# Eden Township Board of Supervisors Minutes of the March 11, 2024 Meeting 489 Stony Hill Road, Quarryville, PA 17566

<u>Call-to-Order:</u> Supervisor Joseph Rineer called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

<u>Attendance:</u> Supervisors Joseph Rineer, David Rineer and Lawrence Stoltzfus; JD Shaubach and Szilvia Troutman. Also, the following members of the public: Elam Stoltzfoos, Rick Ely, Jason Skonberg, Leo & Barb Tollinger, Diane Boyd, Omar F. Esh.

# **Public Participation:**

<u>Elam Stoltzfoos</u> (Quarry Edge Dr. Lot 3) of Solanco Building Supply asked the Supervisors for clarification regarding the violation follow-up letter he had received from the Twp Engineer. The letter required him to clean up Lot 3 in the Quarry Edge Industrial Park by March 7, 2024. The Supervisors explained that the land disturbance had to be corrected and the material pile had to be removed from the lot. Mr. Stoltzfoos will report on his progress at the May meeting.

<u>Alvin K. Esh</u> (139 Bushong Rd) presented a stormwater plan for approval. The plan was approved following a motion by Joseph Rineer and second by David Rineer. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Leo and Barb Tollinger</u> (1108 Dry Wells Rd) raised concerns about large amounts of mud on Dry Wells Rd at the Rhoades farm, the number and speed of tractor trailers and buses traveling past their house and the use of brake retarders. JD will speak with Jerome Rhoads about the mud issue at his farm. PennDot will be contacted about conducting a traffic study on Dry Wells Rd between Hess Rd and Rt 472.

<u>Diane Boyd</u> (9 Albright Way) was in attendance to explain her resignation from the Twp Board of Auditors due to a potential conflict of personalities on the Board.

Omar F. Esh (353 Camargo Rd) shared an update about his project – a stormwater plan had been submitted to the Twp Engineer for review. The proposed building is 50'x52' with a 2,500 sq ft work area. The Supervisors had no issues with the total size being slightly over 2,500 sq ft.

<u>Supervisors Meeting Minutes:</u> The minutes of the February 12, 2024 Supervisors meeting were reviewed. Joseph Rineer motioned, Lawrence Stoltzfus seconded to approve the minutes; motion carried unanimously.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> The Treasurer's report for February 2024, in the amount of \$775,744.30 (attached), was approved on a motion by Joseph Rineer and seconded by David Rineer; motion carried unanimously.

<u>Payment of Bills:</u> The list of bills to be paid in March 2024, in the amount of \$30,073.83 (attached), was approved on a motion by Joseph Rineer and seconded by Lawrence Stoltzfus; motion carried unanimously.

**SEO Report:** No report.

<u>Tax Collector's Report:</u> The Tax Collector's report listed activity in the amount of \$879.06 for the month of February plus \$13.75 collected in interim taxes.

**Zoning Officer's Report:** The Zoning Officer's report listed activity in the amount of \$1,350.80 for the month of February 2024 plus \$5,600 in stormwater application fees and escrow. The Supervisors asked Szilvi to have Solanco Engineering check whether the camper has been removed from 966 Valley Rd.

**Road Work Report:** The Road Work report of activity in February 2024 was reviewed.

Solanco Public Safety Committee: No report.

<u>Emergency Management</u> The upcoming Farm Safety Day and Car Seat Event will be advertised in the spring newsletter and on the Twp website. Flyers about LEMA's new severe weather alert notification system will also be included. The Hazard Mitigation Plan worksheets were handed in to the County. Jason is working on the burn ordinance. He will check whether funding could be obtained from Constellation to pave Eden Rd between Groff & May Post Office Rd as this section of road is part of the Peach Bottom evacuation route.

Southern Lancaster County Inter-Municipal Council: No report.

<u>Correspondence</u>: Received correspondence was reviewed and disseminated. Szilvi will register Joe and Lawrence for the LCATS spring meeting.

## **Old Business:**

Rail Trail MOU: No update.

<u>Rail Trail Improvement Project Update:</u> The project is ahead of schedule and could possibly be completed by mid-summer. Status meetings are held every two weeks. The slope of the trail approaching Bushong Rd is not likely to be changed and remains a maintenance concern. Paving the parking lot is part of the project.

On a motion by Joseph Rineer and seconded by David Rineer, the Supervisors voted to sign a support letter to assist Bart Twp in obtaining DCNR grant funding for developing the trail between Hollow Rd and Lamparter Rd. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>USDA Rural Facilities Loan Pre-Application Update:</u> The preapplication is under USDA review.

<u>Camargo Rd Traffic Study Update:</u> As a result of the traffic study, the speed limit on Camargo Rd has been lowered from 40 mph to 35 mph between the Providence/Eden Twp line and Stone Rd.

<u>Grant Writing Update:</u> Szilvi spoke with GMS Funding Solutions as a potential grant writing resource for the Township. They recommended pursuing Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP) funding for the proposed municipal building project. (Projects of minimum \$1M qualify for up to 50% funding.) GMS Funding Solutions works on a retainer basis for a fee of \$5,000/month.

# **New Business:**

<u>Resignation of Twp Auditors Diane Boyd and Darlene Hopkins:</u> On a motion by Joseph Rineer and seconded by David Rineer, the Supervisors accepted the resignation of Twp Auditors Diane Boyd and Darlene Hopkins. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Twp Audit Options (Elected Auditors or CPA):</u> Options were discussed for conducting the Twp audit following the resignation of two of the three auditors. A CPA audit would cost over \$10,000. On a motion by Joseph Rineer and seconded by Lawrence Stoltzfus, the Supervisors voted to appoint Dustin Giffing and Chris Shertzer as Twp Auditors. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Public Participation:**

Rick Ely (1220 May Post Office Rd) complained about a water runoff issue on May Post Office Rd before Stony Hill Rd.

Omar F. Esh (353 Camargo Rd) inquired about the approval process to change his driveway. He will need to contact PennDot as Camargo Rd is a state road.

<u>Adjournment:</u> A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Joseph Rineer and seconded by David Rineer; motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Szilvia Troutman

Joseph L. Rineer

David G. Rineer

Lawrence M. Stoltzfus