## EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ANNUAL ORGANIZATION MEETING 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 January 3, 2022

Chairman Char Gray called the Annual Board of Supervisors Annual Organization Meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Those present: Supervisor Char Gray; Supervisor James Knight; Supervisor Katie Evans; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; Solicitor Jason Brudecki (Peter Matson's Office); Planning/Zoning Director Makenzie Stover and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public who were present at the Township building: Daniel Greene and Susan Greene.

Motion by Supervisor Gray and seconded by Supervisor Knight to appoint Supervisor Knight as Temporary Board Chairman. Gray-y; Knight-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

The meeting was turned over to Temporary Chairman Knight.

Motion by Supervisor Knight and seconded by Supervisor Gray to appoint Gayle Boudman as Township Board Secretary. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Supervisor Gray and seconded by Supervisor Evans to appoint Supervisor Knight as the Township Board Chairman.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to appoint Supervisor Gray as the Township Board Vice Chairman. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Supervisor Evans to accept the following reappointments:

- Township Manager, Jolene Helwig
- Roadmaster, Steve Mohr .
- Assistant Roadmaster, Nate Fisher
- Treasurer, Gayle Boudman
- Assistant Secretary, Jolene Helwig
- Assistant Treasurer, Jolene Helwig .
- Open Records Officer, Jolene Helwig •
- Assistant Open Records Officer, Gayle Boudman •
- Animal Enforcement Officer, Wayne Hoover •
- Emergency Management Coordinator, Lawson Fetterman •
- Pension Advisory Committee, Employee Representative, Steve Mohr
- Pension Plan Consultant, David Lytle and John Vargo, Conrad Siegel •
- Sewage Enforcement Officer, James Sanders •
- Sewage Enforcement Officer Alternate, Kenneth Young .
- Solicitor, Peter L. Matson

Vacancy Board, John Malloy

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Supervisor Evans and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to acknowledge newly elected Daniel Green to serve as the East Buffalo Township Tax Collector for the next four-year term. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Supervisor Evans and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to appoint Crystal Gnidovec to serve as East Buffalo Township Deputy Tax Collector for the calendar year 2022. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Supervisor Evans and seconded by Chairman Knight to appoint Lana Snyder to the 4-year unexpired term on the East Buffalo Township Board of Auditors until the next municipal election, contingent upon legal review.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to appoint Herring, Roll and Solomon, P.C., Certified Public Accountants, as the auditing firm for the 2021 Township Financial Records. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

No action taken to appoint a Citizen Representative of the East Buffalo Township Pension Advisory Committee for calendar year 2022.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Chairman Knight to appoint Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc. (HRG) to serve as the East Buffalo Township Planning Commission Primary Engineer for calendar year 2022.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to appoint LIVIC Civil to serve as the East Buffalo Township Planning Commission Secondary Engineer for calendar year 2022. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to appoint Christine Buffinton to serve on the East Buffalo Township Planning Commission for a four-year term expiring December 2026. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to appoint Mary Beth Griffith to serve on the East Buffalo Township Planning Commission for a four-year term expiring December 2026. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to appoint Taylor Lightman to serve on the East Buffalo Township Planning Commission for a four-year term expiring December 2026. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to appoint Dorothy Douglas to serve on the East Buffalo Township Zoning Hearing Board for a three-year term expiring December 2024. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to appoint Brian Kerstetter to serve as the Primary Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor for East Buffalo Township for a one-year term; contingent upon Brian accepting primary.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to appoint Martin Wilson to serve as the Alternate Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor for East Buffalo Township for a one-year term. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to appoint Matt Glazer to serve on the Buffalo Valley Recreation Authority Board for a five-year term. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to appoint Justin Madaus to represent East Buffalo Township as a Primary Commissioner on the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Commission for a one-year term expiring December 2022. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Chairman Knight to appoint Vice Chairman Char Gray to represent East Buffalo Township as a Primary Commissioner on the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Commission for a two-year term expiring December 2023. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to appoint John (Jack) Malloy to represent East Buffalo Township as a Primary Commissioner on the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Commission for a three-year term expiring December 2024. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to appoint Supervisor Katie Evans to represent East Buffalo Township as an Alternate Member of the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Commission for a two-year term expiring December 2023. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to appoint Chairman James Knight to represent East Buffalo Township as a Board Member to the Central Susquehanna Fire and Emergency Services Department for a one-year term. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to appoint Supervisor Katie Evans to represent East Buffalo Township as the Alternate Board Member of the Central Susquehanna Fire and Emergency Services Department for a one-year term. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to appoint Philip Tharp to serve on the Lewisburg Area Joint Sewer Authority for a five-year term expiring December 2026. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to appoint Jolene Helwig, Township Manager to serve as the East Buffalo Township Voting Delegate to the Union County Tax Collection Committee (UCTCC) for the calendar year 2022. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to appoint Gayle Boudman, Township Treasurer to serve as the East Buffalo Township Alternate Voting Delegate to the Union County Tax Collection Committee (UCTCC) for the calendar year 2022. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Chairman Knight for Supervisor Evans (Township representative) to attend the April 24-27, 2022, PSATs Annual Educational Conference & Trade Show.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Chairman Knight for Chairman Knight to represent East Buffalo Township as the Voting Delegate at the 2022 PSATs Conference, with Resolutions Voting scheduled to take place at a session on Tuesday, April 26, 2022. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Supervisor Evans and seconded by Chairman Knight to approve the following matters related to Township operations:

- Authorize the Township Solicitor to represent East Buffalo Township at all Board, Authority, Committee and Planning Commission meetings and hearings.
- Name Susquehanna Community Bank as the depository for 2022.
- Accept the IRS Mileage rate of \$0.585 effective January 1, 2022, for Township authorized travel. (NOTE: The 2022 rate is increasing from \$0.56.)
- Accept the 2022 maximum Per Diem Rates published by the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) for meals as follows: Breakfast \$13; Lunch \$15; Dinner \$26. (*NOTE: The 2022 rate is increasing for Lunch from \$13 and Dinner \$23.*)
- Pay each member of the Planning Commission \$25 per meeting attended in 2022, with payment to be made quarterly.
- Continue participation in the Animal Enforcement Program with the Borough of Lewisburg and Bucknell University for 2022.
- Continue the Planning & Zoning Administration and Code Enforcement Program with the Central Keystone COG for 2022.
- Authorize the Township Manager and Township Secretary to receive and publicly open all bids advertised by the Township. All bids to be reported to and acted upon by the Board of Supervisors at a public meeting of the Board.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Chairman Knight to establish the Board of Supervisors 2022 Meeting Schedule. Meetings to be held at 5:30 PM in the East Buffalo Township Municipal Building, 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, Union County. Meetings will also be available in a virtual format that provides for public viewing and participation. Access to the virtual meeting registration will be available on the Township website (ebtwp.org). If it becomes necessary to conduct a meeting using only the virtual meeting format, the Township will post notice on its website at ebtwp.org at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Meet dates are as follows:

- Monday, February 14<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, July 11<sup>th</sup>

- Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup>

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

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- Monday, January 24<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, February 28<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup>
- Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup>

- Monday, July 25<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>
- Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>
- Tuesday, December 27<sup>th</sup>

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Chairman Knight to adjourn the Annual Organizational Meeting at 6:10 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretary

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Char Gray, Vice Chairman

Katie Evans, Supervisor

## EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 January 3, 2021

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 6:13 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor Katie Evans; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; Solicitor Jason Brudecki (Peter Matson's Office); Planning/Zoning Director Makenzie Stover and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Matt Farrand (Standard-Journal) and Brett Eyster (Evergreen Cleaning Co.).

There were no public comments.

Chairman Knight reported that he attended the December 23rd meeting of the Central Susquehanna Fire and Emergency Services (CSFES) and that the budget was approved at the current tax rate. Vice Chairman Gray questioned the past purchase of a boat for \$15,000 and whether it was used. Chairman Knight will check into it and report back.

Vice Chairman Gray reported that BVRA had a good December and got through the year without needing additional funds from the Township and the Borough of Lewisburg. Gymnastic registration was great in December, bringing in around \$56,000. Chairman Gray reported that BVRA is looking into pursuing a DCNR Grant; however, it is a lot of work with lots of contingencies, and it raises the question as to whether the entire structure of BVRA and the Management Agreement with the Borough should be reviewed before pursuing. DCNR requires a 25-year agreement with the Borough since the property is not owned by BVRA; the existing agreement with the Borough ends in 2028. The park needs work and doesn't have the advantage of free equipment from Playworld any longer. The pool needs a lot of work and requires a feasibility study in order to submit the grant proposal. The YMCA has taken over quite a few of BVRA programs, given their bandwidth, marketing, and scholarship access. BVRA has limited full-time permanent staff, and managing the financial responsibilities required in the Management agreement are difficult. BVRA, however, did find a consultant who will write the grant for them for around \$2,000 (+/-) if they choose to pursue.

Supervisor Evans reported that she attended the PSATS Boot Camp and found it to be a valuable tool.

Township Manager Helwig reported that Christmas Tree collection is scheduled to start on Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup> and will continue throughout the week. The crews are marking roads for in house stormwater projects and tree trimming as the weather allows. Township Manager Helwig noted that with the tree trimming and/or cutting down of dead trees in the township right-of way there may be an increase in citizen calls upset about trees being trimmed.

No receipt of the December 2021 Buffalo Valley Regional Police Department (BVRPD) reports.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the Central Keystone Council of Governments (CKCOG) December 2021 report.

Moton by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the Patrick Scullin Add-on Subdivision of land plans. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Chairman Knight to approve the Joel and Virginia Sumfest Add-on Subdivision of plans.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the Esther P. Herman Minor Subdivision Plan for property. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Chairman Knight to approve the Aaron Beiler and Rose Beiler Add-on Subdivision of land to land of Richard Diehl. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Chairman Knight to approve the December 13, 2021, supervisor meeting minutes as distributed. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-abstained; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the expenditures for December 2021 as presented.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-abstained; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the Board Chairman to sign the Fairground Road Park Phase 1 change to the Scope of Work requested due to budget constraints. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion made by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Chairman Knight to Contract with Evergreen Cleaning Company out of Lewisburg for weekly cleaning at a cost of \$445.00 per month and a cost of \$440.00 for exterior windows and \$275.00 for interior windows to be done twice a year in the Spring and Fall. Note: Service contract to start February 1, 2022. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to authorize Township Manager and Secretary/Treasurer to work with Conrad Siegel and Susquehanna Community Bank to close out the East Buffalo Township Pension Account and to transfer the remaining funds of \$1,349.57 to the VOYA Asset account.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Chairman Knight asked the board about drafting a letter as a whole to the Legislative Reapportionment Commission (LCR) concerning the proposal of new district borders. The concern is that East Buffalo Township shares services with surrounding Townships and how this change will affect those services and future funding.

For the second segment of public comment, the attendees were welcomed to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

Public Comments:

• Matt Farrand (Standard-Journal); asked for a review of the new organizational changes.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor to adjourn at 8:15 PM.

Gayle Boddman, Secretary

James Knight, Chair

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Katie Evans, Supervisor

# NOTICE

The East Buffalo Township Board of Supervisors Public Work Session meeting scheduled for in-person or via the virtual meeting format on Monday, January 24, 2022, at 5:30 PM has been CANCELLED.

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The next public meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held Monday, February 14, 2022, at 5:30 PM. Visit ebtwp.org for information regarding meeting location.

POSTED: January 19, 2022

## EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 February 14, 2021

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor Katie Evans; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; Solicitor Peter Matson; and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Matt Farrand (Standard-Journal); Chris Benson (Daily Item) and Daniel Green, EBT Tax Collector.

Members of the public participating online: Tina Prowant and Christine Shabanowitz.

Chairman Knight announced that an Executive Session was held on Friday, January 21, 2022, at 3:15 PM to discuss personnel matters and an informational session was held on Wednesday, February 2, 2022, at 10:00 AM.

Chairman Knight called the Public Hearing to order at 5:32 PM to consider the adoption of an ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance to provide for regulations regarding Small Cell Wireless Facilities.

Public Comments on adopting an ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance:

- Matt Farrand (Standard-Journal) asked for a clearer explanation of the ordinance.
- Tina Prowant, resident, asked if there were any surrounding areas that had the devices already and if the Township would be making money on them.

Chairman Knight closed the public hearing at 5:41 PM.

Motion by Supervisor Evans and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to adopt Ordinance 405 add Chapter 13, Part 3 to the Code of Ordinances of East Buffalo Township and amending Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of East Buffalo Township regarding Small Cell Wireless Facilities in East Buffalo Township. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics.

There were no public comments.

Chairman Knight reported that there was no January meeting of the Central Susquehanna Fire and Emergency Services (CSFES) and that February's meeting was scheduled for the 24<sup>th</sup>. Chairman Knight reported that they would be working on a clearer process for putting together the budget process noting that there is currently no Reserve Fund in the budget which is a requirement.

Vice Chairman Gray reported that the BVRPD met on February 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM and that their reports were online including the Chief's yearend report which is very informative on police activity. Vice Chairman Gray reported that BVRA had a good January with strong gymnastic registrations. The ice rink is up and running and getting lots of use, but the last storm left it quite bumpy so its hard to skate on currently but hopefully it will get evened out. If necessary, the fire company may be able to add more water to make it smooth again. Vice Chairman Gray stated that they are currently looking for Lifeguards and Camp Councilors. The pool will open Memorial Day Weekend and camps run for 10 weeks in the summer.

