

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

112 Municipal Lane
Prosperity, PA 15329
April 11, 2023

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 resident Tom Ayres.

I. Requests to Address the Board/Public Comment - None

II. Correspondence and Reports

1. Received Correspondence:

- Pursuant to our request for a second contribution toward the cost to purchase two pieces of playground equipment at the township park, we were advised last week of another \$5,000 contribution from CONSOL Cares. Casey Durdines also delivered a check for \$5,000 from EQT. To date, we have received a total of \$25,000 toward the project - \$10,000 each from Consol and EQT and \$5,000 from IronSenenergy. A likewise request for an additional contribution was also made to IronSenenergy and the CNX Foundation.

2. Planning Board: Did not meet on April 6th, as there were no items for consideration or action needed.

3. Zoning Board: No meeting.

4. Park Board: No meeting.

5. Roadmaster's Report: The road crew continues cleaning ditches on various township roads. They also continue to clear trees and limbs from the township roads as needed after the windy weather we have been experiencing. They also performed maintenance on the township-owned equipment including the removal of the spreaders and snow plows from the trucks.

6. Solicitor's Remarks – There was nothing from the solicitor as he was not in attendance.

III. Discussion & Action Items

A. Routine

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1. The Chairman asked the Board for a motion to approve the Agenda with an addendum. The motion was made by Troy Smith and seconded by Charles Hickman. All aye - motion carried.
2. The Chairman asked the Board for a motion to approve the March 7, 2023 regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion was made by Charles Hickman to approve the minutes with no additions or corrections, and seconded by Walter Stout. All aye - motion carried.

B. Specific

1. Business Operations

a. Approval of Treasurer's Report for period ending March 31, 2023

	<u>General</u>	<u>Liquid Fuels</u>	<u>Machinery</u>	<u>ARPA</u>
Beginning Balance	\$ 242,386.23	\$ 60,291.02	\$ 23,118.24	\$ 58,176.57
Revenues	11,668.42	130,726.56	12.55	118.58
Expenditures	<u>-33,115.17</u>	<u>-2,482.18</u>	<u>-423.05</u>	<u>-0.00</u>
Ending Balance	\$ 220,939.48	\$ 188,535.40	\$ 22,707.74	\$ 58,295.15

	<u>Fire Fund</u>		<u>Impact Fee</u>
Beginning Balance	\$ 634.98	Beginning Cash Balance	\$ 738,729.65
Revenues	.33	Revenues - Interest	1,493.38
Expenditures	<u>-50.00</u>	Other	0.00
Ending Balance	\$ 585.31	Expenditures	<u>-11,776.00</u>
		Available Cash Balance	\$728,447.03
		Investment Held	\$ 1,200,000.00
		Total Account Balance	\$ 1,928,447.03

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve the Treasurer's report for the period ending March 31, 2023 and direct that it be filed for audit. The motion to accept the notice of retirement was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Troy Smith. All aye – motion carried.

b. Bills & Transfers for Approval for All Funds for March, 2023

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve the payment of the March 2023 bills, payroll and intra-fund transfers, as listed on the attached, from the following accounts:

General Fund	\$ 45,709.26
Liquid Fuels Fund	0.00
Machinery Fund	100.00
Impact Fund	11,776.00
Fire Fund	<u>50.00</u>
Total Bills, Payroll & Transfers	\$ 57,635.26

The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Walter Stout. All aye - motion carried.

c. Purchase of Playground Equipment

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Park Board, the Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to utilize the donations received from EQT, Consol Cares, and Iron Senergy and purchase two new pieces of playground equipment from MRC, Inc., at a total delivered cost of \$27,883 under PA COSTARS Contract #014-005, as follows:

- 1 - GameTime PT17007 Exploration-Prime Time Modular Unit;
- 1 - GameTime Power Scape Swing Bay w/2 belt seats.

Note: The installation labor and equipment necessary for both units will be written into the specifications of the upcoming park improvement project.

The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Walter Stout. All aye - motion carried.

2. Township Supervisors

a. Agreements

1. Ruff Cutt Timber, LLC Escrow Fund Status

Prior to the start of timbering operations, Ruff Cutt Timber, pursuant to Resolution #4 of 2021, placed \$3,000 in an escrow account to be used to pay for any expenses for damages caused by a logging company performing timbering operations in the township. The logging operation has been completed and upon inspection, no damages were noted to Tower Road. As required by the Resolution, the Board of Supervisors will vote, at a public meeting, on the amount to be returned to the operator from the special account.

Pursuant to Resolution #4 of 2021, the Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to return to Ruff Cutt Timber, LLC, the full \$3,000 previously placed in escrow by them, as there was no damage done to Tower Road during recent timbering operations. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Walter Stout. All aye - motion carried.

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IV. New Business

The Township Supervisors will be checking with the solicitor regarding the regulations for the use of All Terrain Vehicles (ATV, SUV) on township roads.

V. Information & Announcements

- a. Spring Clean-up Day: Saturday, April 22, 2023. Dumpsters will be at the Township Garage from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm.
- b. The Park Board will be sponsoring a township-wide Community Picnic on Saturday, June 3rd at the park.
- c. Upcoming Meetings
 - Supervisor's Regular Meeting, Tuesday, May 9, at 6:30 p.m.
 - Planning Board, Thursday, May 4th, at 7:30 p.m.
 - Zoning Hearing Board, as needed.
 - Park Board, as needed.

VI. Public Comment/Questions

Mr. Stout informed those in attendance that Russell-Standard Company will be in the township on April 12, 2023 to correct and repair issues with the flex-base pavement on Craynes Run Road.

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:47 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