

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

112 Municipal Lane
Prosperity, PA 15329
March 8, 2022

MEETING MINUTES

Walter Stout, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

In attendance were Supervisors Walter Stout, Charles Hickman and Troy Smith, Secretary Diane Headlee and township residents Tom Ayers, Debbie Stephenson, and Jason Rosa.

I. Requests to Address the Board/Public Comment

There were no requests to address the Board.

II. Correspondence and Reports

1. Received Correspondence:

- The township has been advised of its actual Liquid Fuels allocation for 2022 in the amount of \$126,755.04. The 2022 estimate received last September was \$132,129.18. The actual amount received in 2021 was \$134,146.87, reflecting a reduction of \$7,392.
- We have been advised that Consol PA Coal Company has submitted a permit application to the PA DEP for four de-gas boreholes for the Enlow Fork Mine, (H2 panel), one of which is in Washington Township just north of Morris Road. The map showing the locations of the boreholes is in the township office.
- We also received notification from the PA DEP that they are reviewing the application from Consol Pennsylvania Coal Co. to add 3,088 underground and subsidence control plan area acres for development mining for Enlow Fork Mine, (H-6-H10 panels) partially located in Washington Township, along Dillie Road. The map showing the location of the acreage is in the township office.

2. Planning Board: Did not meet on March 3rd, as there were no items for consideration or action needed.

3. Zoning Board: No meeting.

4. Park Board

- No meeting. Tammy Smith has a meeting scheduled on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 with a representative from Game Time.

5. Roadmaster's Report

- The road crew was busy with winter maintenance, plowing and cindering the township roads during the recent snow storms. They worked on Greene Valley and Porter Street waterline and have begun ditch rehabilitation. They placed stone in the soft spots on Gray Run Road. The crew continues to remove trees and limbs from the roadways due to recent high winds. They also performed equipment maintenance and did a major clean-up of the shop area.

6. Solicitor's Remarks: Solicitor was not present.

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III. Discussion & Action Items

A. Routine

1. The Chairman asked the Board for a motion to approve the agenda without an addendum. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Walter Stout. Motion carried.
2. The Chairman asked the Board for a motion to approve the February 8, 2022 regular meeting minutes with no additions or corrections noted. The motion was made by Troy Smith and seconded by Charles Hickman. Motion carried.

B. Specific

1. Business Operations

a. Approval of Treasurer’s Report for period ending February 28, 2022

	<u>General</u>	<u>Liquid Fuels</u>	<u>Machinery</u>	<u>ARPA</u>
Beginning Balance	\$ 298,111.91	\$ 40,676.55	\$ 7,609.77	\$ 52,363.74
Revenues	16,139.99	3.36	.55	5.22
Expenditures	<u>-37,410.11</u>	<u>-1,664.02</u>	<u>-1,517.60</u>	<u>-0.00</u>
Ending Balance	\$ 276,840.89	\$ 39,015.89	\$ 6,092.72	\$ 52,368.96

	<u>Fire Fund</u>		<u>Impact Fee</u>
Beginning Balance	\$ 650.20	Beginning Balance	\$ 1,808,555.73
Revenues	.05	Revenues - Interest	180.32
Expenditures	<u>-50.00</u>	Other	0.00
Ending Balance	\$ 600.25	Expenditures	<u>-5,584.24</u>
		Ending Balance	\$ 1,803,151.81

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve the Treasurer’s report for the period ending February 28, 2022 and direct that it be filed for audit. The motion was made by Troy Smith and seconded by Walter Stout. Motion carried.

b. Corrected Bills & Transfers for Approval for All Funds for January, 2022

It was determined after the February 8, 2022 meeting, that the listing of bills on the agenda was incorrect. Rather than simply correcting the Minutes, action is necessary on the following corrected list of January bills, payroll and intra-fund transfers.

