

**Board of Supervisors
Regular Meeting**

**July 5, 2022 6:30 PM
East Penn Township Community Center**

The East Penn Township Board of Supervisors conducted their July 5, 2022 regular meeting at the East Penn Township Community Center. Chairman John M. Strockoz called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Supervisors Present	Chairman John M. Strockoz Vice Chairman William G. Schwab Keith House Gary Kuehner Dennis L. Pearson
Supervisors Absent	None
Other Township Officials Present	Township Manager/Secretary/Treasurer Jillyan A. Sterling Assistant Secretary Victoria Taschler

ANNOUNCE TO PUBLIC:

The Township Electronic Recycling Event will take place at the East Penn Township Community Center on November 19th from 9 am – 11 am.

PUBLIC HEARING: In accordance with the Second Class Township Code, 53 P.S. §§ 67304, 67305(a), and (b) and 67311 for a proposed Ordinance to vacate a portion of Ashfield Rd. located in East Penn, Carbon County, PA.

The hearing was opened at 6:32 pm to accept comments and recommendations from interested and affected individuals residing within the municipality.

No comments were received.

Thee hearing was closed at 6:33 pm.

COURTESY of the FLOOR:

None

APPROVALS:

1	Minutes-	<i>Motion made by Gary Kuehner, seconded by William G. Schwab to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2022, Regular Meeting as presented. AIF. Motion Carried.</i>
2	Treasurer's Report-	<i>Motion made by William G. Schwab, seconded by Gary Kuehner to approve the Treasurer's Report for June 1 through June 30, 2022</i>

		<i>as presented. AIF. Motion Carried.</i>
3	Invoices for payment-	<i>Motion made by Dennis L. Pearson, seconded by Keith House to approve the transfers and invoices for payment as presented. AIF. Motion Carried. (Schwab abstained from BRC, Pencor Hydraulics, and Times News House abstained from any Union or Employee payments)</i>

ROADS:

4	Road Report-	<p>June Road Report: Supervisor House</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Base work completed on Smithlane Road at the 895 intersections. - Paved Blue Mountain Rd. from the store parking lot to Sand Quarry Rd. - Shoulder mowing throughout the Township all month. - Caulked the vent pipe on the Social Hall's roof. - Completed paving all of Sherwood Forest Rd. - Hauled stones for park. - Sign repair throughout the township. - Replaced water pump, thermostat, and belt on the roller. - Normal maintenance and repair of equipment throughout the month. - Normal storm and drain cleanup after storms throughout the month. - Talked with National Gunite, they will call when they are in the area to schedule the repair on the Germans Road pipe. <p>Permission was granted for the request to install a 12-foot gate at the area between the field and the parking lot at Riverview.</p> <p>Discussion regarding a walk behind mower in Collegeville for \$1,800.00. Supervisor Schwab stated that permission was previously given to purchase a mower so no action is needed.</p>
5	<p>ROAD ITEMS-</p> <p>Ashfield Rd.-</p>	<p>Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -The Township Solicitor revised the proposed Ordinance removing the erroneous references to Ashfield Rd. as an unopened road and added a reference to the Road Vacation Plan aka Exhibit B. -The plan will need to be signed and stamped by the Surveyor. -Public Notice for the July 5th meeting was advertised on June 21st -Public notice for the August 1st hearing/meeting was advertised on June 8th -Notice was sent to PennDOT to remove the road from liquid fuels -once the Board votes on the adoption of the road vacation ordinance on August 1st the road department can place the barriers and add and remove signs as required.

