

Lower Milford Township

Lehigh County, Pennsylvania

Board of Supervisors

April 18, 2024 Regular Meeting

MINUTES

Present: Ellen Koplin, Chair; Lowell Linde, Vice-Chair; Timothy Cogle, Supervisor; Mark Cappuccio, Township Solicitor; Emily Fucci, Township Administrator/Secretary; and 26 members of the Public.

The meeting was called to order at 6:36PM by Koplin.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Number 19 "Summary of Meeting with PennDOT to discuss resident petitions from Hosensack and Limeport" was moved forward to accommodate the members of the public present for the matter. Fucci provided the Board with an overview of the meeting held on March 20, 2024 with PennDOT regarding the resident petitions. Fucci provided information on how to proceed if the Board wanted to install speed display signs on Kings Highway or Limeport Pike. Public comments were received from residents Ed Lounsberry, Bonnie Smith, Bill Smith, Donald Cooper, Ed Gangawere, Kelly Houser, Lori Sickenberger, Ron Tomes and Jason Flexer regarding traffic concerns on Kings Highway and Limeport Pike and finding a solution with PennDOT to address the concerns.

Motion by Linde to approve the March 21, 2024 regular meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Cogle and unanimously approved.

Motion by Linde to approve the April 4, 2024 workshop meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Cogle and unanimously approved.

Koplin read the Treasurer's report as of March 31, 2024 aloud:

• General Fund	\$ 1,824,949.00
• Historical Registry Fund	5,735.00
• Fee-In-Lieu of Fund	24,000.00
• Sewer Fund	123,387.00
• Capital Reserve Fund	178,005.00
• Fire Fund	210,918.00
• Highway Capital Improvement	332,445.00
• ARPA of 2021 Fund	38,829.00
• State Liquid Fuels Tax Account	325,457.00
• Developer Escrow (Non-Township Funds)	37,225.00

Motion by Linde to approve the Treasurer's report as of March 31, 2024 as read. Seconded by Cogle and unanimously approved.

Motion by Cogle to authorize paying the April 2024 bills. Seconded by Linde and unanimously approved.

Koplin announced the Administrator Report for April 18, 2024, the Zoning report for March 2024, the Public Works report for March 2024 and the Administrative Assistant report for March 2024. Motion by Linde to accept the reports as presented. Seconded by Cogle and unanimously approved.

Koplin announced the March 2024 Macungie Ambulance report.

Fire Company representative Ed Miller thanked the Township for opening Limeport Pike after a recent storm when both PennDOT and Verizon refused to move a fallen tree. Miller announced the Spring Craft Show is being held on Saturday, April 20, 2024, hoagie sales and perogie sales are currently accepting orders and they are planning to potentially hold bingo. Miller has not received any updates on the upcoming County upgrade of radio systems.

Under Old Business:

Fucci confirmed there has not been an update on vacating Janes Lane and the item was tabled.

Discussion was held on the bids received for the office roof replacement. Motion by Cogle to table awarding the bid for the office roof replacement until the May 16, 2024 regular meeting to allow for additional time to review all bids received. Seconded by Linde and unanimously approved.

Fucci opened the received road bids from New Enterprise Stone and Lime, Highway Materials and Asphalt Maintenance Solutions, LLC. Motion by Cogle to award the bids as follows:

New Enterprise:

Aggregates Per Ton	Price FOB	Price Delivered
500 Ton Type A#2 Anti-skid	\$16.50	\$24.25
500 Ton R-4 Rock Liner	\$16.90	\$26.10
500 Ton R-6 Rock Liner	\$16.65	\$27.40
1000 Ton (DSA)	\$18.50	\$32.05
Driving Surface Aggregate- Delivered		

Highway Materials:

Aggregates Per Ton	Price FOB	Price Delivered
3000 Ton PA-2A Subbase	\$11.00	\$19.00
500 Ton R-8 Rock Liner	\$28.50	\$40.50

Asphalt Maintenance Solutions, LLC:

Seal Coat: \$2.26 per square yard, for an approximate total of \$126,283.92.

Seconded by Linde and unanimously approved.

Motion by Linde to approve the “over the cap” payment of \$4,284.00 for the sale of the conservation easement for 42.84 acres on the Urffer/Bales farm, located at 8568 Shupps Lane. Seconded by Cogle and unanimously approved.

Under New Business:

Koplin announced receipt of Docket No. 24-04, appeal of Shane McGann for a special exception for a home related business at 4045 Limeport Pike Coopersburg, PA 18036. Motion by Cogle for the Township Solicitor to write a letter to the Zoning Hearing Board to voice their concerns on the location of the outdoor storage and any effects the business could have on the floodplain. Seconded by Linde and unanimously approved.

Motion by Cogle to initiate the seven-year review of the Agricultural Security Area. Seconded by Linde and unanimously approved.

Motion by Linde to authorize the Lower Milford Township Fire Police to assist Milford Township with the Volunteer Fire Company Annual Carnival from June 18, 2024 to June 22, 2024 and the Milford Township Annual Ag-Daze on September 14, 2024. Seconded by Cogle and unanimously approved.

Under Correspondence:

Koplin announced the April 2024 social security newsletter.

Koplin announced the County of Lehigh Board of Assessment Appeals “Board Decision Notice” for the Breach of Act 319 for John W. and Lisa L. Spurlock.

Koplin announced Lehigh County Conservation District’s free household hazardous waste event on Saturday, April 27, 2024 from 10:00AM to 12:00PM.

Under Public Comment:

Arland Schantz asked if PennDOT had a time frame for the grate bridge replacement on Limeport Pike and expressed his concerns on the bridge closure. Schantz also asked if the Township had received notice regarding First Energy’s upgrade of the high tension lines through this property.

Adrian Wooden asked what type of development could be put at the location of Dan Schantz Greenhouse now that they are out of business. Koplin responded that the property is a preserved farm and can only be used for agricultural purposes.

Jason Flexer asked if the Township has begun looking at regulations for solar farms.

Motion by Linde to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Cogle and unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Emily Fucci
Township Secretary

