. Seconded by D. Heiney. VOTE: C. Cruz, yes; D. Heiney, yes; G. Hunsicker, yes; M. Schwartz, yes; R. Unangst, yes. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

STAFF REPORTS:

1. Manager

There was no report

2. Secretary

There was no report.

3. Treasurer

The report was given to the Board.

4. Tax Collector

The report was given to the Board. B. Green mentioned that 95% of the taxes were collected and that was higher than usual.

5. Solicitor

There was no report.

6. Engineer

The report was given to the Board. A motion to reject the Jenkins Machine Shop Lot Consolidation Plan if a time extension is not received by the end of the month was made by M. Schwartz. Seconded by D. Heiney. VOTE: C. Cruz, yes; D. Heiney, yes; G. Hunsicker, yes; M. Schwartz, yes; R. Unangst, yes. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion to reject the 5700 Nor-Bath Blvd Major Subdivision if a time extension is not received by the end of the month was made by M. Schwartz. Seconded by D. Heiney. VOTE: C. Cruz, yes; D. Heiney, yes; G. Hunsicker, yes; M. Schwartz, yes; R. Unangst, yes. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

7. **Public Works**

A report was given to the Board.

8. **Planning**

There was no report.

9. **Recreation**

The report was given to the Board.

10. **Zoning**

There was no report.

11. **FRCA**

The report was given to the Board. D. Heiney notified the Board that a staffing issue is the reason for the restrictive schedule.

12. **Ambulance**

The report was given to the Board.

13. **Fire Department**

The report was given to the Board.

14. **Open Space & Farmland Preservation**

C. Cruz informed the Board that the first meeting was January 17, 2024

15. **River Central Regional Comp. Plan**

B. Green notified the Board that the first meeting was January 18, 2024.

16. **Board of Supervisors**

There was no report.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn at 7:52 PM was made by D. Heiney. Seconded by G. Hunsicker. VOTE: C. Cruz, yes; D. Hunsicker, yes; M. Schwartz, yes; R. Unangst, yes. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.