

**.MEETING MINUTES**  
**HEGINS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS' BOARD MEETING**  
September 7, 2022 7:00 P.M.  
**HEGINS TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING**  
421 S. Gap Street  
Valley View, PA 17983

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None Scheduled.

**CALL TO ORDER** Chairman Bruce Klouser called meeting to order at 7:00 PM

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL (DECLARATION OF QUORUM)** Present were Chairman Bruce Klouser, Vice Chairman Leroy Shuey and Supervisors Jack Harner, Bill Wolfgang and Ken Graham.

**REPORT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD** - August 2022 Meeting to discuss personnel issues.

**APPROVAL OF Last Month's Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes –August 2022**-Attached

Motion to Approve: Leroy Shuey      Second: Ken Graham      Motion unanimously approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (ONLY ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA) - None**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Gayle Rhody's Treasurer's Report for August 2022.

Income:	\$	87,925.88
Expenses**	\$	155,469.00
Expenses Exceeding Income:	\$	67,543.12
General Fund Balance	\$	1,018,584.02
ARPA Fund Balance:	\$	201,001.28
PLGIT Fund Balance:	\$	33,533.47

\*\*Includes delinquent MMO payment for 2021 \$67,757.00

Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report: Ken Graham      Second: Jack Harner      Motion unanimously approved.

**UNPAID BILLS REPORT** – Attached

Motion to Pay Unpaid Bills: Bill Wolfgang      Second: Ken Graham      Motion unanimously approved.

**POLICE REPORT 2022:** Chief Yarmush's police report for the month of August.

Calls to Service:	134
Incident Reports:	7
Non-Traffic Citations	1
Misdemeanor Arrests	1
Reportable Accidents	1
Non-Reportable Accidents	0
Traffic Citations	10
Traffic Warnings	15

<b>Patrol Unit Mileage</b>	<b>2009 Durango</b>	<b>2020 Ford</b>	<b>2016 Ford</b>	
Odometer End of Month:	138,332	22,152	52,389	
Monthly Total Miles:	186	805	21	<b>TOTAL 1,012</b>

Motion to Approve Police Report: Leroy Shuey:      Second: Ken Graham      Motion unanimously approved.

**FIRE COMPANY REPORT: None**

**EMS REPORT** –Hegins Area Ambulance Assoc.-: None

**ROADMASTER REPORT:** Bruce Klouser’s monthly report for August 2022.

Wall cap completed and Cracks were sealed in the wall by the Gerald Zimmerman property; Checked out Old Mill Bridge; Trees were cleared on Township roads; Swimming pool was winterized; August 29 there was a Forrest Drive Bridge Zoom meeting with PennDot officials, supervisors, engineer and solicitor.

Bathrooms at the pool were painted; Seven township road signs have been stolen; Meeting held at Church Road Bridge. There will no work done at this time saving the Township \$34,000.

Motion to Approve Road Report: Jack Harner                      Second: Ken Graham                      Motion Unanimously Approved.

**ENGINEER’S REPORT:** Presented by Emily Stefanowicz, Peter’s Consultants, Inc. August 2022

Forest Drive Bridge Project – Bridge status timeline reviewed.  
Telephone call was made with all parties on August 29 at 11:00 AM to discuss current status of the project. Getting utility signatures from Frontier Communications and cost estimates for the bridge materials. Meeting with Deputy Secretary to have an extension of the project along with timeline estimating when the project will be completed.

Tri Valley School Signs - PennDot approved project on August 8. It was put out for bid on PennBid August 24 with only one bid received. Project will be put out for bid again to include local electricians.

Bear Valley Bridge Project - Working on Submission to Jeffrey Quinn Thompson. Looking at estimate of costs of the under pinning.

LSA grant application is being reviewed with the Department of Economic Development to be issued November at the earliest.

Church Street Bridge - Inspection report - engineer is reviewing.

Motion to Approve Engineer’s Report: Bill Wolfgang                      Second: Jack Harner                      Motion unanimously approved.