Township Manager Helwig noted that she attended the PSATS Boot Camp along with Supervisor Evans and received a lot of valuable information. Helwig informed the Board of Supervisors that Kyle Van Why, Wildlife Disease Biologist for the USDA Wildlife Services caught about 110 birds and put bands on about 33 birds. They will be watching to see if the banded birds are around or if they move around the area and get identified at other sites next year. Township Manager Helwig reported that Township Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman and herself participated in the American Rescue Plan Act Funding Update meeting; a two-day training for Secretaries and Administrators; the Office of Open Records Webinars on Basics of the Right-to-Know Laws and Basics of the Sunshine Act. Township Manager Helwig made the Supervisors aware that tree trimming had begun in the township and that they may receive calls from upset residents as the office already has. It was noted that if residents do not keep their trees trimmed from overhanging in roadways and right-of-ways and away from signage, the township has the right to trim the trees back to keep roadways clear and signage visible. Township Manager Helwig reported receiving calls from residents concerning the lack of motorist stopping at the stop sign located at the intersection of Bull Run Crossing and Baylor Blvd. After discussion it was decided that Township Roadmaster Steve Mohr will add this intersection to the list of street line painting (to paint a white line at this location) and look into some type of flashing red light for on the stop sign to alert motorists to stop.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the December 2021 and January 2022 Buffalo Valley Regional Police Departments (BVRPD) Reports.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the Central Keystone Council of Governments (CKCOG) January 2022 report.

Motion by Vice Charman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the January 3, 2022, organization meeting minutes as distributed. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the January 3, 2022, meeting minutes as distributed. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve additional expenditures for December 2021 as presented. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the expenditures for January 2022 as presented. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the removal of the baseball field storage shed by the Public Works Crew, capping utilities, and rebuilding the shed/press box to coordinate with the completion of the dugouts.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Chairman Knight requested Solicitor Matson to redraft a stand-alone ordinance regarding the Recycling/Disposal of Solar Components Upon Decommissioning to be presented at the March Supervisors Meeting.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the submittal of 500 tons of sodium chloride for the 2022-2023 COSTARS sodium chloride (road salt) contract. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve Resolution 01-2022 appointing elected Daniel Greene the East Buffalo Township Tax Collector for the next four (4) years and to authorized to assess, collect, and retain the following fees: Certification of Tax Payments \$25 per certification; Return Check Charge (NSF) \$35 per check; Uncertified copy of Tax Bill (Include research fees) \$5 per copy and Mobile Home \$2. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Chairman Knight to accept the occupancy agreement, with changes as noted, made between East Buffalo Township and Daniel Greene, Tax Collector for the use of Suite 300 located at 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg PA 17837. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to accept the resignation of C. William Pursel as East Buffalo Township Lewisburg Area Joint Sewer Authority Board volunteer member. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to appoint Joshua Satteson to the Lewisburg Area Joint Sewer Authority Board until December 31, 2022. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve Resolution 02-2022 updating the East Buffalo Township Emergency Operation Plan (EOP). Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

After board discussions it was determined that no changes are needed to the Noise Control and Snow Removal Ordinances at this time.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve Resolution 03-2022 to adopt the new fees and costs to be paid by the person or entity offering a street or road for dedication shall be determined by the following schedule: Review of Deed and preparation of Resolution and certification \$300; Filing Fee and recording fee – actual cost; Inspection by Township Engineer – actual cost; Administration Costs \$200.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

For the second segment of public comment, the attendees were welcomed to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

Public Comments: No comments

During the Announcements Chairman Knight commented that he submitted comments to the PA Redistricting Commission on behalf of the board recommending that East Buffalo remain in the same house district as Lewisburg Borough. The recommendation was not accepted for the final state house district map, Lewisburg Borough and East Buffalo Township are not in the same district. East Buffalo and Union Township will be in the 85<sup>th</sup> district, separate from the rest of Union County. Vice Chairman Gray asked to have an Information session to discuss planting trees along West Market Street starting at 10<sup>th</sup> Street. BVRA was given 10 trees to plant thru a grant program received by Taylor Lightman and the township should look into possible grant money available for the trees.

Board of Supervisors entered into an Executive Session at 7:48 PM

Board of Supervisors exited from Executive Session at 8:05 PM.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to adjourn at 8:05 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretary

James Knight, Chairman

Char Gray, Vice Chairman

Katie Evans, Supervisor

## EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORK SESSION 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 February 28, 2022

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor Katie Evans; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; Makenzie Stover Zoning Officer; and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Tim Turner, Builder; Vito Mazzamuto, Property Owner; Connie May, Realtor; Michael Marvin, Property Owner; Ken Estep, Mid-Penn Engineering.

Members of the public participating online: Tina Prowant and Ann Yost, YSM.

Chairman Knight announced that an information session was held on Wednesday, February 23, 2022, at 8:00 AM.

For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics.

- Tim Turner questioned whether attorney Peter Matson would be attending the meeting to discuss the stormwater management ordinance. He is building a house along Fairway Drive and questioning the need for new stormwater management plans in older developments that had stormwater plans approved before the current ordinances were adopted.
- Vito Mazzamuto commented about and the conversations with Attorney Matson and Zoning Office Stover on the requirements for new stormwater management in older developments.
- Connie May questioned the fairness to buyers who purchase in the older developments with approved stormwater management plans and now have to provide a stormwater management plan based on the new ordinances when there is an approved one already in place.
- Tina Prowant questioned whether properties were going to be assessed this year. She asked for an update on the Stein Lane and if Chairman Knight had a meeting with Bucknell yet.

Chairman Knight reported that he attended the Central Susquehanna Fire and Emergency Service (CSFES) meeting held on Monday, February 28, 2022 along with Supervisor Evans. Chairman Knight reported that they reviewed the budget and expenditures from 2022 and had some discussion on the 2023 budget process. There was also discussion on the impact of the census, especially on Kelly Township experiencing a large reduction in population. Chairman Knight reported that the contributions for 2022 will stay the same for this year since the census results were so up in the air and Kelly Township is appealing the results. The appeal will need to be resolved before they can move ahead with the 2023 budget. Chairman Knight noted that Lewisburg Borough's population went down while EBT's population went up. Our contribution will increase in 2023, so we will need to consider increasing the rate for the fire tax, spending from the fund reserve or a combination of the two.

Vice Chairman Gray report that she will wait until the next business meeting to report on BVRPD and BVRA since there were no meetings held.

Supervisor Evans reported that she also attended the CSFES meetings as an alternate.

Township Manager Helwig reported that Seth Heintzelman, the township CPA, started the 2021 audit on Monday, February 21<sup>st</sup> and completed most of his analysis but would probably be back in March to finish going through data and make sure he has what he needs. Township Manager Helwig reported that she attended a DCNR Grant meeting on Friday, February 25<sup>th</sup> and got a lot of information.

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Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to waiver the peak rate controls for the Michael Marvin Pool Addition Project as recommended by the Planning Commission. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to waive the requirements for the construction of a stormwater facility for the Michael Marvin Pool Addition Project. Motion tabled until the Supervisors Meeting on March 14, 2022 to gather more information from the township engineer and township solicitor.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the January 3, 2022, meeting minutes as distributed.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the YSM recommendation for East Buffalo Township to award the Fairground Road Park Phase I, Contract No. 1 to Don E. Bower, Inc. for the base bid of \$442,017.40 and recommends the Township Solicitor to review the original bids for authenticity, completeness, and accuracy. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans authorizing the Township Manager to advertise the 2022 road project bids. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight authorizing the Township Manager to advertise the 2022 Diesel/Gasoline Fuel Island Canopy project bid. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

For the second segment of public comment, the attendees were welcomed to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

Public Comments: No comments

Board of Supervisors entered into an Executive Session at 7:00 PM

Board of Supervisors exited from Executive Session at 7:15 PM.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to adjourn at 7:15 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretary

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Katie Evans, Supervisor

## EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORK SESSION 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 March 14, 2022

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor Katie Evans; Solicitor Peter Matson; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; Planning and Zoning Officer Makenzie Stover; Township Engineer Erin Threet from HRG; and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Vito Mazzamuto; and Matt Farrand (Standard Journal).

Members of the public participating online: Chris Benson (Daily Item); Tina Prowant and Chris Watts.

For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics

Tina Prowant asked when the Township Crew would start sweeping the streets.

Vice Chairman Gray report that BVRA showed strong gymnastic registration for last month but had some cancellations due to the price of gas and travel distance of some participants. Vice Chairman Gray reported that BVRA will be applying for the County Rescue Fund Grant. The application is due by the end of May so if they do get any funds, they probably wouldn't be available until later in the year. Vice Chairman Gray attended the BVRPD meeting with Supervisor Evans and the standard reports and financials were in line with the average numbers. They were also able to meet the new officer hired.

Supervisor Evans reported that she also attended the BVRPD meeting.

Township Manager Helwig reported that Ty Basinger, Mosquito Control Technician for the North Central Coalition of Counties, will be placing traps in our area for monitoring mosquitos for West Nile Virus. We are to contact him with any residential reports of traps or problems with mosquitos found in our area. Township Manager Helwig noted that the new EBT Recycling Flyer was mailed out and covers the Spring through Fall, with a new flyer being sent out in the Fall before this one ends. Township Manager Helwig stated that there was a preconstruction meeting held with Mid-State Paving and Stahl Shaffer Engineering on March 9<sup>th</sup> for the Oxford Road Stormwater Project. The project is scheduled to start March 21<sup>st</sup> providing that the materials are delivered, and there is no inclement weather. Letters have been sent out to all residents on Oxford Drive informing them of the start date and that the hours of work will be Monday through Thursday (7:00 AM to 5:00 PM) with Friday being an alternate day as needed. The project is scheduled to be completed by the end of June to coincide with the July paving schedule in the township. Township Manager Helwig reported that she and Secretary/Treasurer Boudman will be attending a Union County webinar March 16th on the next steps pertaining to ARPA funding. Township Manager Helwig made the Supervisors aware that Turtle Creek Road was closed between 563 and 966 due to the snow drifting across the roads from Saturday's snowstorm. All residents along Turtle Creek are able to access their driveway. County Communication was notified about the closure and made aware of how to access in case of an emergency. For those residents calling in. Roadmaster Mohr has said the road will remain closed until the snow melts due to the damage that would be caused to the dirt road by the equipment if they try to plow it open.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the February 2022 Buffalo Valley Regional Police Departments (BVRPD) Reports.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the Central Keystone Council of Governments (CKCOG) February 2022 report.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Charman Gray to waive the requirements for the construction of a stormwater facility for the Michael Marvin Pool Addition Project. (Note): Any property for which there is a previously approved Development stormwater plan does not need a new individual plan for the property. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Charman Gray to have Township Solicitor Matson prepare an amendment to the subdivision land development ordinance and stormwater ordinance to resolve any current discrepancies between the two. (Note): Subdivisions and land developments approved by the Township would have had a stormwater study and plan prepared and approved by the Township at the same time as the subdivision or land development is approved, there is no basis for requiring another stormwater plan for an individual lot. Additionally, no stormwater waivers are required for similar pending request that fall into this same category.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the February 28, 2022, work session meeting minutes as distributed.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the expenditures for February 2022 as presented.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray authorizing Solicitor Matson to proceed with the redraft amending Chapter 20, Part 2, Section 204 of the Code of Ordinance regarding the Recycling of Alternative Energy Facility Components Upon Decommissioning, to exclude Residentials, and to advertise for a public hearing before the Board of Supervisors.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

The Board of Supervisors discussed the Spruce Hill Park and would like to see if access from Wedgewood Gardens could be added to the park plan, along with the placement of a half-court basketball court.

The Board of Supervisors decided to table the Sein Lane discussion.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the Tax Collector Policy on Expenses for East Buffalo Township.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the annual insurance renewals with Penn National and Hudson companies for policies renewing April 1, 2022. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans authorizing the Township Manager to run the job posting in the local newspaper, on PA Career Link, Indeed and post on the Township website. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

For the second segment of public comment, the attendees were welcomed to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

Public Comments:

• Tina Prowant asked if the person ends up getting the (driveway) permit does that permit end up giving them permission that they had already dedicate the road over to the township? Is the township no longer taking over or dedicating any more roads? Thanked Vice Chairman Gray for looking into the recycling of electronic devices.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to enter into an Executive Session at 7:20 PM.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to exit from the Executive Session at 7:57 PM.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Supervisor Evans to adjourn at 7:57 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretary

Knight, Chairmar

Char Gray, Vice Chairman

Katie Evans, Supervisor

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor Katie Evans; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Matt Farrand (Standard Journal); Chris Benson (Daily Item); Kim & Mark Satteson; Joshua Satteson; John DelVecchio; Dale Lind; George Scurfield; Amy Griffith; Martha Hass; Freddi Carlip; Tina Prowant; Chris Buffinton; Adam Burgos; Sandy Klus-Hanzel; Dan Voneida; Bill Walling; Kevin Walling; Taylor Lightman; Michael Daniloff; P. Dameon Lin; Drew Griffith; Gerri A. Brouse; and Brian Auman.

Members of the public participating online: Andrea Berger; Charles Dismore; Dale Miller; Dawn Epler; Frederick Dyroff; Gray Griffith; Greg Alico; Jon Allocca; Jennifer Kratzer; Jill Heckler; Katrina DelVecchio; Lisa Veloz; Lorraine Tusing; Mark Blakeslee; Mary McBryan; Matthew Balliet; Mellissa Wagner; Peter Anderson; Rachel Lin; Stephen Everson; Sue John and Tom Cassidy.