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve the payment of the correct listing of January, 2022 bills, payroll and intra-fund transfers, as listed on the attached, from the following accounts:

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General Fund	\$ 35,993.77
Liquid Fuels Fund	0.00
Machinery Fund	2,511.66
Impact Fund	13,794.07
Fire Fund	<u>50.00</u>
Total Bills, Payroll & Transfers	\$ 52,349.50

The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Troy Smith.
Motion carried.

c. Bills & Transfers for Approval for All Funds for February, 2022

Consider a motion to approve the payment of the February, 2022 bills, payroll and intra-fund transfers, as listed on the attached, from the following accounts:

General Fund	\$ 48,037.64
Liquid Fuels Fund	1,664.02
Machinery Fund	1,517.60
Impact Fund	7,561.82
Fire Fund	<u>50.00</u>
Total Bills, Payroll & Transfers	\$ 58,831.08

The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Troy Smith.
Motion carried.

d. Stone Bid Award

Pursuant to the bids received and opened on February 8, 2022, the Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to award the 2022 stone bids to the low bidder, as follows:

<u>Product</u>	<u>Low Bidder</u>	<u>Awarded Bid</u>
AASHTO 1-B (#8) stone	Greer Limestone	\$20.60/ton
AASHTO #67 stone	Greer Limestone	\$19.98/ton
2-A modified (C & R)	Greer Limestone	\$15.92/ton
AASHTO #1 stone	Greer Limestone	\$17.99/ton
3" Crusher Run	Greer Limestone	\$17.50/ton
Rip-Rap #R-3	Greer Limestone	\$18.05/ton
Rip-Rap #R-4	Greer Limestone	\$19.14/ton

The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Walter Stout.
Motion carried.

3. Operations, Buildings, Grounds & Highways

a. Sale by Auction of Used & Unnecessary Equipment & Supplies

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to send used and unnecessary equipment to Behm's Auction & Real Estate Service Consignment Sale held on April 16, 2022 at the Greene County

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Fairgrounds. It is understood any item sent may have a reserve placed on it, as determined by the Supervisors. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Troy Smith. Motion carried. Walter Stout abstained as he is employed by Behm's Auction and Real Estate Service.

b. Opening of Bids – Park Pavilion Roof Replacements

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to acknowledge the receipt of and referral to the Supervisors for further study and recommendations, the following bids for the Park Pavilion Roof Replacements, pursuant to the prepared and advertised specifications. The bids were received and opened at 11:05 am, Monday, March 7, 2022 for the labor, material, and equipment necessary to replace the shingle roofs on the two pavilions located at the township park with metal roofing material. Two bids (w/Bid Bond or 10% check) were received for the project.

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Total Bid Amount</u>
Wilson Quality Builders	\$12,880.00
Swede Construction Corp.	\$22,000.00

The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Walter Stout. Motion carried.

c. Awarding of Park Pavilion Roof Replacement Bid

Based on the bids received, the Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to award the replacement of the roofs on the two park pavilions to the low bidder, Wilson Quality Builders, for the submitted bid price of \$12,880.00, to be paid from the Impact Fee fund. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Troy Smith. Motion carried.

4. Township Supervisors

a. Ordinances, Resolutions

1. Resolution for DCNR-C2P2 Grant Application

The Supervisors are preparing a grant application for funding through the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) C2P2 program and will be submitting the application on or before the April 6, 2022 deadline. The project involves further Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) improvements and the widening and repaving of the walking trail at the Washington Township Park. Moving forward, adoption of the following Resolution is required.

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve the following resolution regarding the DCNR Community Park Rehabilitation project grant:

WHEREAS, the Washington Township Board of Supervisors desires to undertake the following project entitled: **Washington Township Community Park ADA & Walking Trail Improvement Project** and,

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WHEREAS, the applicant desires to receive from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources ("Department") a grant for the purpose of carrying out this project; and,

WHEREAS, the application package includes a document entitled "Terms and Conditions of Grant" and a document entitled "Grant Agreement Signature Page"; and,

WHEREAS, the applicant understands that the contents of the document entitled "Terms and Conditions of Grant," including appendices referred to therein, will become the terms and conditions of a Grant Agreement between the applicant and the Department if the applicant is awarded a grant; and,

NOW THEREFORE, it is resolved that:

