

MINUTES - RALPHO TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING - OCTOBER 10, 2023
Held in Municipal Building Meeting Room, 206 S. Market St., Elysburg, PA

Chairman Madara Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Attending were: Supervisors Blaine Madara Sr., Stephen Major, Blaine Madara Jr., Daniel Williams and Vincent Daubert were present. Also attending were: Township Secretary/Treasurer Debra Olson; Manager Joseph Springer; Code Officer Mark Lyash; Chief Bryon Chowka; Roadmaster Damion Beagle; Drew Munich *Press Enterprise*; and 3 interested citizens.

CITIZEN INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS – none

Minutes of September 12, 2023 regular monthly meeting were accepted as presented on Williams/Daubert motion and carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT was accepted as presented on Major/Madara Sr. motion and carried.

Bills were approved as presented for payment, including those bills paid between meetings on a Williams/Daubert motion, motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

- 2023 Annual Banquet of Northumberland County Association of Township Officers will be held Thursday, October 26 at 5:45 p.m.

COMMITTEE/DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

PLANNING – Mark Lyash

- Madara Sr./Mahor motioned to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and to approve the Paula Volciak/Denise Nolan Final Minor-Subdivision. Motion Carried.
- Madara Sr./Major motioned to rescind the approval of water main supply system waiver for Heath Subdivision on Southview Drive. Motion carried.

STREET DEPARTMENT – Major

- Report was received.
- No further information was received on multi-municipal/pedestrian friendly route project.
- Madara Sr./Williams motioned to have Aztec Line double-line painting do the line painting on East Center, Quarry Road and Lindy Acres for quote of \$8,222.40. Motion carried.
- Major/Daubert motioned to rescind the motion from last month to have Alpha Space do double-line painting on East Center, Quarry Road and Lindy Acres for quote of \$5,544; due to unresponsiveness of vendor. Motion carried.

BUILDINGS – Madara Sr.

- none

RECREATION – Madara Jr.

- DCNR project should go out to bid this month or next month.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT – Daubert

- 11 permits were issued and \$4,550 in fees were collected during September. 30 letters of correspondence were sent, 16 permits were closed; 1 burn permit was issued; and 17 complaints were received for vehicles, trash, dumping and dangerous structures; etc.
- Robert Meredith Public Nuisance Hearing was held. Board will discuss with Township Solicitor regarding the permit request with follow up next month.

POLICE DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC SAFETY – Williams

- Report was read

RECYCLING – Daubert

- none

MANAGER'S REPORT

- Pre-construct meeting for CDBG Ralpho Township Gym Renovation will be Monday, October 16th 10 a.m.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- none

ENGINEER'S REPORT

- Report Received

OLD BUSINESS:

- SEDA COG contacted us after last meeting and upon review they said the lowest bidder did not meet all the technical bidding requirements for the CDBG Ralpho Township Gym Renovation Project and they suggest we reject the bid. As such based on the recommendation of SEDA-COG Madara Sr./Daubert motioned to award the bid to M&R Contracting Incorporated for the bid of \$69,450. Motion carried.
- Holiday lights have all been sponsored. Thank you to the community.
- Monthly flows at the Ralpho Township Municipal Authority have been within permitted flows for the past month.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Madara Sr./Williams motioned to approve the 2024 MMOs effective 9-30-2023. Motion carried.

CITIZEN INPUT –none

ADJOURNMENT – there being nothing further for discussion, meeting adjourned at approximately 7:08 p.m. on Williams/Daubert motion and carried.

Executive session held for possible litigation.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra L. Olson
Ralpho Township Secretary