**PLANNING/ZONING/UCC/CODE REPORT:**

Planning Commission: No meeting this month

**Zoning:** 7 Zoning Permits Issued

2 Incomplete/Denied Zoning Applications

Zoning Hearing Board Meeting scheduled for September 20, 2022 at 7 PM.

**Building Permits Issued** No new Building Permits Issued. 2 inspections completed.

**Code Enforcement:** Properties addressed:

- 920 W. Main St. Valley View – Working with sewage enforcement officer to resolve issues.
- 1456-1458 W. Main St. Valley View – Junk Vehicle removed. Working with sewage enforcement officer to resolve issues.
- Deep Creek Rd. – Petition township for Holding Tank Ordinance or remove structures.
- 519 E. Main St. Hegins – Resident given extension for remediation work.
- 678 E. Main St. Hegins - Resident given extension for remediation work.
- 605 E. Main St. Hegins - Citation filed at District Magistrate Office.
- 633 E. Chestnut St. Hegins -. Letter sent regarding violations, resident working on remediations.
- 630 E. Main St. – Notice of Violation sent.
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**Code Violations:** Properties submitted to Magistrate Office for Hearing scheduled for September 28, 2022.

- 1204 W. Main St. Valley View – Citation filed.
- 1012 E. Main St. Hegins - Citation filed.
- 620 W. Main St. Valley View - Citation filed.
- 1456-1458 W. Main St. Valley View – Citation filed.
- 605 E. Main St. Hegins - Citation filed- issue with the address.
- 106 Grove Drive. Hegins - Citation filing to be discussed.

Motion to Approve Engineering, Zoning, Building & Coding Enforcement Report Ken Graham                      Second: Jack Harner                      Motion unanimously approved

**SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT REPORT:** Sewage Enforcement Officer William Brior's sewage activity report for August.

New Permit Apps Rec'd:	0
Repair Permit Apps Rec'd:	1
Test Probes	0
Design Reviews	2
Site Evaluations	1
Permits Issued - New	2
Permits Issued - Repairs	1
Interim Inspections	3
Subdivision Plan Reviews	1

Motion to Approve Sewage Enforcement Report: Leroy Shuey      \_Second Jack Harner:                      Motion unanimously approved

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** - Nathan Favreau reviewed for Donald Karpowich – Month of August 2022

Talked briefly about the Magistrate hearings stating Emily had already addressed this matter. Nathan Favreau will be representing the Hegins Township at the Magistrate hearings.

Motion to Approve Solicitor's Report    Ken Graham    Second Jack Harner                      Motion unanimously approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Solar Development Proposal with New Leaf Energy (formerly Borrego).

Presentation was made by Tim Mills and Drew Funk. This meeting was to meet with supervisors and the public to discuss sites.

Primarily discussing community solar use at this meeting. Sites being looked at are in S-2 zoning district. The solar projects are limited to 10 to 30 acres and to be coupled with an agricultural type of environment. Ken Smith property of Christmas tree farm is also considering solar panels. Some other sites are also being considered. These projects are not utility sized solar systems and cannot connect to large power transmission lines. Excess energy produced can be sold to PPL for local distribution to community members.

Non-toxic solar panels made of silica would be used and recycled at the end of their use. Copies of solar proposal are available at the Township office.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Alex Morgan of the Republican Herald asked about the Penn Bid live date and the Forrest Drive Bridge project extension through June 2024.

Helping Harvest will be holding a Food Distribution on Friday September 9<sup>th</sup> at Valley View Park.

Next Supervisors' Board Meeting – Wednesday, October 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Next Food Pantry – September 21, 2022      8:00 – 10:00 AM.

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING Adjourned by Chairman Bruce Klouser at 8:15 PM.**

Motion to Adjourn at 8:18 PM Made by Ken Graham;      Second Jack Harner                      Motion Unanimously Approved

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ATTEST:

Debbie Stutzman  
Secretary

HEGINS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS:

By: Bruce D Klouser  
Chairman

By: John R. Shuey  
Vice Chairman

By: William W. ...  
Supervisor

By: James ...  
Supervisor

By: Kevin ...  
Supervisor