## LITTLE BRITAIN TOWNSHIP FEBRUARY 11, 2025

The Little Britain Township Board of Supervisors held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at the Municipal Building, 323 Green Lane, Quarryville, Pennsylvania. Prior notice of the meeting was given.

Chairman, Richard Brenneman, called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m. A moment of silence and reflection was followed by the salute to the Flag.

**PRESENT:** Richard Brenneman Abner Beiler

Clark Coates Austin Steffy Mervin Beiler Amos Zook

David Martin Christine Jackson Margaret DeCarolis

**MINUTES:** Motion made by Mr. Beiler, seconded by Mr. Coates and carried to adopt the minutes of the January 6<sup>th</sup> meeting as printed.

**SANITATION:** It was reported that Mr. Prettyman had no billable activities during the month of January.

**ZONING:** Zoning Officer, Christine Jackson reported issuing 4 zoning, 5 occupancy, 1 demolition and farm employee renewal permits during the month of January. Ms. Jackson also advised the Board on the following:

• An overview of 2024 zoning activities was provided for the Board.

Supervisor, Mr. Martin entered the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

**TAXES:** It was reported that Tax Collector, Agnes Reeder collected \$1,667.92 in Real Estate tax and \$137.77 in interim tax during the month of December. All unpaid tax statements have been submitted to the County for collection.

**ROADS:** The Board was advised of the following January road crew activities:

- Removed tree.
- Checked on and cleaned the park.
- Checked on roads.
- Cleaned trucks after snow.
- Prepared trucks for snow.
- Treated and plowed roads.
- Worked on equipment.
- Removed the old playground equipment at the park.
- Pushed back snow drifts.
- Hauled anti-skid material.
- Trimmed tree branches.
- Treated roads for winter conditions.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:** Mr. Coates motioned the payment of General Fund checks 13659 through 13703 in the amount of \$44,490.78. Mr. Beiler seconded the motion, which carried. Motion was made by Mr. Coates, seconded by Mr. Martin and carried authorizing the payment of State Fund check 2069 in the amount of \$11,838.11. Motion made by Mr. Beiler, seconded by Mr. Coates and carried authorizing the payment of ARP Fund check 1012 in the amount of \$40,387.50.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Abner Beiler advised he was here representing the Robert Fulton Fire Company and wished to extend an invitation to their annual awards dinner to be held April 11<sup>th</sup>. He also presented a report on January call activity and advised this report would be available monthly going forward. Mr. Beiler was requested to email the report prior to the meeting so it could be available for the Board to review prior to their meeting.

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** Motion made by Mr. Beiler, seconded by Mr. Brenneman and carried to adopt the minutes of the January 28<sup>th</sup> Township Planning Commission meeting as printed.

**Jeff Sensenig:** Austin Steffy of Scotch Hill Solutions presented the stormwater plan. Landowner animal numbers and acreage acknowledgement have been added to the plan. It was noted that Mr. Sensenig is working on obtaining his letter of credit. Following a review of the plan, a motion was made by Mr. Beiler, seconded by Mr. Coates and carried to approve the plan as presented.

**REFRIGERATED TRAILERS:** Zoning Officer, Ms. Jackson advised she received comments from Mr. Martin pertaining to his desires on the upcoming refrigerator trailer ordinance. Ms. Jackson forwarded those comments to the Solicitor for review and comment and a draft ordinance incorporating these recommendations was enclosed for their review. The Board will review and discuss at their March meeting. The Board also authorized the proposed Ordinance be forwarded to the Township Planning Commission for review and comment.

WATER TESTING: It was noted that when one of the boiler heating units was replaced, the township was advised that problems with the water were likely the cause. It is believed there is mineral build-up in the water causing rust in the water lines. Ms. Jackson had the water retested and discovered the hardness rating increased by 1 gpg (grain per gallon) since it was previously tested in June of 2023. The current rating of 7 gpg classifies the water as hard water that is packed with minerals and likely to cause crusty faucets and pipes and possibly reddish rings on porcelain from excess iron. The tds (total dissolved solids) decreased from 140 ppm (parts per million) to 110 ppm. Per information obtained, ratings of 50-150 ppm are regarded as clean and safe to drink. The ph level remained consistent at 6, which is below the recommended range of 6.5 to 8.5. Based on this level the water may have an unpleasant smell and/or taste and can damage pipes and water-carrying appliances. Ms. Jackson advised of comments obtained from Wayne Reynolds indicating his desire to see filters installed on the water lines, to have an annual contract for service and that the lines be cleaned and purged yearly. Following a discussion on the matter, a motion was made by Mr. Beiler, seconded by Mr. Martin and carried to have filters installed on the water lines and to have the water tested more frequently.

**APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATIVE SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:** Motion made by Mr. Coates to reappoint Mark Daimler as the alternative sewage enforcement officer. Mr. Brenneman seconded the motion, which carried.

**SEPTIC CLEANING EXEMPTION REQUEST:** The Board was advised that Jerome Miller of 29 Latham Road is requesting a 5-year exemption on the cleaning of his septic system. It was noted that only he and wife reside in the 4 bedroom home and that they spent approximately 6 months per year living out of State. Following a review of the request, a motion was made by Mr. Coates, seconded by Mr. Martin and carried to grant the exemption requested.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** At 8:17 p.m., an executive session was called to discuss a legal matter. The meeting reconvened at 8:26 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 8:27p.m., there being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Coates, seconded by Mr. Martin and carried to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret D. DeCarolis Secretary/Treasurer