Chairman Knight announced that an information session was held on Thursday, March 17, 2022, at 9:00 AM.

Chairman Knight reported that Central Susquehanna Fire and Emergency Services (CSFES) met Thursday, March 24, 2022. Chairman Knight reported that they were supposed to talk about the Capital Budget but talked about only the Operational Budget. They are running a deficit in part to the fuel costs so that is something they will have to keep an eye on throughout the year, but Chairman Knight will talk more about that at the next Supervisors Business Meeting.

Township Manager Helwig reported that brush pick up will begin on April 11, 2022. Township Manager Helwig stated that the Oxford Drive Project that was scheduled to start on March 21<sup>st</sup> has now been rescheduled to start in mid-April due to a scheduling issue with the contractor, but all material has been delivered to the site. The East Buffalo Township residences in the Spruce Hills Development were being notified. Township Manager Helwig announced that Don Bower received the notice to proceed with the Fairground Road Project with the work to be completed by July 1, 2022. The park will be closed during this time period; signs and fencing will be put up to keep residents out of the area. Don Bower's work schedule will be Monday through Saturday; 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM with Saturday's being used as rainy-day makeup.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the March 14, 2022 meeting minutes as distributed.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics.

Hearing of Visitors:

 The Township Supervisors are seeking public input on the concept of changing Stein Lane between Adams Ave and Smoketown Rd, South 15<sup>th</sup> Street between Market St and Stein Lane, and Monroe Avenue between 15<sup>th</sup> St and Stein Lane to one-way southbound. The northbound lane would be converted to a bicycle and pedestrian path. Discussion followed, public comments, questions and concerns were captured and are as follows:

## General Comments

- Why aren't police patrolling? Never see police coverage on Stein; Increase the police coverage.
- People do not stop at stop signs on Stein Lane.
- □ Not all 30% of the quoted residents who bike or walk to work are in favor of this project.
- Adults tend to walk single file on Stein Lane. It is the kids that don't. (Kids from track teams).

- □ Just slow down. (Supervisor Gray then noted that if everyone would just go the speed limit, we probably would not be having these conversations. See chart for time 'saved' in going 40 vs 25).
- Bikers and walkers should wear bright clothes. Many do not. This should be a law.
- One-ways streets often increase the speed, not decrease it.
- General Safety' is not the ultimate goal. The goal of the road is to move people from one place to another.
- □ This solution does not address Stein Lane south of Smoketown.
- □ The ped/bike lane is unsafe due to design (both bikers and walkers in both directions, right next to car traffic).
- Stein Lane runner traffic has decreased since the new high school opened north of town.
   Note: other residents noted that track teams from the high school still run in this area.
- □ The goal should be to balance safety with traffic flow.
- □ This appears to be a huge cost.
- Residents leaving their homes to bike or walk on Stein Lane (or any road) should be aware of their surroundings especially with car traffic and be responsible.
- □ Investigate the path that Perry Township has put in; it is a good example of a bike/ped path.
- D Provide education/information for alternative routes to using Stein Lane.
- Like idea of designated lane, would use the path; like suggestion to study further.
- Concerned with bikes / pedestrians going in both directions on the same path.

## **Rerouting Comments**

- In bad winter weather, the lights at BU (Moore/Smoketown and Rte 15) are set to flashing. It is difficult to go left or cross Rte 15. Could be dangerous with increased traffic?
- □ Wednesday traffic at Fairground and Rte 45 is heavy.
- □ Fairground Road is already congested esp. at school times and by Pawling Field.
- □ Smoketown/Rte 15 light at BU no minor inconvenience; can it accommodate the extra traffic?
- People will cut through Linntown instead of going west on Smoketown to Fairground.
- This adds more traffic to 15<sup>th</sup> St. which is narrow closer to Market and typically has parked cars on either side.
- □ Monroe also typically has parked cars on the road.
- □ Increased traffic on other Linntown streets, causing additional damage to these streets.
- Residents on Curtain Ave would have to turn left. It is very hard to see at that intersection.
- □ With this solution, there will be no traffic light to get out of Linntown onto Market St.
- This solution does not address issues on Smoketown.
- □ This will be confusing to residents, especially the older one, on Monroe Ave and 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Deople park on 15<sup>th</sup> St. both sides. People also park on Monroe Ave.
- Use Verna as a one-way to re-route people instead of Stein Lane.
- □ Alternatives going north are tedious.
- □ This just moves traffic to another small roadway, e.g., 14<sup>th</sup> Street will get more damaged.

## Bucknell

- Put a path on Bucknell's property.
- BU should give some ROW to township for path.
- BU uses this area the most.
- BU solution will help access to Rail Trail.
- BU runners run 4-abreast and do not move for cars.
- Liability of getting hit by golf ball.
  - o If a golfer hits someone on Stein Lane, with a golf ball, the golfer is responsible.
  - o If BU allows for a private path on their property, then Bucknell would be responsible.
- □ Have BU cut down trees to have room for ped/bike path? Plant new smaller trees.
- □ Significant cost to putting in path. Offer to share cost with BU to put in the bike/ped path.
- Need additional conversation w/BU. Possibly cut the bank to make path. Or shift cartway and tee boxes.
- □ The BU plan to have a path across their fields to Stein Lane will help access to Rail Trail, regardless of what is done with Stein Lane.

## Questions:

- □ Why don't you just increase shoulders on Stein to allow for pedestrians and bikers?
- □ How wide will the Pedestrian path size be? Is it expected to accommodate bikes and pedestrians?
- Can the Township enforce Eminent Domain to take the land to put a path on Bucknell property?
- □ Can the township additional ROW from Bucknell so that I path can be put on that property? (It was noted that the ROW on this stretch of Stein Lane is only 33 feet.
- □ Who is using the road, and in what volumes?
- Will a traffic study include a study on how much traffic is diverted to Smoketown Rd east and west?
- How does this impact the school bus routes?
- Can we get more detail on crashes? How many involved only cars? Cars and pedestrians? Bikes? How many were in the section of Stein Lane being discussed for the one-way road?
- Why do track teams run on Stein Lane?
- □ Will there be a survey?
- □ How many people use Stein Lane to get to the Rail Trail?
- □ Taylor Lightman quoted the statistic that 30% of people in Lewisburg bike or walk to work. Can this be confirmed, as it seems high.
- □ Was Stein Lane going north reviewed as an option?
- Someone noted that this was a 'Foot/Bike' town. Is it really? What is the data on who is using Stein Lane?
- □ How would this impact physicians who have emergencies at the hospital?
- □ What other traffic calming ideas are being discussed?
- □ Will there be lights on the pedestrian/bike path?
- □ Is there more information available on Bucknell's plans for a path through Bucknell to Stein Lane?

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Supervisor Evans to adjourn at 7:30 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretary

James Knight.

Char Gray, Vice Chairman

Katie Evans, Supervisor

## EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 April 11, 2022

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor Katie Evans; Solicitor Peter Matson; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; Planning and Zoning Officer Makenzie Stover; and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Melissa Wagner; Chris Watts (MPE); Nancy Steckel and Matt Farrand (Standard Journal).

Members of the public participating online: Chris Benson (Daily Item); Fred Warren; Ronni Abney; Tina Prowant and Peter Anderson.

For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics

Chairman Knight asked that any comments and/or questions on Stein Lane be held until we
reached the Stein Lane portion under old business and that Stein Lane would be moved up as the
first item under old business instead of the last item.

Chairman Knight stated that he sent everyone the report for WCEC (William Cameron Engine Company). Chairman Knight stated WCEC is a lot busier; noting on the report that their call volume was up over all by 20% last year from 2020 and you had to go back to 2019 when calls were a little more normal but were still 16% higher. Fire calls alone were up 26%, however, they are able to maintain their response times with the average response time being under 7 minutes. Chairman Knight noted that last year WCEC ran a small deficit with their finances, part of which was mitigated by getting a PPP loan for \$244,000.00 so they are starting this year with an operating deficit with the rising fuel prices - which will only get worse. WCEC is working on a couple of fund-raising ideas. They are also looking to establish written agreements with Buffalo and West Chillisquaque townships. Both have historically provided donations but have not made firm commitments. If the budget deficit does not improve by mid-year, they may request additional funds from the townships.

Vice Chairman Gray reported that BVRA gymnastic registration are still strong. Chairman Gray noted that summer camp registrations have started, and they are in need of camp counselors and lifeguards. With the number of registrations so far, there is a concern that there will not be enough counselors and/or lifeguards for the number of kids attending camp. Chairman Gray stated that Taylor Lightman is still pursuing a grant to get trees for along West Market Street.

Township Manager Helwig reported that today was the start of the Spring Brush and Yard Waste Pickup in the Township. The crew had already started a pre-pickup tagging of piles so they could be corrected before the official start of pickup. As of this afternoon the crew had already tagged 5 - 6 piles so calls may start coming in. Township Manager Helwig reported that two retirees agreed to come back part-time to help with the pickup. Township Manager Helwig stated that she received word from Mid-State Paving who is doing the work on Oxford Drive that the tentative start day is scheduled for April 18, 2022, weather permitting. Township Manager Helwig reported that she & Chairman Gray talked to Pat Mara with the Buffalo Valley Lewisburg Kawana's Club about having an electronic recycling event; possibly in June or July; in the township parking lot. This is not a free program; they do charge a small donations fee for dropping off items to cover the costs to depose the items once collected. Township Manager Helwig noted that additional information will be provided after Mr. Mara meets with his board of directors and a firm date is reached. Township Manager Helwig reported that Linn Conservancy is asking about possibly renting some office space within the township building. Additional information on this would need to be provided. Township Manager Helwig reported that Township Animal Control Officer Wayne Hoover will be working with Lauren Mack on the feral cat issue on N. 10<sup>th</sup> street to try to get the problem taken care of. Township Manager Helwig reported that the Township is still looking to hire full-time help; however, after looking at applications sent in, hiring is on hold while the current hiring process is looked into in an executive session to be held later on.

Secretary/Treasurer Boudman reported on some of the larger bills listed in the expenditures report for March 2022.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the March 2022 Buffalo Valley Regional Police Departments (BVRPD) Reports.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the Central Keystone Council of Governments (CKCOG) March 2022 report.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the Bucknell University Pascucci Team Center and Practice Fields Land Development plans. Knight-abstain, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Charman Gray to approve the Grenoble Subdivision Plan located a 75 & 179 Weathervane Lane. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the March 28, 2022 work session meeting minutes as distributed. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the expenditures for March 2022 as presented.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Chairman Knight updated the public on the previous discussion concerning Stein Land and noted the comments, questions and concerns regarding the Stein Lane Proposal that were listed would be looked into and addressed before the next public meeting. Chairman Knight asked if there were any additional comments from the public.

- Nancy Steckel commented that she was not at the last meeting but as someone who travels north
  on Stein Lane is not particularly in favor of this change. Does not give consideration to those who
  use that route on a regular basis. Would like to see answers to the questions asked about a
  survey, project costs, and whether it's possible to use eminent domain in terms of Bucknell to get
  a biking lane there. This information would be helpful before a final decision is made.
- Melissa Wagner commented that she was at the last meeting virtually and there were several in attendance that asked about vehicle/pedestrian accidents on that stretch of Stein Lane and that data was not available. Based on data from PennDOT.gov, since 2011 through 2020 there were six vehicle/pedestrian accidents in EBT, but none were on this stretch of Stein Lane. Questioned whether this information was correct and if so its key to looking at the severity of what we are trying to solve. Does the plan solve the problem, or does it relocate it into other areas that have denser residential populations? This was a key piece of information that people wanted that was not available and seem to be a basic building block in determining if this plan is even necessary.
- Matt Farrand asked when the next public meeting would be and commented that as a cyclist and runner there is no barrier between vehicle/pedestrians. People don't look.
- Tina Prowant asked when the electronic recycling might be and who and how many were online. Commented that although there were no accidents there are a lot more drivers and there must be a lot more runners and walkers, we don't want to wait any longer to have an accident, something needs to be done.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans authorizing Solicitor Matson to proceed with the amending of Chapters 21, Part 5, Section 505, of the Code of Ordinance regarding Driveways and Chapter 22, Section 402.1.b of the Code of Ordinance regarding the SALDO, to incorporate the standards into both ordinances to be consistent and to advertise for a public hearing before the Board of Supervisors. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve Professional Petroleum Service Company for the construction of a 43' x 46' 6-column Fuel Island Canopy at the price of \$155,596.00. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to approving moving the \$95,000 already allocated for the fuel island canopy from 2021 an additional \$60,000.00 from the Reserve Fund to the General Fund to cover the cost of the Fuel Island Canopy. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to accept the bid from HRI, Inc. for the 2022 paving project with the initial anticipate cost of \$283,620.30. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to accept the bid from Russell Standard for the 2022 Seal Coat Bid with the initial total anticipated cost of \$239,145.40 Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Solar Ordinance/Recycling deferred to May 9th Business Meeting.

Vice Chairman Gray reported the BVRA (Amendment to Greenspace Lease) was no longer available.

Township Manager Helwig reported that her understanding from talking with other Townships the Union County Grant Request (BVRA/EBT ARP Funds) was not open to townships that had already received ARPA funds.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the Hunger Coalition 5K (Union-Snyder Community) Race for Saturday, April 30, 2022. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Township Flooring Repair request was denied.

