

**Newlin Township
Board of Supervisors
Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2021**

Call to Order: The Board of Supervisors' monthly meeting convened at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, September 13, 2021, at the Township Garage located at 1751 Embreeville Road. Present were Supervisors Bill Kelsall (Chair), Bob Pearson and Jim Cornell, and Secretary/Treasurer Gail Abel.

Announcements: No Announcements.

Comments: Mr. Pearson provided an update on Hurricane Ida, which occurred on September 1, 2021. He advised that the Embreeville Bridge (on Rte 162), damaged during the storm and currently closed, should be dealt with as an emergency repair and advised that he will contact Representative Christine Sappey. Ed Lewis (residing on Harvey Bridge Road) commented on Hurricane Ida and that the inlet at Owl Creek on Brandywine Creek Road needs cleaned out. Mr. Pearson noted that that is a State road. Bennett Baird (residing on Brandywine Creek Road) commented that the culvert near his driveway has dropped about 8" and the pavement has collapsed. He also complimented the Township on the recent Harvey's Bridge Road improvements. Mr. Jack Law (residing on Garnet Lane) echoed Mr. Baird's Harvey's Bridge Road comments, and requested that the Board consider again upgrading Harvey's Bridge so that it could support heavier equipment, such as fire trucks.

Mr. Pearson announced that Nancy Mohr had passed away, noting her many contributions to the Township as well as her work along with the Brandywine Conservancy on the revitalization of Kennett Square.

Minutes: Ms. Abel presented the minutes of the August 9, 2021, Board Meeting. Mr. Pearson's motion to approve those minutes was seconded by Mr. Cornell and unanimously approved.

Financial Report: Ms. Abel presented the monthly Financial Report: As of August 31, 2021, the Township had \$1,099,938.03 on deposit, including \$618,814.73 in general and unrestricted funds. Overall, this represents a net decrease of \$7,495.63 since July 31, 2021. Mr. Cornell suggested moving additional funds to Malvern Bank, since it provides the highest rate of return. Mr. Pearson's motion to accept the Financial Report was seconded by Mr. Cornell and unanimously approved.

Payment Authorization: Ms. Abel presented a list of pending bills, invoices, and other recurring/routine payments totaling \$30,022.66; \$12,932.83 from the general fund and \$17,089.83 from the State Liquid Fuel Fund and requested payment authorization. Mr. Pearson's motion to authorize the payment of the listed items was seconded by Mr. Cornell and unanimously approved.

Snow Removal Bid Letting Advertisement Approval: Mr. Pearson announced that the township will be advertising for snow removal for the 2021-2022 season, with bids to be

opened at the Board's October meeting. He noted that since the Township started using an outside contractor, snow removal expenses have not gone over budget.

Bid Letting for Construction Materials: Ms. Abel advised that the Township had advertised in the Daily Local News on August 27th & September 3rd for the procurement and delivery of construction materials for pipe needed for the Laurel Road project, and had received one bid in response, from Old Castle Infrastructure. Mr. Pearson opened and reviewed the sealed bid. Mr. Pearson's motion to accept the bid was seconded by Mr. Cornell and unanimously approved.

Unionville Area Regional Comprehensive Plan – Consultants Proposal: Ms. Abel advised that only one consulting proposal had been received – from the Brandywine Conservancy - in response to the Request for Proposal advertised by the Implementation Committee for the Unionville Area Regional Comprehensive Plan (in which Newlin Township participates), noting that she had previously provided a copy of the proposal to each of the Supervisors. Mr. Pearson's motion to approve the Regional Planning Committee's acceptance of the proposal was seconded by Mr. Cornell and unanimously approved.

Adjournment: Upon Mr. Pearson's motion, seconded by Mr. Cornell, the meeting was adjourned.

Time: 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gail Abel, Secretary

