

MEETING MINUTES
HEGINS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS' BOARD MEETING
August 2, 2023 7:00 P.M.
HEGINS TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
421 S. Gap Street
Valley View, PA 17983

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Executive Session held at 6:45 PM to discuss personnel matters.

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, Gary Harner, and Bill Wolfgang.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD – Craig Coleman retirement

APPROVAL OF Last Month's Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes – July 2023

Motion to approve: Leroy Shuey Second: Jack Harner Motion unanimously approved

PUBLIC COMMENT (ONLY ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA)

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer's Report for July 2023

General Fund Balance:	\$ 1,276,203.41
ARPA Fund Balance	\$ 383,115.50
PLGIT Fund Balance	\$ 135,288.68

Motion to approve: Gary Harner Second: Bill Wolfgang Motion unanimously approved

UNPAID BILLS REPORT – Attached to Supervisors report

Motion to approve: Bill Wolfgang Second: Leroy Shuey Motion unanimously approved

POLICE REPORT 2023: Chief Yarmush's police report for the month of July 2023

Calls to Service:	138			
Incident Reports:	7			
Non-Traffic Citations	2			
Felony Arrests	1			
Reportable Accidents	1			
Non-Reportable Accidents	0			
Traffic Citations	17			
Traffic Warnings	7			
Patrol Unit Mileage	2009 Durango	2020 Ford	2016 Ford	
Odometer End of Month:	139,223	32,191	57,916	
Monthly Total Miles	0	822	767	TOTAL 1,589

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FIRE COMPANY REPORT -Hegins Valley Fire Rescue: None

EMS REPORT – Hegins Area Ambulance Assoc.: None

ROADMASTER REPORT: Bruce Klouser's monthly report for July 2023

2023 Bituminous Seal Coat Road Project has been completed. Roads completed were Church Road and Old Mill Road in Valley View and Bridge Road and Wood Lane in Hegins.

Motion to approve: Jack Harner Second: Gary Harner Motion unanimously approved

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Peters Consultants, Inc. for July 2023 – Presented by Mike Cymbale

Forest Drive Bridge – Contract documents are being drafted for this project. Funding is the Multimodal Transportation Fund and Hegins General Fund. The project will be advertised through PennBid.

School Signs – Signs were obtained from Traffic Signs and Safety, Inc. for both the elementary school and the high school and delivered to Hegins Township and installed.

Bear Valley Bridge – Bids that were obtained by the Township were over the bidding threshold so the project will need to be formally bid out. Plans to open bids is September 1, 2023 at 9:30 AM.

Township Administrative Building - Plans to open bids both on PennBid and in person at the Township building on September 1, at 9:00 AM for the pole building, not the interior work.

General Hegins Township – No update from PennDot has been provided regarding 680 E. Main St., Hegins, PA 17938 and the proposed widening of the intersection located at the corner of S.R. 25 and S.R. 12

Motion to approve: Jack Harner Second: Gary Harner Motion unanimously approved

PLANNING/ZONING/UCC/CODE REPORT:

Planning Commission: A Planning Commission meeting was held on June 27, 2023 at 6:30 PM to review the Maurer Minor Subdivision. Conditional approval was granted at this time. E-mail was sent to PennCore Consulting on July 28, 2023 requesting that they add a note to the plans referencing that the easement applies to Lots 1,2, and 3. Once this change is made the plans approved will be sent to the Schuylkill County Court House.

Motion to approve: Leroy Shue Second: Jack Harner Motion unanimously approved

Zoning: 4 Zoning Permits Issued

- 23-030-P- Young, Darren – 157 Wood Lane, Hegins – Construct Roof over Porch
- 23-031-- Rothermel, Michael and Kathleen – 207 Park Rd., Valley View – Construct Deck
- 23-033-P -Coleman, Ronald and Marcella – 724 E. Main St. Hegins – Fence
- 23-035-P –Holland, Ryan (Palmetto Solar) – 1102 W. Walnut St, Valley View – Rooftop Solar

Incomplete/Denied Zoning Applications: 0

ZONING HEARING BOARD

An application requesting a Variance was received on June 27, 2023 for Rise Up Coffeehouse. A hearing has been scheduled for August 15, 2023 at 7 PM. Zoning Hearing Board Members have confirmed a quorum for attendance.

Building Permits Issued -2 New Building Permits Issued

- C964-23-030 – Young, Darren – 157 Wood Lane – Building Permit for Roof over Existing Porch.
- C964-23-032 – Holland, Ryan (Palmetto Solar) – 1102 W. Walnut St. – Electrical Permit for Rooftop Solar.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT – Peters Consultants 18 Code Issues:

- *Miller, Jason – 920 W. Main St., Valley View – Working with Sewage Enforcement Officer to resolve issues.
- *Reznik, Konstanin – 1456-1458 W. Main St., Valley View – New property owner is working with Sewage Enforcement to resolve issues.
- *Spotts, Marlin – 519 E. Main St., Hegins – Resident is working on remediation of violations and the progress is on-going,
- *Advanced Consulting (Jim Lake) – 1012 E. Main St., Hegins – Looked at property on July 26, 2023. Windows are in and the porch is repaired and cleaned up. Unprotected exterior is not completed but remediation is on-going.
- *Artz, Eugene – 678 E. Main St., Hegins – Resident is working on remediation of violations,

*Chiles, Gregory – 633 E. Chestnut St., Hegins – Nothing has been done on the property as of July 26, 2023. Notice of Violation letter to be sent on August 1, 2023.