For the second segment of public comment, the attendees were welcomed to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

No Public Comments.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to enter into an Executive Session at 7:28 PM.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to exit from the Executive Session at 8:30 PM.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Supervisor Evans to adjourn at 8:30 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretary

nes Knight, Chairmar

Katie Evans, Supervisor

# NOTICE

The East Buffalo Township Board of Supervisors Public Work Session meeting scheduled for in-person or via the virtual meeting format on Monday, April 25, 2022, at 5:30 PM has been CANCELLED. The next public meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held Monday, May 9, 2022, at 5:30 PM. Visit ebtwp.org for information regarding meeting location.

POSTED: April 23, 2022

## EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 May 9, 2022

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor Katie Evans; Solicitor Peter Matson; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Chuck & Donna Moore, Sandy Klees-Hanzel, Paula Snyder and Matt Farrand (Standard Journal).

Members of the public participating online: Sue Yohn, Gary Griffith, Charles Dinsmore, Marian Marchiori, Fred Warren, George Scurfield, Tina Prowant, Diane Donato, and Kathryn Johnson. For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics

- Chuck Moore, resident who lives along Stein Lane and Jean Blvd, proposed that the township work
  on speed control rather than making Stein Lane one-way and putting traffic in denser residential
  area. Presented information on the use of a "Roving Speed Table" which is used in other states
  with much success.
- Sandy Klees-Hanzel expressed concern that pedestrians do not move out of the road when traffic is coming at them. Suggested that rules and regulations be posted along Stein Lane for walkers, bikers and track & field students using the road. (Char will get with Taylor Lightman on this)
- Paula Snyder suggested that Bucknell could bus students over to the rail trail rather than have them running on Stein Lane. Paula supported the use of the Speed Table.
- Tina Prowant had questions on the animal ordinance. She had a conversation with Animal Control Officer Wayne Hoover and said that in the ordinance it states that "we must keep our pets on a leash". She feels that it should spell out dogs and cats as there are people in her neighborhood who let their cats out and are free to roam the neighborhood. Tina suggested the supervisors contact Wayne on the "feral" cat problem in the township for more information.

Chairman Knight stated that he attended the PSATS 2022 Conference on April 25<sup>th</sup> (Monday) and 26<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday) and thought it very worthwhile and well worth the time and money and the township should send someone every year. Chairman Knight reported that the CSFES (Central Susquehanna Fire and Emergency Services) board met on April 28<sup>th</sup>. WCEC (William Cameron Engine Company) did not provide a financial report because their board did not meet in April. It is unclear how severe WCEC's budget deficit is and/or will be. Both CSFES and WCEC's board members are creating a capital budget and a capital reserve fund. More discussion to follow throughout the year as they are starting the budget process earlier so municipalities have the figures for their budgets.

Vice Chairman Gray reported that BVRA should have enough camp counselors and lifeguards this year, but they had to hire at a higher pay rate than budgeted. Vice Chairman stated that the pool is scheduled to get filled this week and although there is no heater it will be ready to open Memorial Day Weekend. Vice Chairman stated that BVRA is submitting a grant request to Union County Commissioner for ARPA Funds, and she will present more details later in the meeting. Vice Chairman Gray reported that she attended the BVRPD monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 4, 2022 and their report is on their website. Vice Chairman Gray noted that they had lower than normal calls and they reported travel was over 8000 miles last month (there are 51 miles of roads in our area).

Supervisor Evans reported that she attended a Senator Yaw seminar on grant writing and his office is available if anyone has questions or needs help.

Township Manager Helwig reported that the Spring Brush and Yard Waste Pickup is proceeding in the Township. The crew had a couple of issues with the equipment and are tagging piles that do not meet the requirements as listed in the township flyer. There is a major concern that bricks are being found in the piles when the materials get vacuumed up and causing damage to the equipment. Township Manager Helwig questions whether we could fine residents and have them pay the costs of repairs when this

happens. Township Manager Helwig stated that she received word from Mid-State Paving who is doing the work on Oxford Drive that they damaged water lines while digging. There appears to be discrepancies with Stahl Shaffer's drawings and the actual conditions at the job site and although repairs have been made there is the possibility of back charges which both Township Manager Helwig and Roadmaster Mohr both agree should not come back to the township. Township Manager Helwig stated that the work has started on the Fairground Road Park Project. Don E. Bower, Inc., who is doing the work, called with problems concerning the layout of the bolts on the bridge abutments aligning with the holes on the bridge. It appears that the abutments were manufactured incorrectly and will need to be repaired in the field rather than sent back and new ones made. Contact has been made with Ann at YSM and the engineered and state certified approval paperwork for this field repair is in process so work can continue without any delays.

Secretary/Treasurer Boudman highlighted some of the major expenses paid out last month as noted on the expenditures report for April 2022.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the April 2022 Buffalo Valley Regional Police Departments (BVRPD) Reports.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the Central Keystone Council of Governments (CKCOG) April 2022 report.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the April 11, 2022 business meeting minutes as distributed.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the expenditures for April 2022 as presented.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Chairman Knight updated the public on the previous discussions concerning Stein Lane and noted that the township still needed more information before it could make any decisions. Chairman Knight asked if there were any additional comments from the public not asked during the public comment section of the meeting.

Tina Prowant asked about speed signs being put up along Stein Lane, at various locations and . that show the vehicles speed.

Chairman Knight stated the next (short term) steps for the township are collecting more data, talking with Bucknell about cart path use, a list of line painting (crosswalks, slow, etc.) on the road, pedestrian signs, road counter (# of vehicles, speeds, time of day) and share the road signs was sent to Roadmaster Mohr for additional cost estimates.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans authorizing Solicitor Matson to proceed with the amending of Chapter 20, Part 2, Section 204 of the Code of Ordinance regarding the Recycling of Alternative Energy Facility Components Upon Decommissioning, and to advertise for a public hearing before the Board of Supervisors.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to write a Letter of Support for the BVRA St. Mary's Pool and Park Rehabilitation Project. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to accept East Buffalo Townships' portion of the 50% grant match for the BVRA St. Mary's Pool and Park Rehabilitation Project. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans authorizing Solicitor Matson to proceed with the amending of Chapters 21, Part 5, and Chapter 22, Part 4 of the Code of Ordinances of East Buffalo Township Regarding Driveway in East Buffalo Township and to advertise for a public hearing before the Board of Supervisors.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

The Board of Supervisors discussed the Spruce Hills Park project and have decided to form a Neighborhood Committee to help with a review and possible upgrades to the existing plan previously designed by YSM in September 2018. Township Manager Helwig to contact YSM to schedule a park committee meeting before the next Board of Supervisors Regular Business Meeting on June 13, 2022.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the Merrill W Linn Conservancy Occupancy Agreement commence on June 1, 2022, and end on May 31, 2023, contingent upon provisions discussed at the May 9<sup>th</sup> Board of Supervisors Business Meeting. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to hire Charles Funk III as a new Public Work Laborer to start on May 23, 2022. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to write a Letter of Support for the Miller Center for Recreation and Wellness along with the Greater Susquehanna Valley YMCA for the new childcare center addition on the Miller Center. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

For the second segment of public comment, the attendees were welcomed to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

No Public Comments.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Chairman Knight to enter into an Executive Session at 8:00 PM.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to exit from the Executive Session at 8:56 PM.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Supervisor Evans to adjourn at 8:56 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretary

James Knight, Chairman 🦯

Char Gray, Vice Chairman

Katie Evans, Supervisor

## NOTICE

The East Buffalo Township Board of Supervisors Public Work Session meeting scheduled for in-person or via the virtual meeting format on Monday, May 25, 2022, at 5:30 PM has been CANCELLED.

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The next public meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held Monday, June 13, 2022, at 5:30 PM. Visit ebtwp.org for information regarding meeting location.

POSTED: May 20, 2022

## EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 June 13, 2022

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray (via Zoom); Supervisor Katie Evans; Solicitor Peter Matson; Makenzie Stover Zoning Officer (via Zoom); Township Manager Jolene Helwig; and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Chuck & Donna Moore, Mark Gregory (Traffic Logix), Jane Hunselman, Lee Lawrence, Tina Prowant and Matt Farrand (Standard Journal).

Members of the public participating online: Chris Benson (Daily Item) and Christine Shabanowitz.

Chairman Knight announced that an Executive Session was held on Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM and Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM for personnel matters; June 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM and June 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM for informational matters.

Chairman Knight called a public hearing to order at 5:31 PM to consider the adoption of an ordinance to amend Chapter 27, Part 5, Sections 502 and 509 and Chapter 20, Part 2, Section 204 of the Code of Ordinances of East Buffalo Township regarding the recycling/disposal of solar components upon decommissioning.

Chairman Knight closed the public hearing at 5:32PM.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to adopt Ordinance 406, amending Chapter 27, Part 5, Sections 502 and 509 and Chapter 20, Part 2, Section 204 of the Code of Ordinances of East Buffalo Township regarding the recycling/disposal of solar components upon decommissioning. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics

- Chuck Moore, resident who lives along Stein Lane and Jean Blvd, was asked to hold his comments on Stein Lane until the discussion under Old Business section of the meeting.
- Tina Prowant thanked Township Manager Jolene Helwig for putting the agenda on the township Facebook page due to the web site being down.

Chairman Knight stated that William Cameron Engine Company (WCEC) has been talking for over a year about all the issues and repairs that are needed to their facility. There has been talk about hiring an architect to do an assessment on the facility and provide estimates as to the cost to do all the work that needs to be done as well as look at future needs. There has only been one proposal received to date but because of limited funding the WCEC board has decided to postpone doing the assessment. The CSFES board thinks that is a mistake because the costs of repairs will keep going up if they are not addressed and taken care of. The agreement was that if Kelly Township, Lewisburg Borough, and East Buffalo Township could each contribute \$10,000 that would be enough to cover the cost of hiring the architect and WCEC would consider moving forward. There has not been a formal request yet for funds, but the request is expected in the near future.

Vice Chairman Gray reported that both the summer camp and pool swimming lessons have started and are in full swing; however, camps are not filling up as expected and pool memberships are about half the rate of 2021. As a result, financials are being closely monitored and managed because that was money that was budgeted for as revenue. Vice Chairman Gray reported that the BVRPD reports are online, noting that there activity has been about the same as in recent months, and lower than the 10 year trends. One major expense they had was the purchase of new software that will allow for all policies to be put online making them manageable and easily accessible to officers. The new software will also allow for training modules to be online, again, making them accessible to all officers.

Township Manager Helwig reported that the June brush and yard waste pickup has started and once completed within the next week or two, that will be it until the start of the fall pickup. Piles that do not meet the acceptable guidelines and policies will and are being tagged and will not be picked up. The road crews will start with the inhouse July and August road projects which will include Buffalo Alley and possibly Field of Dreams. Township Manager Helwig reported that the Oxford Drive Project is just about completed. The Fairground Road Project has been put on hold by the county conservation officer as a result of water issues with stormwater drains that require revised engineer drawings. Its unclear how long it will be on hold, but the hope is just a few days. Township Manager Helwig reported that May 31<sup>st</sup> was the deadline for the DCED grant for Phase II Funding and an application was completed and submitted. Grants will be awarded in the Spring of 2023. Township Manager Helwig reported that flyers were mailed out to all residents of East Buffalo Township listing the 2022 street maintenance schedule and approximate start dates. The use of TEXTMYGOV, Facebook and the Township website will let residents know when the work is being started and what roads will be impacted.

Secretary/Treasurer Boudman highlighted some of the major expenses paid out last month as noted on the expenditures report for May 2022. Chairman Knight asked for a Budget vs Actual Expenses for the 1<sup>st</sup> half of the year for Utilities be available for July's Business Meeting.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the May 2022 Buffalo Valley Regional Police Departments (BVRPD) Reports.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the Central Keystone Council of Governments (CKCOG) May 2022 report.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the Conner Construction Lot Consolidation.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the May 9, 2022 business meeting minutes as distributed.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the expenditures for May 2022 as presented.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans for Steve Mohr, Roadmaster, at the request of the Board of Supervisors, to purchase two each Ped/Bike signs from Bradco. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Mark Gregory, Senior Regional Manager, from Traffic Logix gave a presentation on their products for Traffic Calming, specifically rubber speed humps, speed cushions and radar speed signs. Additional Stein Lane motions and discussions for other purchases deferred to June 27th work session.

