Oldmans Township Committee

Meeting Minutes

January 3, 2024

The regular meeting of the Oldmans Township Committee was held on January 3, 2024. Meeting was called to order by Mayor Murphy at 7:00 pm. This meeting was held in compliance with the Sunshine Law. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: William Ferrell, David Murphy and Dean Sparks

Approval of Minutes: December 13, 2023 Regular Meeting

 December 13, 2023 Executive Meeting

 December 27, 2023 Close Out Meeting

 December 27, 2023 Executive Meeting

 Mr. Sparks made a motion to approve, Mr. Ferrell seconded and all agreed.

FINANCE OFFICE:

**Resolution 2024-29** Temporary Budget Appropriations for 2024

Municipality is allowed to use up to 26.25% for the first quarter of 2024, which is based on last year’s budget. The 2024 budget will be introduced in April and adopted in May.

 Mr. Sparks made a motion to approve, Mr. Ferrell seconded and all agreed.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

**Resolution 2024-30** Certifying Compliance with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission’s “Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964”

Mr. Sparks made a motion to approve, Mr. Ferrell seconded and all agreed.

**Resolution 2024-31** Establishing an Absence from Meeting Policy for Elected Officials and Appointed Members of Boards, Committees and Commissions

Mr. Ferrell made a motion to approve, Mr. Sparks seconded and all agreed.

**Resolution 2024-32** Farming of Municipal Owned Property - Block 9/Lot 5.02

Mr. Ferrell made a motion to approve, Mr. Murphy seconded and both agreed.

Mr. Sparks abstained.

**Resolution 2024-33** Disposal of Municipal Generated Leaves and Wood Chippings

Mr. Ferrell made a motion to approve, Mr. Murphy seconded and both agreed.

 Mr. Sparks abstained.

Farmland Preservation Program Application for Eva Goslin

Located at Block 26/Lots 7.02, 8, 9 and Block 25/Lot 3

The property owner is preserving the farm through the State program so the municipal farmland preservation funds will not be needed. The farm is in the Salem County ADA.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Liz Stevenson Wanted to know what progress has been made regarding the County traffic study.

Bill Ferrell Anticipate having a meeting with the County this month.

Arthur Maurizio He attended a County meeting during the summer requesting help with road signs, littering, jake brakes, and speed limit on Straughns Mill. Hasn’t heard anything.

Liz Stevenson Exit 7 of Route 295 is full of litter; doesn’t look good since the exit is a gateway to Oldmans Township.

Bill Ferrell The State is in control of the exit ramps and would be responsible for cleanup.

Liz Stevenson Wanted to know if the trucks at the Route 295 truck stop were allowed.

Melinda Taylor Trucks must leave by February 1st or court proceedings commence.

CLOSED TO PUBLIC

William Ferrell Waiting for County Reorganization Meeting to see who is in charge of roads to schedule meeting.

David Murphy School Board: Maria Calabrese was named Chair and Stacy Podalski was named Vice Chair of the School Board.

 Logan Fire will hold their community fire event on Jan. 13th beginning at 6:00 pm

Dean Sparks The Oldmans Ag Advisory Board will meet on January 10th.

 Chipping of branches is done for the year. Need to prepare for snow removal.

There being no further business, on a motion from Mr. Sparks, seconded by Mr. Ferrell and all agreed, to adjourn the meeting 7:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melinda Taylor

Municipal Clerk