Woodcock Township Supervisors

December 12, 2023 5:00 p.m.

- The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- Attendance Roll Call: Winters X Crawford X Chess X Secretary X
- Guests: Ruth Perrine, Merle Spaid, Susan Black
- Public Comment on Agenda Items- None
- Approval of Minutes of Nov. 14, 2023, moved by Crawford, seconded by Chess, approved by unanimous vote.
- Approval to pay bills (bills list provided) moved by Chess, seconded by Crawford, approved by unanimous vote.
- FREE COMPOST-YOU LOAD
- Next Meeting is TUESDAY JANUARY 2, 2024 @ 5:00 p.m. ORGANIZATION MEETING, REGULAR MEETING FOLLOWS at approx. 5:15 p.m.

New Business

- 1. Generator-UPDATE- Last month's quotes came in over the bidding threshold; Secretary will request new quotes.
- 2. Budget-Motion to adopt 2024 budget w/no tax increase as presented, so moved by Chess, seconded by Crawford, approved by unanimous vote.
- 3. Approve 2024 meeting dates and authorize advertisement of same, so moved by Crawford, seconded by Chess; approved by unanimous vote.
- 4. Hall Rental-Discussion on whether to keep renting out to parties (top 3 rentals- little kids b-day, baby showers, graduation parties) Fee schedule to be adopted 1/2/24. Much discussion ensued with the audience participation; the Board tentatively suggested an increase in the fee and security deposit as opposed to stop renting altogether. Proposed fee is \$250/rental w/\$200 security deposit—to be voted on at Jan 2, 2024 meeting.
- 5. Wagner Drive property- Discussion when to mow; Should Solicitor send letter? Secretary will check w/ Twp Solicitor to see if our contracted mower that has his own insurance, can mow the property.
- 6. Old sign w/ vinyl letters- Motion to donate to Randolph VFD, so moved by Chess, seconded by Crawford; approved by unanimous vote.
- 7. Covid Policy Review/Update- after much discussion and review of other township's policies, the Board agreed to go back to our original sick leave policy and a person is sick and stays home must use sick leave or vacation days in order to be paid.
- 8. Northwest CD- Maturity Date 12/15; Motion to, 1. Renew if CD interest rate is the same or higher, 2. Not renew. Winters moved, Crawford seconded Secretary/Treasurer to get interest rates and invest with highest rate; approved by unanimous vote.
- 9. Solar Ordinance- Motion to have Alan review and ready for adoption early 2024, so moved by Crawford, seconded by Chess; approved by unanimous vote.
- 10. Zoning Ordinance- Motion to approve the correction of administrative error in R-2, Section 905.1 Table of Uses- Removal of the second title bar "Permitted Accessory Uses" and move those uses listed to "Permitted Uses". Correction of typographical error moved by Crawford, seconded by Chess; approved by unanimous vote. The Board will also revisit the IPMC to decide if they would rather adopt it as written or include updates in the township's property maintenance code version adopted in 2008.

Department Reports

 Road Foreman- Jason Crawford-filling potholes; fixing signs; cleaning ditches; plowed a few times; working on Woodcock Village Grant project; guys are on winters hours, but during lengthy spans of good weather will be 6-230. Road crew will watch Cannon at Rt. 86 better, as requested by S. Black- can get slippery if PennDOT doesn't salt when they turn around there. Chess pointed out Bockman Hollow at pavement's end has potholes.

- 2. Tax Collector- Sarah Medvec- not present
- 3. Zoning/Code- Renee Hayes- The new website has launched! www.woodcocktownship.com There are a few tweaks needed; One permit issued for construction \$10,000.

<u>Public Comment Period</u> Merle Spaid wondered if the chain link fence he put up in the late 80's would be torn down and yes it will to make the ballfield that hasn't been used for 10+ years, accessible for trucks to dump millings. Merle also stated as an elected auditor he felt intimidated to always give the working supervisor a raise because the Supervisor's meet before the auditors do to give employee raises and then he feels obligated to do the same.

Reminders Next Meeting is TUESDAY JANUARY 2, 2024 @ 5:00 p.m. ORGANIZATION MEETING, REGULAR MEETING FOLLOWS.

2024 proposed meeting dates:

BOS at 5:00 p.m. - Jan 2, Feb 13, Mar 12, Apr 9, May 14, June 11, July 9, Aug 13, Sept 10, Oct 8, Nov 12, Dec. 10. **WTPC at 3:30 p.m.** - Jan 4, Feb 1, Mar 7, Apr 4, May 2, June 6, July 11, Aug 1, Sept 5, Oct 3, Nov 7, Dec 5.

Adjourned: 6:44 p.m.

Renee D. Hayes, Secretary