

**GIRARD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
February 13, 2024**

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Lindy Platz at 7:00 PM.

Present: Supervisors Lindy Platz, Pete Dion, and Clay Brocious, Roadmaster Jeff Ferrick and Zoning Administrator Tiffany Kramer, Sandy Anderson, Dennis Olesnanik, Ray Penkalski, Matthew Baldwin and Tom Hosack.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE AGENDA- *None*

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA WHICH INCLUDES:

The **MEETING MINUTES** from 01/23/24;
The **INVOICES** from 01/24/24 through 02/13/24;
The **PAYROLLS** ending 02/03/24 and 02/10/24;

Motion by C. Brocious, seconded by L. Platz to approve the Consent Agenda, motion carried (2-0). Pete Dion abstained due to being absent from the previous meeting.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

The Planning Commission gave a favorable recommendation for a 10-foot pavement setback fronting Ridge Rd./Rt. 20 for the proposed development at 9101 Ridge Rd.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES/AGREEMENTS

Motion by P. Dion, seconded by C. Brocious to approve Resolution 24-01 Disposition of Municipal Records, motion carried (3-0).

OLD BUSINESS

L. Platz asked if anyone heard about the run that Erie's Runners Club was hosting, but no one had seen or heard anything.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by L. Platz, seconded by P. Dion to appoint Ray Penkalski to the Water & Sewer Authority with a term expiration date of 12/31/28, motion carried (3-0).

Motion by C. Brocious, seconded by L. Platz to approve Matthew Baldwin's request for a modification of the SALDO Ch. 174-27 allowing him to have a 10-foot pavement setback fronting Ridge Rd./Rt. 20 for a proposed development at 9101 Ridge Rd. Motion carried, (3-0).

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Ashley Porter reported that they are prepared to advertise to bid for the work to be done at Uncle John's Campground and award it at the March 26th meeting. Lake City Water & Sewer Authority has completed their review. The Township is required to allow Lake City public hookup. Lastly, Ashley had to add a meter to the pump station per DEP.

Ashley is planning to advertise to bid on the Miller Rd. Culvert project by the end of February and award the bid at the April 9th meeting.

Regarding Birchdale, Ashley stated that the planning has been submitted to Fairview, Millcreek, and the City of Erie asking for a sewer capacity review. Fairview Township requested a meeting to discuss the full submittal.

COMMENTS FROM THE SUPERVISORS

C. Brocious said that Fairview Supervisor Justin Pacansky reached out to him. They are tar and chipping their section of Barker Rd. and wanted to know if Girard Township also wanted our section done with Girard reimbursing Fairview for materials. C. Brocious also stated that Attorney Chris McLure emailed him in response to some confusion as to whether it is the Township's responsibility to clean up the fallen trees in the ROW after a

storm. She said that while the property is not owned by the township, we are responsible for clean-up. Jeff Ferrick said that PA law states otherwise and that a township is not responsible. L. Platz suggested asking Scott Colburn of PSATS for clarification.

L. Platz said she was contacted by Steve Michael, Platea Fire Co., to see if she could set up a PLGIT account for them. After a short discussion, it was decided that she would find out why Platea Borough wasn't doing this for them. Also, L. Platz shared that the state police were moving their offices to Erie. Discussion was had regarding setting up a meeting to learn more about how that will affect the coverage around us.

COMMENTS FROM THE STAFF-None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tom Hosack thanked the road crew for their help with the cleanup of the big windstorm. Sandy Anderson asked how the fire tax would be split, which is equally between the three departments. She also asked if a permit was needed to install a concrete driveway, which it is not. Ray Penkalski inquired about the solar farm.

Motion by C. Brocious, seconded by L. Platz to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 P.M., motion carried (3-0).

Respectfully submitted,

Lindy L. Platz, Secretary