		The proposed ordinance is available for the public to review during normal business hours.
	Cunfer Rd.- S. Kittatinny Rd.-	Hanover Engineering was advised to re-create the plan due to change in parcel ownership. No new updates

SUBDIVISIONS, LAND DEVELOPMENT, STORMWATER MANAGEMENT:

6	Poll of the Board: Motion to re-accept the Ammary Minor Subdivision Plans-	<i>Motion made by Keith House, seconded by Dennis L. Pearson to ratify the poll of the Board taken on 6/13/22 to re-grant Conditional Approval for the Jonathan A. & Shelby T. Ammary Minor Subdivision Plan as recommend by the EPT Planning Commission, conditional upon all outstanding review comments, waivers, recreation fees and final plans being received. AIF. Motion Carried.</i>
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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

7	Updates on civil complaints: Berger Creek Rd. –	Added: <i>Motion made by William G. Schwab, seconded by Gary Kuehner to add to the 7/5/22 meeting agenda discussion and motion regarding the Swartz Court Order dated 6/30/22. AIF. Motion carried.</i> <i>Motion made by William G. Schwab, seconded by Gary Kuehner to hold an Executive Session with Robert S. Frycklund on August 1, 2022 (BOS meeting date) when the 30-day appeal ends. AIF. Motion Carried.</i>
8	Municipal Bldg. Roof-	<i>Motion made by Keith House seconded by William G. Schwab to authorize Zawada Enterprises, LLC to supply the Township with the supplies to replace the Municipal Building Roof to include all the items on the quote at the cost of \$15,714.00. AIF. Motion Carried.</i> <i>Motion made by Gay Kuehner seconded by John M. Strocoz to authorize Zawada Enterprises, LLC to install a 29-gauge metal roof and all other applicable items included on the quote at the cost of \$15,712.00. AIF. Motion Carried.</i> <i>*Additional fee for snow guards</i>
9	Community Center Ceiling/Roof-	The Roadcrew recalced the roof area that was in need. The Twp. Manager is still in the process of having a contractor inspect and produce a quote for the interior hallway ceiling and

	Flooring-	kitchen ceiling. Flooring samples have been received, once we determine which would look best we can get an exact cost proposal for replacement.
10	ZONING/BCO MATTERS: Short-term Rental/Airbnb's- Complaints:	Information was forwarded to the Solicitor on 6/21. <u>Weeping Willow Ln.-</u> . We are awaiting a response from the former SEO regarding actions for the sewage issue. The property will be inspected on July 6, 2022.
11	Item was tabled: Bowmanstown Borough- Sewer Issues (Inflow and Infiltration)-	Bowmanstown' s wastewater treatment plant operator sent the Township a letter to inform us of I & I problems during peak storms involving our pipe, this has been putting the plant out of compliance during substantial rain events. They are recommending that the Township actively start investigating the collection system to include inspecting each home for illegal downspouts and sump pump connections. The Borough is also requesting that we start manhole inspections to assure structural integrity is intact and the seals are competent. If necessary, PA Rural Water Association offers a sewer pipe camera inspection program for \$200.00 a day. The Township sent a letter to property owners in 2020 regarding illegal discharge, the Roadmaster and Twp. Engineer did meet to discuss the issues as well.
12	Easement Agreement for the Bennett Property:	No new updates- The Solicitor was advised of the motion from the Boards June 6 th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

13	T-Mobile Hometown-Grant:	If the Township receives the Land Acquisition Grant, \$75,000.00 +/- will be needed to cover the cost of the acquisition. This grant could help cover those costs. <i>Motion made by William G. Schwab, seconded by Dennis L. Pearson to authorize Hanover Engineering to prepare a proposal for the costs and odds to prepare the grant and submit. AIF. Motion Carried.</i>
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PARKS AND RECREATION:

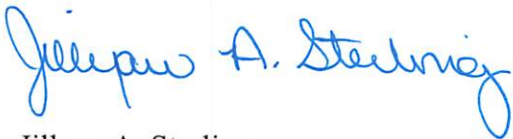
14	Updates-	Vice Chairman Schwab notified the public and the Board that the benches were installed along the trail by the Eagle Scouts.
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REPORTS, COMMUNICATION, MINUTES:

√- Parks Commission no mtg- Planning Commission √- Recreation Board √- Zoning/Building

Adjournment: Being nothing further before the Board, *motion by John M. Strockoz, seconded by William G. Schwab, to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 PM. MOTION CARRIED, Schwab, House, Kuehner, Strockoz, Pearson voting yes.*

Respectfully Submitted,



Jillyan A. Sterling
Township Manager/Secretary/Treasurer