1. The grant application may be electronically signed on behalf of the applicant by Walter S. Stout, who at the time of the signing has the Title of Board Chairman and the email address of wsstout@windstream.net.
2. If this Official signed the "Grant Agreement Signature Page" prior to the passage of this Resolution, this grant of authority applies retroactively to the date of signing.
3. If the applicant is awarded a grant, the "Grant Application Electronic Authorization, signed by the above Official, will become the applicant/grantee's executed signature page for the Grant Agreement, and the applicant/grantee will be bound by the Grant Agreement.
4. Any amendment to the Grant Agreement may be signed on behalf of the grantee by the Official who, at the time of signing of the amendment, has the TITLE specified in paragraph 1 and the grantee will be bound by the amendment.

The motion was made by Troy Smith and seconded by Charles Hickman. Motion carried.

2. Request for Modification to SALDO – Ownership Requirement of 50' Access to Street

The Subdivision and Land Use Ordinance (SALDO) requires a fee simple ownership of a 50' strip of land for access from a Flag Lot to the public street. Pursuant to Section 106 of the Ordinance, Attorney Kirk King who represents William R. Minor in a real estate conveyance has requested a modification to that requirement. The matter has been discussed in detail with the Planning Board Solicitor, Kevin O'Malley who is in agreement with the request. In accordance with the Ordinance, the Planning Board members

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have also been advised of the request and have been given the opportunity to make advisory comments.

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve the request made by Attorney Kirk King on behalf of the William and Denise Minor and Kameron and Lauren Schaefer, parties involved in the familial conveyance of 9.914 acres of real estate (from parents to daughter and son-in-law), granting a Modification to the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance (SALDO), per Section 106, allowing the use of a 50' right-of-way for required access from Garner Run Road to the conveyed acreage as stipulated in the Property Deed rather than the outright fee simple ownership of said 50' strip of land. The motion was made by Troy Smith and seconded by Charles Hickman. Motion carried.

b. Agreements, Contracts

1. Heavy Hauling Agreements – EQT Production Co.

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve one-year Heavy Hauling Agreements, with EQT Production Co. for Byard Road (T-514) and Breakneck Road (T-404), with an effective date of March 1, 2022 to February 28, 2023, for a fee of \$600.00 (\$300/roadway) pursuant to the approved Schedule of Fees. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Walter Stout. Motion carried.

2. Heavy Hauling Agreement – EQM Gathering Opco LLC

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve one-year Heavy Hauling Agreement with EQM Gathering Opco, LLC, for West Dividing Ridge Road (T-658), with an effective date of March 1, 2022 to February 28, 2023, for a fee of \$300.00 pursuant to the approved Schedule of Fees. Motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Troy Smith. Motion carried.

3. Heavy Hauling Agreements – Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve one-year Heavy Hauling Agreements, with Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC for Longmile Road (T-405) and Pisgah Ridge Road (T-502), with an effective date of March 1, 2022 to February 28, 2023, for a fee of \$600.00 (\$300/roadway) pursuant to the approved Schedule of Fees. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Walter Stout. Motion carried.

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4. Road Occupancy Permit – EQM Gathering Opco LLC

Pursuant to Ordinance 1 of 2022 (Opening and Cutting of Township Roads), the Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to grant a Highway Occupancy Permit to EQM Gathering Opco LLC, for a surface opening in the roadway and improved shoulder area on West Dividing Ridge Road (T-658) for a total distance of 31 feet, for the installation of 12” steel gas line, at a fee of \$275.00, in accordance with the approved Schedule of Fees. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Troy Smith. Motion carried.

IV. New Business

V. Information & Announcements

a. Upcoming Meetings

- Supervisor’s Regular Meeting, Tuesday, April 12, at 6:30 p.m.
- Planning Board, Thursday, April 7, at 7:30 p.m.
- Zoning Hearing Board, as needed.
- Park Board, as needed.
- Clean-Up Day, Saturday, April 23, 2022 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

VI. Public Comment/Questions: None

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m. on a motion by Charles Hickman, seconded by Troy Smith, with all voting ‘aye’.

s/Walter S. Stout Chairman

s/P. Diane Headlee Secretary/Treasurer