Motion by Vice Chairman Grey seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant Reimbursement agreement for the overhaul of the EBT traffic signal at the intersection of SR0045/SR2007, and the Union County Rail Trail Authority at the Buffalo Valley Rail Trail Crossing. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant Reimbursement Agreement Resolution 04-2022 authorizing the Township Manager to submit the grant agreement and sign the application on behalf of the Township. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Grey seconded by Supervisor Evans to authorize Solicitor Matson's office to prepare the agreement with the Union County Rail Trail Authority on the matching grant requirements and joint adherence to project implementation of an agreement. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Township Manager Helwig updated the public on the Spruce Hills Park project.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to accept the highest bid of \$39,800 from Richard Krishart for the 2009 GMC C-5500 and 10' Boss snowplow with power angle. Should Richard Krishart not make payment within 10 days, the Township Manager is authorized to offer the equipment to the second highest bidder in the amount of \$39,700. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to not approve the handicap parking along SR45 but to encourage homeowners to utilize parking on their property rather than on the streets. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Lewisburg Sprint Triathlon race for Friday and Saturday, August 12 & 13, 2022. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the long line pavement painting quotation from Alpha Space Control Co., Inc. at costs per linear foot as follows: Double Yellow - \$0.18; Single White, Center Turning Lane Yellow Solid, and Dash - \$0.09. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the crosswalk painting quotation from Alpha Sace Control Co., Inc. at costs per linear foot a \$5.00 for 8" and \$4.00 for 6". Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the traffic signal pavement markings from Alpha Space Control Co., Inc. as follows: \$350.00 for "Only" legend; \$225.00 for each Left Turn Arrow; \$450.00 for Left/Through Combination Arrow; \$10.00 per linear foot for Stop Bars; and \$4.00 per crosswalk line.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans directing the Township Manager and Solicitor to draft an employee policy regarding longevity pay. Longevity Pay shall be provided to non-exempt employees as an annual lump-sum payment in the last pay period of the year following the employee's anniversary date. Employees shall be eligible for longevity payments as follows: 5-9 years: \$500, 10-14 years: \$1000, 15-19 years: \$1500, 20+ years: \$2000. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans directing the Township Manager and Solicitor to draft an employee policy regarding Compensatory Time in accordance with the federal Fair Labor Standards Act. Non-exempt employees shall have the option of receiving compensatory time off in lieu of overtime pay. Compensatory time will accrue at 1.5 times the number of overtime hours worked up to a maximum of 40 hours. Compensatory time off must be used prior to taking any accrued vacation time. The employee's immediate supervisor must approve use of compensatory time. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans directing the Township Manager and Solicitor to revise the employee policy regarding Sick Leave payout at retirement. All current employees, exempt and non-exempt, and future employees shall be eligible for payment for accrued sick time upon retirement in accordance with the existing policy, except as follows. The maximum number of hours eligible for payment will be increased from 320 to 360 and the years of service multiplier increased from 3.33% to 4.0%, up to a maximum of 100%.

Knight-y, Gray-n; Evans-y; Motion Carried

For the second segment of public comment, the attendees were welcomed to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

• Tina Prowant thanked Township Manager Helwig for mailing out the flyer on the listing for the 2022 street maintenance schedule.

- Lee Lawrence; 804 Raymond Lane; stated that he was having problems with zoning. Zoning has sent him notifications about the grass and tree maintenance along Rt 15 and Raymond Lane and it is not his property. He had a surveyor come in and discovered that his property boundary line is 20' back from Rt. 15 as well as on Raymond Lane. He has paid over \$5,000 in the past to have the trees trimmed and as they are not on his property, he will not be paying any more money. He feels that there is selective enforcement on the part of zoning as other properties are not being maintained. His second concerned was about his neighbor feeding feral cats that are damaging his property and although he made calls to the Animal Control Office nothing has been done about it. Mr. Lawrence stated that he is getting fines based on the damage the cats are doing to his property and feels his neighbor should be held responsible. He stated that PA law states that if a person feed feral cats, then they are responsible for the damage caused by the cats. The neighbor has called zoning multiple times complaining about the condition of his property; tall grass, yard a mess and he does not do anything about it. The zoning officer sends him notices and does nothing about the feral cats. He will be pursuing a lawsuit. He feels that zoning is selective in their enforcement of codes by fining him and not taking care of the feral cat problem and enforcing others in the area to maintain tall grass and tree maintenance.
- Jane Hunselman, 420 N. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, brought up complaints about the speeding on N. 10<sup>th</sup> Street and would like to see a speed sign, similar to the one being proposed on Stein Lane, put up.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Supervisor Evans to adjourn at 8:05 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretary

James Knight, Chairma Char Gray, Vice Chairman

Katie Evans, Supervisor

## EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORK SESSION 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 June 27, 2022

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:33 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor Katie Evans; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Ann Yost (Landscape Architect with YSM), Matthew Swartz (PennDOT), Joe Lyons (PennDOT), Sue & Lamar Henise, Morton & Evelyn Hershman, Tina Prowant, Jane Mitchel, Bill Schwemm, Melissa Schnars, Moria Chambers, Douglas Collins, Robin Noll, Wendy Wat, Mellissa Fisher, Suzanne Domzalski, Jack Ciummei, Joshua Stough, Yunjing Xu, Mark Eichenlamb, Chuck & Donna Moore, James Bond II, Nick Fuller, Mark Satteson, Kathy Kissell, Erin Hoover, Richard Bonham and Matt Farrand (Standard Journal).

There were no members of the public participating online.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the June 13, 2022 meeting minutes as distributed.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics

Chairman Knight asked that any comments and/or questions on Spruce Hills Park be held until we
reached the Spruce Hills portion under old business. Ann Yost (Landscape Architect with YSM)
presentation of Spruce Hills Park would be moved up as the first item under old business.

Hearing of Visitors:

- Tina Prowant asked whether they were still considering anything to do with Monroe and Jefferson Avenues since Bucknell has started working on their track, is it still on the table.
- Resident asked for clarification on what the "stickers" were that we proposed to be put down on roads.

## Spruce Hills Park

Ann Yost (Landscape Architect with YSM) presented an updated conceptual drawing for the layout of Spruce Hills Park. Chairman Knight opened the floor to public comments.

## General Comments

- Concern about kids riding their bikes on Hawthorne Drive to get to the park.
- Parking lot needs to be moved more East, away from residents' homes located at the opening of the park.
- Great idea to develop the park. Will get the foot traffic off Beagle Club Road.
- Concern for afterhours illegal activity in the park. Who will monitor it?
- Concern about loosing the wildlife that currently lives in that area. Do not want to lose the wildlife because of noise and activity in the park.
- Concern that developing the park will bring lots of outside people into the area.
- What will the hours of the park be? Who and how will it be monitored?
- How will the rental/use of the pavilion be handled?
- Concerns after the park is developed about privacy, noise level and afterhours activities. It is a quiet neighborhood and do not want to lose that.
- Who gets to decide that the park will go through? Will there be a vote for or against it by the local residents?

- Concern about the safety of kids playing in their own backyard who live in adjacent the park. The walking trail will go right along the property. Will there be some type of fencing or buffer to keep people out of back yards?
- How will the park be maintained?
- Apposed to the portable toilet.
- How will the park be paid for?
- If grant funded, will it be a total grant fund?
- Is the development of the park contingent on getting a grant?
- In favor of the park. It will give the neighborhood a central place to gather.
- Is it possible to either eliminate or make the pavilion smaller?
- What is the timeline for the park?
- Is the design of the park an all-or-nothing plan? Can some items on the plan be eliminated?
- Will there be future meetings? And can mailings go out announcing these meetings.
- Can the park be done in phases?
- Why wasn't there a formal invitation to all the neighbors for the meeting on the 9th.
- Will copies of the park concept be made available to the public.

### Stein Lane

Matthew Swartz and Joe Lyons from PennDOT presented state guidelines and requirements addressing the use of electronic speed signs and speed cushions on roadways as well as comments and recommendations on what they found works and what is not effective. See attached PennDOT Traffic Unit Meeting Summary.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans for Steve Mohr, Roadmaster, at the request of the Board of Supervisors, to add six (6) Standard Slow @ \$350 each and add two (2) 8' 25MPH (Extruded Thermoplastic) @ \$500 each to the Alpha Space contract. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

For the second segment of public comments, the attendees were welcome to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

No public Comments.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to adjourn at 8:13 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretary

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Char Gray, Vice Chairman

Katie Evans, Supervisor

## EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Public Business Meeting 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 July 11, 2022

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:34 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor Katie Evans; Solicitor Peter Matson; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Nancy Weyant; Kathy Kissell; Erin Kissell Hoover; Cathy Hoekman; Helen Faye Beard; Robert Beard; Lamar & Sue Henise; Tina Prowant; Drane Scott; Barbara & Bob Sundin; Steve Hoover; Geoff Edick; Ralph McIlvaine; Suzanne Domzalski; Jack Ciummei; Morton & Evelyn Hershman; Mark Huber; James Bond; Richard Bonham; Bridget Gallagher; Chris Benson (Daily Item) and Matt Farrand (Standard Journal).

Members of the public participating online: Janet Yeisley; Kevin Mertz; John Keagan; and Nancy Steckel.

Chairman Knight announced that an informational session was held on Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM to gather personnel information. Informational session was held on Wednesday, July 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM and Friday, July 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM. An Executive Session held Monday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM to discuss legal matters.

Chairman Knight called a public hearing to order at 5:37 PM to consider the vacation of a portion of Bull Run Crossing in East Buffalo Township, Union County Pennsylvania, pursuant to the provisions of the Second-Class Township Code (53 P.S. Subsection 65101, ET SEQ). Chairman Knight closed the public meeting at 5:41 PM.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to adopt Ordinance 407, the vacation of a portion of Bull Run Crossing in East Buffalo Township, Union County Pennsylvania, pursuant to the provisions of the Second-Class Township Code (53 P.S. Subsection 65101, ET SEQ). Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics

- Nancy Weyant commented that she lived in Spruce Hills for 40 years and there is no provision for the park area in a formal way. When they bought their property, they were given a standard layout of what they could and could not do or have on their property. She has honored this document so that at her passing her property is protected. The recommendation to developing the "wild" area of Spruce Hills into a public park that is not supervised and allows kids to come and have zero control over what goes on go does not seem relevant to the nature of Spruce Hills. It will devalue her property. Very concerned about how the presented layout will be financed and feels "someone" is unaware of how much the park will cost and who will make up the difference. It should not be the residents who live there and do not want the park. Wants it to remain in its natural state.
- Cathy Hoekman commented that she has lived in Spruce Hills for 20 years and thinks that disrupting the wildlife, the eco system and the neighborhood by putting in a park has been disruptive. Enjoys watching the wildlife and does not want to see people in her "back yard". Has been maintaining the ground for 20 years and wants EBT to look for another area to develop a park that does not disrupt so many people.
- Faye Beard commented that she lives on the corner of Smoketown Rd and Schoolhouse Rd and is against making Stain Lane a one-way road. Travels it on a regular basis weekly.
- Tina Prowant asked to hold up on public comments and allow Trooper Jacob to do her presentation in case she needed to go.
- Trooper Jacob commented that she is the new Community Service Officer and Public Information Officer, located out of the Milton Barricks, covering Union County, Northumberland County, Snyder County and Montour County. Wanted to introduce herself and let the public know that she is available if they need assistance outside what the township police provide. There is also an

online dashboard that shows all the crash & enforcement data, commercial vehicle data and crime data (under construction) that happens throughout the state.

- James Bond commented that he is not a fan of the park proposal as it stands and is against it. His property boarders the park area and does not want anyone to have access to his back yard where his kids play.
- Diane Scott commented that she lives on Linden Rd and her understanding of the Stein Lane Rd issue is that it needs to be more pedestrian friendly and feels that we need to educate the pedestrians. Changing Stein Lane to a one-way will reroute traffic through non-sidewalk neighborhoods, moving the problem not fixing it. Suggests using the Rail Trail that we just spent millions of dollars on and educate pedestrians to use it.
- Barbara Sundin commented that making Stein Lane a one-way does not work; put traffic in neighborhoods, becomes inconvenient for locals to get in and out of their neighborhoods. Suggest taking land from the golf course to make a pedestrian walkway.
- Bob Sundin asked what the "impetus" was to even consider making Stein Lane a one-way road.
- Tina Prowant asked how long the township has owned the Spruce Hills property and why. Have the supervisors thought about selling the property?
- Ralph McIlvaine commented on the jake brake noise from trucks at the 15<sup>th</sup> St traffic light and the speed of traffic on Rt 45. Would like to see some sort of speed sign along that portion of Rt. 45.
- Suzanne Domzalski commented that she agrees with the other comments against the development Spruce Hills Park. They enjoy the quiet and private area and have concerns about the security and safety of the area. Has major concerns having a parking lot and Porta Potty's next to their property.
- Jack Ciummei commented that they bought their property because of the quiet, tranquil neighborhood and have no problem with the neighbors who use the land now for playing and walking dogs but feel once it is developed into a public park there will be an increase in crime and vandalism and do not want that behind their house.
- Morton Hershman commented that he agrees with the other comments against the park and does not want the park as its presented; clean up the area and make it less elaborate.
- Evelyn Hershman suggested putting a stop sign on Stein Lane at Jonathan Road. Turning onto Stein Lane from Jonathan Road your view is obstructed.
- Mark Huber commented that he has maintained the narrow strip of land adjacent to his property; being proposed as a trail access on Wedgewood Gardens; for stormwater management, utility access and general property maintenance. In taken care of the property he has become familiar with the ecology of the land that may not be recognizable when you walk through. The lower section is very wet after every rain and is swamp like every spring. If there is no rain, there is no water flow in the stream shown on the drawings, its dry all summer and fall. Part of the graded culvert is on a section of his property, so the culvert is not all on the township's property. His home utilities run underground from the pole to his house. There is a fire hydrant located at the trail access. There is a line of walnut trees that may be a bit of a hazard on the trail and require regular cleanup and there is a deer trail route through the area that may also present some issues. Some of his concerns are; is there a plan for privacy screening, a plan for stormwater management and can the residents see it; what's the plan for existing tree removal, what's the plan for winter maintenance, what's the plan for signage at that end of the trail, what's the plan for hours of use, what is the plan for parking; especially at that end of the trail, what's the plan for lighting, will utilities continue to use the path, driving on a mulched path, that will then require maintenance, will there be a fence to keep people out of our property, what about the noise ordinance. Understands the need for parks & recreation in the township but not sure that this location is the right one. Does not understand a new park that abuts or claims land that has been abandoned for years; has become part of residents' back yards and they have been taking care of it for years. If the park development proceeds hopes that it is designed, installed, and maintained so that it does not detract from the quality of residents' lives or reduce the value of their property.
- Richard Bonham commented that he agrees with the comments made by Mark Huber and others against the park.
- Bridget Gallagher commented that she has been taken care of the property behind her back yard for 15 years and has concerns about the safety of her kid or that they feel unsafe in their own home.

