Hamilton Township Board of Supervisors Minutes of October 4, 2023 Meeting

The Hamilton Township Board of Supervisors met in a duly advertised business meeting this evening with Chairman Jeffrey Rockwell calling the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Members present in addition to Mr. Rockwell were Richard Troup, Ronald Yeager, Deborah Hollenshead, and Solicitor AJ Benchoff. There were no guests in attendance.

MINUTES – The Minutes of the September 20, 2023 regular business meeting were approved as presented.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – The Accounts Payable List was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Troup, second by Mr. Yeager.

TREASURER'S REPORT – The Treasurer's Report and the Third Quarter Budget Comparison were received and reviewed without comment.

CUMBERLAND VALLEY ANIMAL SHELTER – The animal intake report for September was received from the Cumberland Valley Animal Shelter. The report indicates that three dogs and eight cats, all strays, were accepted at the Shelter.

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF ORDINANCE TO REGULATE BACKYARD CHICKENS As discussed and directed by the Board at the September 20, 2023 meeting, Solicitor Benchoff has made revisions to the draft ordinance. This latest revised version was provided to the Board of Supervisors for review and comment. At this time, the Board is satisfied with the draft. On a motion by Mr. Rockwell, second by Mr. Troup, the Board approved forwarding this draft to the Hamilton Township Planning Commission for their review and comments.

DELVIN AND SUZANNE ZULLINGER STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN – Township Engineer, Bill Rudy of Pennoni, has reviewed the stormwater management plan submitted for Delvin and Suzanne Zullinger for land on Forest Road. Mr. Rudy's comments have been satisfactorily addressed, and the Operation and Maintenance Agreement for the stormwater best management practices on the site has been executed and is ready for recording. On a Yeager/Troup motion, the Board approved this stormwater management plan.

2023 FIREMEN'S RELIEF CONTRIBUTIONS – Our office has received the 2023 state aid allocation supporting the Volunteer Fire Relief Associations of the fire companies which serve our municipality. Fifty percent of this allocation is based upon the population of our municipality, and fifty percent is determined by the market value of real estate in our municipality compared to the state average. This year's allocation amount is \$65,603.70, and must be distributed within 60 days of receipt. Using the formula as in prior years based on service area, distributions to the Firemen's Relief Associations will be as follows: Chambersburg (flat rate) - \$3,625.00; Franklin Fire Company (60%) - \$37,187.22; Marion Fire Company (30%) - \$18,593.61; and

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2023 FIREMEN'S RELIEF CONTRIBUTIONS, continued St. Thomas Fire Company (10%) - \$6,197.87. This was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Troup, second by Mr. Yeager.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business this evening, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM on a motion by Mr. Yeager, second by Mr. Troup.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah J./Hollenshead

Secretary/Treasurer