



**MUDDY CREEK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**October 18, 2023
7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER: The Muddy Creek Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 6:59 PM by Mr. Dale Kerr. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL: Those present included Mr. Dale Kerr, Mr. Rick Saunders, Mr. Robert Jesteadt, Mr. Thomas Smith, and Mrs. Abbie Flinner.

NOTICE OF RECORDING POLICY: Mr. Kerr requested for anyone in the meeting to acknowledge the use of a recording device. No one acknowledged a recording device.

PUBLIC COMMENT/VISITORS:
Jay Wack

TREASURER'S REPORT:

A motion was made by Mr. Saunders to approve the Treasurer's Report for September, 2023. Mr. Jesteadt seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION (Invoices): Motion made by Mr. Saunders to pay the bills. (General Fund: 14546 - 14563); Payroll (9/28/23,10/13/23); (Electric- 10/13/2023 -storage and main) Second by Mr. Jesteadt. All in favor, motion carried.

MINUTES:

A motion to approve the September 20, 2023 minutes was made by Mr. Jesteadt and seconded by Mr. Saunders. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Cheryl Johnston – 221 E. Portersville Rd. – Variance request – Mr. Saunder made a motion to approve Ms. Johnston's request to be permitted to bring a mobile home onto her property prior to receiving a building permit, contingent upon the mobile home remaining on wheels and not being utilized/occupied until all necessary permits have been issued. Mr. Jesteadt seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

PA Department of Labor & Industry – Bureau of Mediation – Notice was received that a mediator has been assigned for upcoming union contract negotiations

International Union of Operating Engineers – Notification to Bargain and Request Information for upcoming union contract negotiations

2024 UC Contribution Rate: PSATS voted to keep the rates the same – 9.45%

Anderson Insurance Group – offering insurance brokering services

CORRESPONDENCE (CONT.):

H.A. Thompson – Risk Management Services – offering quotes for secretary/treasurer bond

Senate Engineer – announcement of merger with Lennon, Smith, Souleret Engineering (LSSE)

District Attorney Goldinger – Re-election campaign letter

Prospect Community Library – Director’s Reports – May through August 2023

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

PLANNING COMMISSION: No report

EMERGENCY SERVICES: No report

ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Road report was reviewed.

PERMITS:

Building:

184 Badger Hill Road – Demolition Permit – removal of debris following a building fire

313 West Park Road – UCC – garage

184 Badger Hill Road - UCC (commercial) – pole building to replace building that burnt

NEW BUSINESS:

Use Fee Grant – Mr. Saunders made a motion to utilize funds from the Liquid Fuels fund to provide a “local match” as part of the Township’s application for the Butler County Use Fee Grant. Mr. Jesteadt seconded this motion. All in favor, motion carried. Mr. Saunders made an additional motion to submit the Use Fee Grant application to Butler County. Mr. Jesteadt seconded this motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Generator – Mr. Saunders made a motion to bid out the purchase and installation of a generator for the Township building. The project is to be paid for with the remaining ARPA funds. Mr. Jesteadt seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Draft Budget – Mr. Saunders made a motion to accept the draft budget as written. Mr. Jesteadt seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Advertising of CPA for 2023 Audit – Mr. Kerr made a motion to approve the advertisement of the use of a CPA firm for the 2023 Muddy Creek Twp Municipal Audit. Mr. Jesteadt seconded this motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Newsletter – The Fall/Winter 2023 edition of the Muddy Creek Messenger was reviewed. Mr. Jesteadt made a motion to approve the newsletter for printing. Mr. Kerr seconded this motion. All in favor, motion carried.

222 Sawyer Road Granny Flat Exemption – Mr. Sanders made a motion to approve the Allen Granny Flat Exemption, contingent upon a septic inspection being performed by the SEO. Mr. Jesteadt seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

111 Thunder Mountain Lane Granny Flat Exemption - Mr. Sanders made a motion to approve the Kradel Granny Flat Exemption, contingent upon a septic inspection being performed by the SEO. Mr. Jesteadt seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mr. Kerr made a motion to enter Executive Session at 7:57 PM to discuss personnel matters. Mr. Jesteadt seconded this motion. All in favor, motion carried. Mr. Saunders made a motion to exit Executive Session at 8:12 PM. All in favor, motion carried.

SOLICITOR’S COMMENTS: None.

SECRETARY’S COMMENTS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Mr. Saunders to adjourn at 8:17 PM. Seconded by Mr. Jesteadt. All in favor, motion carried.

MUDDY CREEK TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

Dale Kerr, Chairman

Abbie M. Flinger, Secretary/Treasurer

Eric “Rick” Saunders

Robert J. Jesteadt, Sr.

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