• Sue Henise commented that she has concerns about her property value should the park go through. Requested that the township send out a questionnaire to possibly get more information, ideas, input; noting that a lot of people cannot make the meetings.

Chairman Knight reported that the CSFES board met on June 23<sup>rd</sup> but were unable to discuss the budget as they intended, due to only one person from William Cameron Engine Company (WCEC) being present. The entire meeting was spent discussing the structure of the WCEC board; as one of the key board members recently passed away, the board president has not been involved in board matters for several months and the Fire Chief was on vacation. Chairman Knight reported that the WCEC board will be convening a meeting shorty to discuss reorganizing the board and making sure they are a little more responsive to the CSFES member municipalities that oversee the budget.

Vice-Chairman Gray reported that the pool and park are up and running and they still have openings for swimming lessons and camp. Vice Chairman Gray reported that the pool is open from 12:00 PM to 7:00 PM every day and the camp is an all-day activity getting lots of good reviews. Anyone needing these services can call the BVRA office.

Township Manager Helwig reported that the brush and yard waste has been completed for now and the next pickup is scheduled for September 12<sup>th</sup>. The Fall/Spring newsletter is completed and in review and tentatively scheduled to be mailed in mid-August. Township Manager Helwig reported that street paying started on Tuesday July 5th. Bull Run Crossing was completed on Saturday July 9th. The Linntown area and should be completed by end of the day July 11th. They will then move to Country Rd and go back to working on Pheasant Ridge Rd from there. The goal is to finish paving by July 15<sup>th</sup>. The same roads will be seal coated in August and completed by August 26<sup>th</sup>. Township Manager Helwig reported that work has started on the fuel island canopy. Footers have been dug and concrete poured which will need about 30 days to harden. Then they will be able to install the steel columns sometime around August 2<sup>nd</sup>. The canopy should be complete within 2 weeks after setting the columns. Township Manager Helwig reported that the Oxford Drive project is completed with the exception of the grass landscaping in certain areas which is not growing. Roadmaster Mohr has been in contact with the contractor, and it may need to be reseeded if it does not start growing within the next two weeks, which will be warranty work. A lot of the residents are happy with the roadwork that was done, Fairground Road Park is nearly complete. They are currently working on the park side laying out and installing the trails. We are still waiting for the steel ducout structures to be delivered. Once the asphalt plant on Rt 192 re-opens they will be able to pave the parking lot. Township Manager Helwig reported that that she received the letter from the Kiwanis Club of Buffalo Valley on the electronics recycling event. The collection date is scheduled for Saturday, August the 20th from 9:00 AM – 4 PM at the EBT Recycling Center of Fairground Rd and there is a fee schedule for acceptable items. An informational flyer will be posted on the township website and Facebook. A TextMyGov notification will be sent. Township Manager Helwig reported that SEO Jim Sanders turned in a letter stating that as of the end of the year he will be retiring. He will be willing to stay on as an assistant.

Secretary/Treasurer Boudman highlighted the major expenses paid out last month and major income received in last month as noted on the expenditures report for June 2022. Secretary/Treasurer Boudman presented the Supervisors a Budget vs Actual Expenses for the 1<sup>st</sup> half of the year for Utilities.

Chairman Knight reported that due to computer issues the BVRPD report for June 2022 was not available at the time of EBT Business meeting.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the Central Keystone Council of Governments (CKCOG) June 2022 report.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the June 27, 2022 work session meeting minutes as distributed. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the expenditures for June 2022 as presented.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans for Jolene Helwig, Township Manager, at the request of the Board of Supervisors, to submit an application and map to PennDOT for the Adopt & Beautify Agreement for planting trees along SR0045 in East Buffalo Township. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve placing an order for quantity of 30 bare root trees to be determined from Taylor Lightman to be placed along SR0045 for the Adopt & Beautify Agreement.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve McCormick Taylor as East Buffalo Township Traffic Engineering Consultant for the Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the agreement with the Union County Rail Trail Authority on the matching grant requirements and joint adherence to project implementation of agreement.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve Resolution 05-2022 to adopt a Personnel Manual to provide an employee policy regarding Longevity Pay shall be added to the East Buffalo Township Non-Medical Employee Benefits contained in the said Personnel Manual. To provide an employee policy regarding Compensatory Time in lieu of Overtime Pay shall be added to the East Buffalo Township Non-Medical Employee Benefits contained in the said Personnel Manual. To provide a revise employee policy regarding Sick Leave Payout upon retirement shall be added to the East Buffalo Township Non-Medical Employee Benefits contained in the said Personnel Manual. To provide a revise employee policy regarding Sick Leave Payout upon retirement shall be added to the East Buffalo Township Non-Medical Employee Benefits contained in the said Personnel Manual. Knight-y, Gray-n; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Chairman Knight updated the public on the previous discussions concerning Stein Lane. Chairman Knight asked if there were any additional comments from the public not asked during the public comment section of the meeting. The supervisors agreed to indefinitely table any further discussion of converting a portion of Stein Lane to one-way.

Chairman Knight updated the public on the previous discussions concerning Spruce Hill Park. Chairman Knight asked if there were any additional comments from the public not asked during the public comment section of the meeting.

For the second segment of public comments, the attendees were welcome to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

 Chris Benson (Daily Item) asked for clarification of the Kiwanis Club recycling of electronics, date and times and the Fall Newsletter mailing schedule.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to adjourn at 7:51 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretary

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Katie Evans, Supervisor

# NOTICE

The East Buffalo Township Board of Supervisors Public Work Session meeting scheduled for in-person or via the virtual meeting format on Monday, July 25, 2022, at 5:30 PM has been CANCELLED.

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The next public meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held Monday, August 8, 2022, at 5:30 PM. Visit ebtwp.org for information regarding meeting location.

POSTED: July 20, 2022

#### EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Public Business Meeting 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 August 8, 2022

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:31 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor Katie Evans; Solicitor Peter Matson; Zoning Officer Makenzie Stover; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Joyce Hudak; Lynn Hudak; Tina Prowant; Sue & Lamar Henise; Chuck & Donna Moore; Cathy Hoekman; Bridget Gallagher and William Moore.

Members of the public participating online: Diane Donato; Gary Griffith; Judith Marvin; and Nancy Steckel.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to make an amendment to the agenda to add an item under New Business regarding property acquisition. Knight -y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Chairman Knight announced that an Executive Session was held on Friday, July 29, 2022, at 9:00 AM, August 04, 2022, at 10:00 AM and an Informational Session was held on August 03, 2022, at 3:00.

For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics

- Chuck Moore asked what the outcome of all the discussions on Stein Lane and what is the plan moving forward. Chairman Knight stated that the update would be discussed during the Stein Lane portion of the agenda.
- Tina Prowant asked about the outcome of the speed bump meeting.
- Resident stated that Spruce Hills Park was not on the agenda but asked if it was going to be discussed. Chairman Knight responded that the supervisors have decided to send out a survey to all residents in the Spruce Hills area. Chairman Knight noted that they were finalizing the layout and would be going out in the mail as well as have an on-line option.
- Joyce and Lynn Hudak commented that they have noticed flying squirrels in the Spruce Hills Park area.

Chairman Knight reported that the CSFES board did not meet last month because the William Cameron Engine Company (WCEC) board had not meet yet, but they will be meeting this month. Chairman Knight reported that he will be working directly with Chief Blunt on the operating budget and then reviewing it with the CSFES board by the end of the month.

Vice-Chairman Gray reported that BVRA had lots of activity at the pool during July with all the hot weather. Vice Chairman Gray reported that the pool will remain open for as long as they can keep the lifeguard before school starts; which they are hoping will be late August; but those dates are not available yet. Vice Chairman Gray reported that BVRA is looking into having Doggie Dips at the end of the season once the pool is closed to people. More information will be available at a later date.

Supervisor Evans reported that after the July 12<sup>th</sup> regular meeting was cancelled due to computer issues, she attended the BVRPD meeting rescheduled for July 27<sup>th</sup>. Supervisor Evans reported that crime rate is down significantly. Supervisor Evans reported that she talked to the Chief about complaints that were brought up at the July 11<sup>th</sup> EBT Business Meeting concerning speed enforcement on Rt 45. One of the problems is that they are unable to catch speeders; police cars are unable to hide so traffic slows down upon seeing them. Supervisor Evans suggested using the unmarked cars to sit along Rt 45 to see if that would help.

Township Manager Helwig reported that the Fuel Island Canopy has been completed. Township Manager Helwig reported that road reconstruction work will begin on Buffalo Alley, and it will be closed for about a month while the work is being done. Information has been put on the website. Fairground Road Park is completed except for grass and tree planting and should be able to be opened to the public by next week. Township Manager Helwig reported that weather permitting Russel Standard are scheduled to begin the oil and chipping work on Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup> and they have until August 26<sup>th</sup> to be complete. The Kiwanis Club of Buffalo Valley/Lewisburg electronic recycling is scheduled for Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup> rain, or shine. A list of acceptable items and their cost will be posted to the website and there is a flyer circulating around. Township Manager reported that the 2022 Freightliner on order is on the final assembly line and is projected to be complete mid-September. Township Manager Helwig reported that Bucknell University will be having fireworks after their

football game on Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup> in honor of the 1<sup>st</sup> Responders. Vice Chairman Gray asked Township Manager Helwig about contacting the prison about getting help with the fall brush and yard waste cleanup.

Secretary/Treasurer Boudman highlighted the major expenses paid out last month and major income received last month, as noted on the expenditures report for July 2022. Secretary/Treasurer Boudman gave an update on the UGI supplier change. Chairman Knight requested that this be handled separately.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the June and July 2022 Buffalo Valley Regional Police Departments (BVRPD) Reports.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the Central Keystone Council of Governments (CKCOG) July 2022 report.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to recommend approval of the John and Sheila Bartol add-on subdivision.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the Moore Subdivision Plan with the following conditions; revise the ownership description and address of the general notes, obtain the signature of the county planning director, resolve the issue with the ownership signatures in regard to the trust. (Solicitor Matson to follow up with the Recorders Office and Zoning Office Stover as to what signatures are required.) Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the July 11, 2022 business meeting minutes as distributed.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the expenditures for July 2022 as presented. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to approve overhead streetlights at the following locations on Jefferson Avenue: between 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, between 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> Street, and at the intersection with 19<sup>th</sup> Street. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Chairman Knight to follow up with Citizens Electric about placing the streetlights at the 16<sup>th</sup> Street and 17<sup>th</sup> Street intersections, rather than mid block.

Motion by Vice Chairman seconded by Chairman Knight for Township Manager Helwig to submit a permit to PennDOT for a Trafficlogic Radar Sign and once approval has been received to order the 15" Trafficlogic Sign with data tracker software and stand, pricing as quoted +/- 10%. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Ordering of speed cushions on hold to gather more information. Jim to get with Roadmaster Mohr for more discussion.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve Resolution (05-2022) authorizing Township Manager Helwig to submit the grant application for the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) grant for construction of the Fairground Road Township Park Phase II and sign on behalf of the township. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to accept the McCormick Taylor scope of work and pricing proposal for the PennDOT Multimodal Transportation Fund for the traffic signal replacement at the intersection of State Route 45 and Fairground Road (SR2007) and for the Buffalo Valley Rail Trail Crossing Upgrade located on Fairground Road.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the operation of unPAved on Sunday, October 9, 2022.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to send a letter of support for the Union County Housing Authority application for \$500,000.00 DCED grant for the Union County Rehabilitation Home Investment Partnership Program.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve Resolution (07-2022) to name Rochelle Romeo Kane of Work to Live, LLC as the designee to contact the PennDOT TMC before and after the Triathlon. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion to have Solicitor Matson's office send a letter to PennDOT to obtain the parameters for an ordinance and then prepare a "Jake Break" ordinance regarding the procedures and requirements that were obtained from PennDOT. The ordinance will apply to West Market Street between S. R. 15 and Fairground Road. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans for Solicitor Matson's office to draft an agreement of sale to purchase the 78 acres at the corner of Supplee Mill Rd and Furnace Rd from the Lewisburg Alliance Church. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Public Meeting to be held on August 22, 2022 for input on purchase of 78 acres lot.

