



Business Meeting

April 12, 2023

The Potter Township Supervisors held their monthly Business Meeting on Wednesday April 12, 2023 at the Potter Township Municipal Building. Ms. Matsco called the meeting to order at 6:06 P.M.

In attendance were:

Supervisors: Rebecca Matsco, Earl Shamp and Al Cwynar

Secretary/Treasurer: Mark Czarnecki

Solicitor: Garen Fedeles

Engineer: Dan Sell

Citizens: Caroline Czarnecki, Pam Petrella, Lauren Patton, Terrie Baumgardner, Thaddeus Popovich, Dominick Treemarchi, Donna Treemarchi and Debra Smith

MEETINGS:

On March 22, 2023 Mr. Shamp and Mr. Cwynar met with SGA, Greenland Construction and Independence Conservancy regarding Rocky Bend Nature Preserve Barn Renovation.

On March 31, 2023 Ms. Matsco met with Shell Pipeline regarding land restoration.

On April 3, 2023 Ms. Matsco and Mr. Shamp met with SGA, Greenland Construction regarding Rocky Bend Nature Preserve Blending Barn Restoration.

On April 5, 2023 Ms. Matsco, Mr. Shamp and Mr. Cwynar held a Work Session at the Municipal Hall.

On April 12, 2023 Ms. Matsco, Mr. Shamp, Mr. Cwynar, Mr. Fedeles and Mr. Sell met in Executive Session to discuss legal issue.

READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE TOWNSHIP BUSINESS MEETING HELD ON MARCH 8, 2023.

MOTION: Al Cwynar

SECOND: Earl Shamp

MOTION CARRIED

READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION MEETING HELD ON APRIL 5, 2023.

MOTION: Earl Shamp

SECOND: Al Cwynar

MOTION CARRIED

CITIZENS:

Ms. Baumgardner discussed the issue of the continued flaring and the white light at the Shell



Plant. She introduces pictures from what had been proposed by Shell during the planning discussions to what is currently at the plant. She stated that the glare is most noticeable when cloud cover is below 2,000 feet. She also mentioned glare from the middle of the plant. She believes this to be a violation of Potter Township's Lighting Ordinance.

Ms. Matsco stated the glare from the middle of the plant was possible from the stacks at the power plant that still have white strobe lights.

Mr. Fedeles stated he had been in contact with Shell and they are in the process of hiring a company from New Zealand to conduct the light study. He had no time line for when it would be finished.

Ms. Smith asked about the Executive Session the Supervisors were having regarding litigation with Shell.

Ms. Matsco informed her that minutes are not taken at Executive Sessions.

Mr. Popovich invited the Supervisors to a meeting of groups meeting regarding the train derailment in East Palestine. He stated that they were working for better information on hazardous cargo being transported and better rail safety.

Mr. Treemarchi stated that Shell had placed a noise monitor under his deck and it would be there for about the next 3 weeks. He also noticed it seem like Shell had shifted their rail operations to mostly daylight hours. He also noticed people on trikes going down the hill from his house onto Shell's property.

OLD BUSINESS:

MOTION FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FROM PLAY&PARK STRUCTURES IN THE AMOUNT \$175,408.86.

MOTION: Al Cwynar

SECOND: Earl Shamp

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION TO DIRECT THE TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR TO DEVELOP A CONTRACT WITH THE MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY OF ALIQUIPPA FOR THE ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE PURPOSED WATER TANK LOCATED ON TOWNSHIP PROPERTY ON FRANKFORT RD.

MOTION: Earl Shamp

SECOND: Al Cwynar

NO: Rebecca Matsco MOTION CARRIED

Ms. Matsco stated she believe it was to soon for the Motion since the Township did not have an agreement to sign. Mr. Czarnecki stated he spoken to Mr. Bible from Municipal Water Authority of Aliquippa and Mr. Bible stated that they had begone the engineering work of the proposed tank and were committed to putting the tank in Potter Township. Mr. Bible also



with Shell regarding what specific direction the township wanted in regards to close out the monuments process.

Mr. Shamp stated that Shell needed to complete the monuments per prior agreements. Mr. Shamp believed that the township expected around 60 monuments and they needed to be at 3 feet in depth.

Mr. Sell said he had spoken to Ms. Fink at PennDot regarding the speed limit study on Montgomery Dam Rd and was informed that PennDot was behind but she would check with the people doing with the work and call him with an update.

Mr. Czarnecki will continue to try and contact PennDot regarding removal of the traffic light and Shell Plant Entrance #3.

PLANNING COMMISSION: No Written Report Submitted

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Mr. Cwynar complimented Ms. Carlton and Ms. Nash of the VFD to their response to an emergency recently. They arrived at the residence before the ambulance service.

RECREATION BOARD:

Mr. Cwynar stated that the Bunny Breakfast was successful and well attended.

ROAD DEPARTMENT:

Because the Board became aware today of a company finishing a logging permit Ms. Matsco introduce a Motion.

MOTION TO ESCROW \$2,000 FROM J.B.Mill TO COVER FROM POSSIBLE ROAD DAMAGE FROM LOGGING ACTIVITY.

MOTION: Earl Shamp

SECOND: Al Cwynar

MOTION CARRIED

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Mr. Cwynar informed the meeting that Chief Kramer was now retired and a new chief would be named in the near future.



REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR:

Victoria Leininger submitted the 2023 March Real Estate Tax Report to the Supervisors
Victoria Leininger submitted the Final 2022 Real Estate Tax Report to the Supervisors

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Account	Balance	Total Bills per account
General Fund Account	\$2,457,184.62	Bills for this account totaled \$111,381.77
State Liquid Fuels Account	\$23,888.27	Bills in this account totaled \$ 539.77
Capital Equipment Account	\$52,522.15	No bills.
Escrow Money Account	\$64,690.44	No bills.
Public Safety Account	\$1,608,727.96	Bills for this account totaled \$46,249.95
DCNR Grant Fund Account	\$75,783.99	No bills
Recreation Board Account	\$162.90	Bills for this account totaled \$1,380.14

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and pay the bills for the month of April 2023.

MOTION: Al Cwynar

SECOND: Earl Shamp

MOTION CARRIED

THERE BEING NO FURTHER DISCUSSION THE WORK SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:06 P.M.

MOTION: Earl Shamp

SECOND: Al Cwynar

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Czarnecki
Secretary/Treasurer