

**MINUTES - RALPHO TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS**  
**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING - SEPTEMBER 10, 2024**  
*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 Vincent Daubert, Stephen Major, Daniel Williams and Blaine Madara Jr; Blaine Madara Sr. was absent. Also attending were: Township Solicitor Todd Kerstetter; Township Secretary/Treasurer Debra Olson; Code Officer Mark Lyash; Chief Bryon Chowka; and Roadmaster Damion Beagle; and 3 interested citizens.

CITIZEN INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS – Michael Ryan, 148 W Center St, was present asking that the Supervisors do something additionally about speeding traffic on W Center Street, and also questioning talk of possible removal of parking on side of street on West Center Street. John Shriver, 194 W Center St, was present to ask about chickens free ranging on West Center Street. Beyond already taking actions per Township Code, the Solicitor will look into this further with the Code Officer.

Minutes of August 13, 2024 regular monthly meeting were accepted as presented on Williams/Major motion and carried.

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

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

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Pension Reports for both Non-Uniform and Police Pensions are available for review in the office.

**COMMITTEE/DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**PLANNING – Mark Lyash**

- none

**STREET DEPARTMENT – Major**

- Report was received.

**BUILDINGS – Madara Sr.**

- none

**RECREATION – Madara Jr.**

- none

**ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT – Daubert**

- 22 permits were issued and \$3,672.66 in fees were collected during August. 36 letters of correspondence were sent; 8 permits were closed; and, 39 complaints were received for vehicles, trash, dumping and dangerous structures, etc.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC SAFETY – Williams**

- Report was read.
- Williams/Major motioned to give \$705 additional funds to the Elysburg Fire Company to assist with the apron project. Motion carried.

**RECYCLING – Daubert**

- Discussion took place on how to handle replacing and/or repairing the hard drive for the cameras at recycling. It will be discussed further in the future.

**MANAGER’S REPORT**

- none

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT**

- none

**ENGINEER’S REPORT**

- Report was received.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- none

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Supervisor Major gave an update on holiday light sponsorship renewals.
- Major/Daubert motioned to adopt the 2025 MMO’s. Motion carried.
- Williams/Daubert motioned to authorize Chairman Madara to sign Budget Revision Certifications for CDBG fiscal fund years 2021 and 2022. Motion carried.
- Trick or Treating in the Township will be from 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, October 31.

**CITIZEN INPUT** – Bryon Sokoloskie, 5 S Hickory St, spoke on camera surveillance systems on the Township Property.

**ADJOURNMENT** – there being nothing further for discussion, meeting adjourned at approximately 7:20 p.m. on Williams/Daubert motion and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra L. Olson  
Ralpho Township Secretary