For the second segment of public comments, the attendees were welcome to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

• Resident asked about putting a screen or something over the drain on Oxford Drive to provide protection from little children. Township Manager Helwig to follow up with Roadmaster Mohr.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to enter into an Executive Session at 7:24 PM.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to exit from the Executive Session at 7:34 PM.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Supervisor Evans to adjourn at 7:34 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretary

ands nes Knight, Chairman

Katie Evans, Supervisor

#### EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORK SESSION 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 August 22, 2022

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:31 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor Katie Evans; Solicitor Jason Brudecki; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: John Del Vecchio; Suzanne & Paul Hardy; Jean Warren; Hank Baylor, Jr; Brian Lipinski; Chuck & Margaret Waggoner; Tina Prowant; Krysta Bitting; Shawn & Barb Derck; Jeff & Kathy Sprenkle; David Heayn; Kristofer Adams; Maribeth Thomas; Diane Donato; Heath Hansum; Geoff Goodenow; Sam & Sharon Ryder; Amy Griffith; Jan Reichard-Brown; Brian Auman; Tom Cassidy; Mike Hanyak; Dave Hafer; Chris Benson (The Daily Item) and Matt Farrand (Standard Journal).

Members of the public participating online: Becky Perez; Georganna Kresl; George Scurfield; Judith Marvin; Kathleen Friery; Kris Trego; Marion Marchiori; Molly McGuire; Nancy Steckel; Stephen Everson and Gary Griffith

Chairman Knight announced that the primary order of business was to talk about Turtle Creek Park and before taking public comments gave a background on the project.

For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics.

Hearing of Visitors:

- John Del Vecchio (Resident/County Planning and Economic Development) highlighted why we need parks in our area.
- Suzanne Hardy EBT resident asked what happens to the private land around the park and how do these residents feel about the park?
- Paul Hardy EBT resident asked why the park costs so much if its undevelopable?
- Jean Warren EBT resident asked how the township would pay for the maintenance and cleanup of the land. Also had concerns about dogs running loose, the liability on the township should something happen.
- Hank Baylor EBT resident wanted to know what the hurry was to purchase the property. Did the supervisors have a business plan?
- Brian Lipinski EBT resident in favor of the park and suggested have a waiver for volunteers to sign who help with the park.
- Vance Waggoner strongly supports the park and as a lawyer does not feel that township liability should be an issue.
- Margaret Waggoner EBT resident is a fan of the park and does not feel dogs off a leash would be a problem if the owners are responsible.
- Tina Prowant EBT resident asked if the township had considered sending out a survey and when the appraisal was done.
- Krista Bitting EBT resident in favor of the park and utilized the park in the past to walk/run her dog.
- Shawn Derck EBT resident stated that he is in favor of the park.
- Kathy Sprenkle EBT resident lives across the street from the park and has concerns about illegal activity that currently goes on and feels someone needs to monitor the park.
- Jeff Sprenkle EBT resident also has concerns about illegal activity that they have seen and stated that there is a drainage issue in the parking lot that would need to be addressed.
- David Heayn Lewisburg Borough Council stated that the township is not a business, should not be run as a business and is not profit generating. Investments are for the benefit of the people and for the long-term future of the community. Willing to help get support letters for the park and volunteers to help with the park.
- Kristofer Adams EBT resident said he is for the park and sees it as a positive for the community.
- Maribeth Thomas EBT resident questioned where the business plan was and if there will there be ongoing funds to maintain the park. Was there a contingency in the purchase agreement based on getting grant funds. She also felt the unleased dogs should have a separate area.

- Diane Donato EBT resident stated that she is in favor of the park and keeping it as open space.
- Heath Hansum EBT resident is in favor of the park and was part of keeping the maintenance up in the past and feels its important to have and keep open land. He had concerns about someone else purchasing it and closing the park down.
- Geoff Goodenow EBT resident stated he is for the park; it offers a variety of habitat, and we need more open space.
- Sam Ryder EBT resident stated that he is in favor of the park.
- Amy Griffith EBT resident stated she is in favor of the park; concerned about how little there is of open space. In favor of the township having a management plan and enforcement is necessary. Also, in favor of having a volunteer group to help with maintenance and cleanup of the park area.
- Jan Reichard-Brown EBT resident stated that it is in the best interest of the community/township to purchase the park land.
- Brian Auman EBT resident is in favor of the park and most people want to walk, hike and bike off road where it is safer and there would be volunteers to help keep the trails open.
- Tom Cassidy EBT resident stated the park is an excellent opportunity for the community.
- Dave Hafer EBT resident stated it is a great area for habitat and is in favor of the purchase and preserving the area.
- An Unidentified resident said he was in agreement with what Dave Hafer and in favor of the park.
- Kris Trego EBT resident stated that there were great benefits to the purchase of the park, and it
  would be a valuable investment. Historically it has been used for good not issues.
- Lawson Fetterman EBT resident asked, from a Public Works perspective, the Supervisors to consider, if possible, an area of the Turtle Creek Park to be used as a place to take the brush and yard waste materials in the future. The property that is currently being used is private and may not be available in the future. He also noted that the materials could be made into mulch to be utilized on park trails.

Of those who attended, both in person and on-line, 19 said they were in favor of the purchase of the park; three (3) said they were not and 15 had questions but were undecided or had no comments either way.

Chairman Knight reported that the CSFES board will meet on Thursday, August 25, 2022 to discuss the budget.

Vice Chairman Gray reported that the pool closed early this year; on Sunday, August 21, 2022, due to recent rains and lifeguards were no longer available.

Township Manager Helwig reported that she sent out 40 surveys for the "Trees Along Rt 45" project and 117 surveys for the "Spruce Hills Park" project.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the August 8, 2022 business meeting minutes as distributed.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to amend the 2022 East Buffalo Township General Fund Annual Budget to include the purchase of the Lewisburg Alliance Church property (Turtle Creek Park) in the amount of \$954,750. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the purchase of the Lewisburg Alliance Church property (Turtle Creek Park). Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the language of the agreement of sale for the Lewisburg Alliance Church property (Turtle Creek Park). Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Solicitor Brudecki mentioned PennDOT's Engineering Division received the township letter regarding the jake break retarder noise. Within the next two weeks one of their engineers will be out to look at the site but they do not anticipate any issues. Once they hear back from the engineer all the criteria will be satisfied and we should have PennDOT's blessing.

For the second segment of public comments, the attendees were welcome to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

Public Comments.

• Chris Bensen (The Daily Item) asked for clarification on the budget amendment motion and the appraisal figures.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to adjourn at 8:13 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretary

James Knight, Chairman

Char Gray, Vice Chairman

Katie Evans, Supervisor

#### EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Public Business Meeting 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 September 12, 2022

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:36 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor Katie Evans; Solicitor Peter Matson; Zoning Officer Makenzie Stover; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Joyce Hudak; Lynn Hudak; Tina Prowant; Sue & Lamar Henise; Ashley Hetnik (Larson Design Group) and Chris Benson (Daily Item).

Chairman Knight announced that an Executive Session was held on Friday, August 12, 2022, September 5, 2022, and on September 12, 2022.

For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics

- Tina Prowant asked about the volunteers for 2023 were for the park. Chairman Knight responded that they were for our regular board volunteers for the Planning Commission, LAJSA, ext.
- Joyce and Lynn Hudak commented that they did not mention the flying squirrels in the Spruce Hills Park area as stated in the August 8, 2022 Board of Supervisors Public Business Meeting Minutes and asked that the minutes be corrected.

Chairman Knight reported that the CSFES board meet on August 22, 2022 and are still discussing the budget and are close to having a final budget. Chairman Knight reported that he has been mentioning for some time that the municipal contribution, especially for East Buffalo Township would have to go up significantly because contributions are based on population and the population has increased. Due to the increased population and a requirement of the original agreement between East Buffalo Township, Kelly Township and Lewisburg Borough, that has not been done to date, we are now going to have to fund the Capital Reserve Fund. Chairman Knight reported that the combination of these two items will require East Buffalo Township's municipal contribution go up 80%. Chairman Knight noted he thought that part of the contribution could come from reserve funds but that there will be an increase in the fire tax; possible 20%, going from .45 mils to .50 mils (+/-) but the amount will have to be looked into. Chairman Knight reported that if the fire tax is increased more than 10% it has to be approved by all three municipalities.

Township Manager Helwig reported that brush and yard waste pickup started today but the chipper had a major breakdown requiring us to borrow a mini chipper from Union Township which is causing us to have to slow down. If the chipper cannot be fixed locally, they will need to take it out of the area and there are still no guarantees that it can be fixed. Township Manager Helwig reported that weather permitting line painting will begin tomorrow. Township Manager Helwig reported that there was a walk-thru with Ann from YSM and Frank from Bower and Fairground Road Park will open on October 1, 2022. There are a few items that will not be completed this year but will get finished next year, one of which is the final paving, sealing, and painting of the parking lot due to a PPL project taking place next year. Township Manager Helwig talked with Roadmaster Mohr concerning the storm water pipe issue on Andrew's Court. Roadmaster Mohr got pricing on grates at \$1,250.00 per grate and they would need to be installed at both ends of the pipe that are sticking out. Township Manager Helwig reported that there are similar pipes in other areas of the township without grates and this is the standard storm water pipe used for all driveways and stormwater projects within the township and there are no other issues. Vice Chairman Gray questioned whether installing the grates would create bigger issues such as clogged drains. Township Manager Helwig confirmed that is what will happen and require the road crew to continually have to check the drains and clean out as necessary. Township Manager Helwig reported that she was contacted by Pat Marrow of the Kawana's Club of the Buffalo Valley/Lewisburg region who would like to hold another recycling event at the township building due to the success of the previous event, making \$1,700.00. The tentative date would be Wednesday, December 28, 2022. Due to an increased number of calls from residents asking where they could take recyclable items not collected by the township, Secretary/Treasurer Boudman reached out to Union County Recycling and was given information on the Hands Up Foundation. Their information will be posted to the website. Township Manager Helwig reported that she received an email from Chief Blunt from WCFC saying he was approached by a resident to have an open burn of a structural building located at 3398 Smoketown Road. He was asking for a letter of support from the township authorizing the burn and to use it a training exercise. The burn will be held on for September 25, 2022 starting at 8:00 AM and they are hoping to be complete by 5:00 PM. They will close Smoketown Road from Fairfield Road to Valley View Road while they are conducting the burn and will make arrangements to have all the debris cleaned up afterwards. Township Manager Helwig reported that she received a letter from PennDOT concerning the trees on Rt. 45. PennDOT has

reviewed the application and they are denying the tree planting. Vice Chairman Gray questioned why it was denied and, in the letter, it states that they are denying planting the trees because the area between the sidewalk and curb is limited and in the PennDOT ROW and the department does not approve planting in this area. The trees will negatively impact the visibility of existing and future roadways, signs and the limbs will most likely grow into the roadway. Vice Chairman Gray stated that she wants to appeal this decision which was agreed upon by Chairman Knight and Supervisor Evans. Township Manager Helwig reported that she received an invitation from the Union County Conservation District inviting the Supervisor, the Public Works Department, and the Township office to their annual awards banquet on Tuesday, October 4, 2022 at the Union County Resource Center beginning at 6:00 PM. The township will be receiving some type of award. Township Manager reported that she has the 2023 Health Care rates, and the supervisors are welcome to sit in on a meeting tomorrow morning at 8:30 AM, via Zoom, with Amber from Kluge Insurance with the employees.

Secretary/Treasurer Boudman highlighted the major expenses paid out last month and major income received last month.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the August 2022 Buffalo Valley Regional Police Departments (BVRPD) Reports.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the Central Keystone Council of Governments (CKCOG) August 2022 report.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to amend the August 8, 2022 Board of Supervisors Public Business Meeting Minutes to change the resident name from Joyce and Lynn Hudak to Bridget Gallagher, under public comments section about flying squirrels in the Spruce Hills area. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to recommend approval of Bucknell West Student Housing Project Final Land Development Plan. Knight-abstained; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to recommend approval of the Vito Mazzamuto Minor Addon Subdivision Plan.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the August 22, 2022, Supervisors Work Session meeting minutes as distributed.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the expenditures for August 2022 as presented. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to approve the Amended 2022 Budget with General Fund revenue balance ending \$4,796,366 and the amended General Fund expenditure balance ending \$2,119,272. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

The Board of Supervisors agreed to review the Spruce Hill Park surveys and table discussion until the October meeting.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve signing the Indemnification Agreement between the Township and unPAved.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to appoint Shirl Barnhart to serve a term on the Board of Trustees from January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2025, as the PSATS Unemployment Compensation Group Trust Trustees.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

The Board of Supervisors announced they were seeking volunteer applications for the open 2023 Authorities, Boards, Commission and Committees positions for East Buffalo Township. All volunteer applications will be reviewed and voted on at the January 3, 2023, Reorganizational Meeting.

For the second segment of public comments, the attendees were welcome to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

• Tina Prowant asked the supervisors to look into the ordinance concerning having chickens within the township. Chairman Knight will get with Zoning.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to enter into an Executive Session at 7:06 PM.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to exit from the Executive Session at 7:35 PM.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to adjourn at 7:35 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretary

James Knight, Chairmar

Char Gray, Vice Chairman

Katie Evans, Supervisor

# NOTICE

The East Buffalo Township Board of Supervisors Public Work Session meeting scheduled for in-person or via the virtual meeting format on Monday, September 26, 2022, at 5:30 PM has been CANCELLED.

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The next public meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held Monday, October 10, 2022, at 5:30 PM. Visit ebtwp.org for information regarding meeting location.

POSTED: September 20, 2022

#### EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Public Business Meeting 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 October 10, 2022

Vice Chairman Gray called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight (via Zoom); Vice Chairman Char Gray; Solicitor Peter Matson; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Tina Prowant & Justin Strawser (The Daily Item).