*Schwalm, Samuel – 605 E. Main St., Hegins – Citation drafted by Solicitor’s office; filed at the District Magistrate on July 26, 2022. Need address for official notice. Nothing has been done on the property as of July 26, 2023. Will follow up on this matter with Solicitor.

*Geist, Wendy – 630 E. Main St., - The deed was transferred to Mr. Brandon Lipp. Nothing has been done to the property as of July 26, 2023. Notice of Violation letter to be sent August 1.

*Carpenter, Richard and Kimberlee – 1738 W. Main St., Valley View – A Notice of Violation was sent with a resolution date of July 16, 2023. Letter was returned to our office as unable to be delivered. Asked Solicitor how we are to proceed.

* Maryott, Lucas and Jones, Alexandria – 203 Gap St., Valley View – A Notice of Violation was sent with a resolution date of July 16, 2023. Letter was returned to our office as unable to be delivered. Asked Solicitor how we are to proceed.

*Baer, William Charles and Amber Lynne – 744 E. Main St., - Issue has been resolved.

*Diehl, Mae and Adams, Sherry – 309 S. Goodspring Rd., - Nothing has been done on the property as of July 26, 2023. Notice of violation to be sent August 1.

*Deibler, Hans – 419 W. Main St., Property Maintenance letter was sent with a remediation date of August 2, 2023. If no response by August 2, 2023, we will issue a Notice of Violation.

*Porter, William and Michelle – 1348 E. Main St., - Issue has been resolved.

*Weyman, Robert and Cristina- 437 Broad St. – Property Maintenance letter sent with resolution date of May 16, 2023. Nothing done on the property as of July 26, 2023. Notice of Violation letter to be sent on August 1, 2023.

*Krammes, Jay and Briana – 12128 W. Main St. – Nothing done on property as of July 26, 2023. Notice of Violation letter to be sent August 1, 2023.

*Koppenhaver, Daniel – 1135 W. Maple – Property maintenance letter sent with a resolution date of August 18, 2023. Some issues have been resolved as of July 26, 2023, but there are still high weeds and piles of debris present on the property.

*Lowell, Diana – 1442 W. Main St. – Property Maintenance letter sent with a resolution date of August 18, 2023. Nothing done to the property as of July 26, 2023.

Motion to Approve Report: Leroy Shuey Second: Jack Harner Motion unanimously approved

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: Sewage Enforcement Officer William Brior’s sewage activity report for July 2023

New Permit Ap	0
Subdivision Plan Reviews	0
Site Evaluations	0
Test Probes	0
Interim Inspections	1
Design Reviews	1
Permits Issued - New	1

Motion to approve: Gary Harner Second: Bill Wolfgang Motion unanimously approved

SOLICITOR’S REPORT: Donald Karpowich – Month of July 2023.

Ordinance No. 5-25 (08-02-23) has been adopted in which Hegins Township has entered into a Franchise Agreement with Comcast of Colorado/Pennsylvania, West Virginia, LLC and adopts the terms and provision as set forth. Franchise benefits include 5% Franchise fee to Hegins Township and free cable in all township buildings.

Motion to approve: Gary Harner Second: Bill Wolfgang Motion unanimously approved

Officer John Boyer has been hired as a full-time officer.

Motion to approve: Bill Wolfgang Second: Leroy Shuey Motion unanimously approved

Bear Valley Bridge Project – Local bids were over threshold and need to be put out to on PennBid by engineer.

Motion to approve:: Bill Wolfgang Second: Gary Leroy Shuey Motion unanimously approved

Bids have been advertised and posted on PennBid for pole construction of Municipal Township Building.

Motion to approve solicitor’s report: Jack Harner Second: Gary Harner Motion unanimously approved

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: A contribution of \$500 was made by Barry Township for the Tri-Valley Community Pool. A thank-you letter will be sent to the Barry Township Supervisors for supporting the Tri-Valley Community Pool.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: Alex Morgan had questions regarding zoning variance.

Roger Wetzel asked about expense of new municipal building. Building will be funded by ARPA money received and LSA Grant which was been awarded to the Township in the amount of \$300,000.

Next Supervisors' Board Meeting – Wednesday, September 6, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Next Food Pantry Distribution – September 20, 2023 8:00 – 10:00 AM.

MOTION TO ADJOURN at 7:20 PM – Leroy Shuey Second: Gary Harner Motion unanimously approved

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ATTEST:

Debbie Stutzman
Secretary

HEGINS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS:

By: Bruce A Klouser
Chairman

By: Leroy Shuey
Vice Chairman

By: Gary Harner
Supervisor

By: Joel Harner
Supervisor

By: William Wetzel
Supervisor