Members of the public participating online: Fred Warren

Vice Chairman Gray announced that an Executive Session was held on Wednesday, September 28, 2022 @ 2:00 PM for personnel matters and on Thursday, September 29, 2022 @ 10:00 AM for DCNR Information.

Vice Chairman Gray called a public hearing to order at 5:36 PM to consider the adoption of an ordinance declaring the operation of an engine brake installation upon or in a gasoline powered or diesel powered motor vehicle not equipped with exhaust mufflers or equipped with inoperable or modified exhaust mufflers so as to permit the creation of excessive noise through the employment of said engine brake to be a nuisance in fact; establishing penalties for the violation of said ordinance and establishing exceptions to the enforcement of said ordinance in emergency situations.

There were no public comments.

Vice Chairman Gray closed the public hearing at 5:41PM.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to adopt Ordinance 408 declaring the operation of an engine brake installation upon or in a gasoline powered or diesel powered motor vehicle not equipped with exhaust mufflers or equipped with inoperable or modified exhaust mufflers so as to permit the creation of excessive noise through the employment of said engine brake to be a nuisance in fact; establishing penalties for the violation of said ordinance and establishing exceptions to the enforcement of said ordinance in emergency situations. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-absent; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to have Solicitor Matson to prepare a draft ordinance amending Ordinance 408 to include the westbound lane of SR0045 from Market Street to Fairground Park Road and the northbound lane of SR0045 from Hillcrest Lane to Monroe Avenue. Knight-y, Gray-y, Evans-absent.

For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics

• Tina Prowant asked about the date and time for Halloween within the township. Expressed concern on having Halloween until 9:00 at night and why it could not be the same night as Lewisburg Borough. Tina asked about putting a streetlight at the corner of 18<sup>th</sup> Street and Jefferson Ave. Chairman Knight responded that there would be a light put at the corner of 19<sup>th</sup> Street and we would see how that works out. Tina asked about an update on the issue with having chickens within the township. Chairman Knight responded that Zoning Office Stover issued a violation, and the chickens have to be removed. Additionally, Zoning Office Stover is working with the Planning Commission on cleaning up the zoning ordinance, partially providing what is considered livestock vs what is a pet.

Chairman Knight reported that the CSFES board approved the budget and there are some increases due to needing equipment purchases and facilities improvements. Chairman Knight reported that \$250,000.00 in ARPA funds was received and already budgeted for purchasing a new ambulance. Chairman Knight reported that he will provide more details at the October 24, 2022 Public Work Sesson.

Vice Chairman Gray reported the BVRA did receive a 225,000.00 grant from the county from the ARPA Fund. The first project will be resurfacing the pool, which is planned for the Spring of 2023 before the pool opens. Vice Chairman Gray reported that the funds must be used by the end of December 2024 so the other item the funds will be used for is the resurfacing of the Tennis Courts. The contractor that looked at them thought they would be ok through 2023 so that project will not be started until 2024 which will hopefully lower the cost of the project allowing other projects to get done. Vice Chairman Gray reported that BVRA has completed their draft budget for 2023 which is about \$823,000.00 which is

lower that previous pre-COVID budgets of \$1,000,000.00. Vice Chairman Gray reported that the BVRPD meeting will be Wednesday, October 12, 2022 and the police report is listed on their website.

Township Manager Helwig reported that today was the last round for brush and yard waste pickup for this year. The crew will make one round throughout the township before starting with the leaf pickup which was scheduled to start today with the final collection around the 1st week of December, weather permitting. Township Manager Helwig reported that the Fairground Road Park is open and asks the public to be respectful in keeping the park trails and grass areas cleaned and picked up noting, that receptacles are provided for both trash and animal waste. Township Manager Helwig reported that the Susquehanna Valley Ethics Society will be having a food drive at the Township Building parking lot on Saturday, October 22,2022 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Rain date will be October 29, 2022. Township Manager Helwig reported that she meet with Roadmaster Mohr and Assistant Roadmaster Fisher to review the lawn care service package requirements. Some changes were made and its now ready for advertisement to receive quotes for the 2023 budget contract. Township Manager Helwig reported that Alpha Space will be in the area on Tuesday and Wednesday night doing the thermal lines, arrows, and additional items we asked them to do. Township Manager Helwig reported that Stahl Shaffer and TRA Electric, Inc have completed the survey markings in the SR 0045 and Fairground Road for the Multimodal Traffic Light / Rail Trail Light Project. Township Manager Helwig reported that the new truck replacing the one in the February 2021 accident is ready and is scheduled to be delivered within the next week. Township Manager Helwig reported that The 1994 Charles B. Degenstein Foundation dropped off a check today in the amount of \$300,000.00 to be used to purchase the Turtle Creek Park Property, with the restriction that the property must be put in a conservancy easement.

Secretary/Treasurer Boudman highlighted the major expenses paid out last month and major income received last month.

Vice Chairman Gray acknowledged Board receipt of the September 2022 Buffalo Valley Regional Police Departments (BVRPD) Reports.

Vice Chairman Gray acknowledged Board receipt of the Central Keystone Council of Governments (CKCOG) September 2022 report.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to recommend approval of the Minor Subdivision Plan for the Property of Esther P. Herman with a conditional approval that will serve letter for utilities are needed. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-absent; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to approve the expenditures for September 2022 as presented. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-absent; Motion Carried

The Board of Supervisors agreed to table the discussion on Spruce Hill Park Survey until a later date.

The Board of Supervisors agreed to table the discussion on Fairground Road Phase II Grant and Project Budget until a later date.

The Board of Supervisors agreed to schedule a meeting with PennDOT on Thursday, October 13, 2022 to continue the discussion on the Market Street Trees.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to approve overhead streetlights at the following locations, the corner of Jefferson Avenue & 16th Street, the corner of Jefferson Avenue & 17th Street and the corner of Jefferson Avenue & 19th Street.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-absent; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to approve Resolution 08-2022 to select Turtle Creek as the priority park acquisition project and authorize the Township Chairman to apply for the DCNR-C2P@ grant for acquisition. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-absent; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to establishing Halloween Trick or Treating hours in East Buffalo Township for Monday, October 31, 2022, from 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-absent; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to approve the December 1, 2022, through November 30, 2023, Capital Blue Cross Group plans for medical, Prescription and vision insurance.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-absent; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to approve the AmFirst GAP insurance renewal for December 1, 2022 through November 30, 2023. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-absent; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to approve the United Concordia insurance renewal for renewal for December 1, 2022 through November 30, 2023. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-absent; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to maintain the employee contribution for all benefits (medical, vision, dental & gap) at 7% for calendar year 2023. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-absent; Motion Carried

Motion to approve Resolution 09-2022 Act 57 of 2022, amending he Local Tax Collection Law, signed by Governor Wolf on July 11, 2022 and takes effect to October 10, 2022; and Act 57 requires taxing districts that impose taxes on the assessed value of real property to adopt a Resolution or Ordinance within 90 days of the effective date of this Act, or not later than January 9, 2023, directing the tax collector to waive additional charges for real estate in certain situations. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-absent; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to authorize Solicitor Matson to make the changes as discussed and forward it to the Buffalo Balley Recreation Authority Board for review and to increase EBT's current contribution from 2% to 3% for budget year 2023. Final one (1) year agreement to be considered at the November Board of Supervisors meeting.

Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-absent; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to accept James A. Sanders resignation as East Buffalo Township Sewer Enforcement Officer effective October 1, 2022.

For the second segment of public comments, the attendees were welcome to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

There were no public comments.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to enter into an Executive Session at 7:14 PM.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Chairman Knight to exit from the Executive Session at 7:36 PM.

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Chairman Knight to adjourn at 7:36 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretar

Knight, Chair

Katie Evans, Supervisor

#### EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORK SESSION 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 October 24, 2022

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:31 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor Katie Evans; Solicitor Peter Matson; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Tina Prowant, Nancy Steckel, Taylor Lightman and Wayne Hoover (EBT Animal Enforcement Officer).

No members of the public participating online.

Chairman Knight announced that an Executive Session was held on Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup> for legal matters and Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup> for informational matters.

For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics.

Hearing of Visitors:

- Wayne Hoover, Animal Enforcement Officer for East Buffalo Township and Borough of Lewisburg, announced that as of a letter received on October 13, 2022 the Lewisburg Veterinary Hospital will no longer provide euthanasia services for feral cats. This presents a problem of what to do about the feral cats within the township and borough. Not only are there a lot of feral cats but there is also the concern about the diseases they carry as they are unvaccinated. Going forward he will no longer be trapping cats, with the exception of domestic cats that can/will be returned to the owner. Wayne stated he will be strongly enforcing the outdoor feeding ordinance currently in place, issuing citations in lieu of warnings. Wayne said that he will contact two other Veterinary Hospitals that he is aware of to see if they are willing to provide this service and do some additional leg work on where to go from here. He will report back to the board with an update as soon as he has one.
- Tina Prowant asked if the feral cat issue was something the Supervisors were going to work on ASAP to keep the cats partially under control. Chairman Knight responded that they would let Wayne handle for now.

Vice Chairman Gray reported that there was a Buffalo Valley Regional Police Commission Work Session meeting on Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup> to review the budget and a BVRA meeting on Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the October 10, 2022 business meeting minutes as distributed.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-abstained; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to move the planting of trees on SR45 to the Fairground Road Municipal Building. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the CSFES 2023 Budget. The Fire Protection millage rate will be determined as part of the overall budget process in November and December. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to have Chairman Knight submit the final DCNR Grant application for the acquisition of the Turtle Creek Park property. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

For the second segment of public comments, the attendees were welcome to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

Public Comments.

Tina Prowant asked if the BVRPD Budget meeting on Wednesday, October 26th was open for • everyone. Vice Chairman Gray responded that the meeting was a work session, so it was open for everyone. Tina asked Vice Chairman Gray to inquire about the police department purchasing the piece of equipment needed to measure the decimals for the noise ordinance just passed. Vice Chairman Gray said that she would bring it up.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to adjourn at 7:49 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretary

James C Hurf

Char Gray, Vice Chairman

Katie Evans, Supervisor

#### EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORK SESSION 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 November 14, 2022

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor Katie Evans; Solicitor Peter Matson; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Tina Prowant, Chuck & Donna Moore, Justin Strawser (The Daily Item) and Jim Diehl (Standard Journal)

No members of the public participating online.

Chairman Knight announced that an Executive Session was held on Monday, October 31st for legal matters.

For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics.

Hearing of Visitors:

- Chuck Moore asked for an update on Stein Lane. Chairman Knight responded that the township received approval today for the speed sign. Township Manager Helwig reported that after some delays with the painting crew they were out today to start the sign painting on roads as specified. Chuck Moore asked if the conversation happened with Roadmaster Mohr concerning the speed cushions. Chairman Knight reported that he did have a conversation with Roadmaster Mohr, and he has not changed his mind on installing the speed cushions, but a follow up conversation may take place in the spring. Vice Chairman Gray reported that she had been in contact with two other townships that use speed cushions, and they lean toward permanent speed cushions rather than removable ones. Vice Chairman Gray noted that if the speed cushions were going to be left down all the time the permanent ones may be the better option. Chuck Moore stated that in his research it is not a law that road signs need to be moved around once they are put up.
- Tina Prowant commented on the Speed Counters that were placed around the area where random surface street count and were placed there by PennDOT.

Chairman Knight stated that the township had the Real Estate closing on the purchase of Turtle Creek Park property. Chairman Knight thanked Vice Chairman Gray for all her work with the Lewisburg Alliance Church on the purchasing of the property and the DCNR grant. Chairman Knight also thanked Vice Chairman Gray and Supervisor Evans for all the work they are doing with the Linn Conservancy on the conservation easement. Chairman Knight reported that the CSFES met on November 4<sup>th</sup> and they have found a used ambulance that they may purchase which would delay the purchasing of a new one which would also help toward their capital budgeting.

Vice Chairman Gray read a letter that she wrote in response to PennDOT in not allowing the township to plant trees along Market Street. Chairman Knight reported that the trees were planted around the township property on Fairground Road and at Fairground Road Park. Vice Chairman Gray reported that the contractor doing the pool renovations will be able to start this fall weather permitting and whatever work doesn't get done this fall will get done next spring with an anticipated finish before the pool is scheduled to open Memorial Day weekend.

Supervisor Evans reported on the Buffalo Valley Regional Police meeting held last week. Supervisor Evans reported that the crime rate is down for October compared to last year. Supervisor Evans reported that they reviewed the preliminary budget and the one area for a budget increase is for outside council due to labor contracts being up and the need for negotiations. Supervisor Evans reported that there was discussion on the need for a performance review process which would include professional development.

Township Manager Helwig reported that the township 2021 audit has been completed and we are just waiting for the final paperwork so it can be posted and distributed. Township Manager Helwig reported that Patrick from Citizens Electric received a call from a citizen on Lowe Street who is requesting a streetlight

at the intersection of Fairfield Road, Villa Vista Road, and Lowe Street. If there is not a pole at the intersection that they can connect to one will need to be installed and charged to the township for three years so it would need board approval. If it is not approved the citizen would be responsible for the pole and connection. Patrick was going to call the citizen back and explain this process and get back to us. Township Manager Helwig reported that the township crew just started the second round of leaves this week. Due to the volume of leaves, it is taking longer than usual and is a slow process. Leaf pickup will continue as weather permits through the week of December 5th.

Secretary/Treasurer Boudman highlighted the major expenses paid out and major income received last month.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the October 2022 Buffalo Valley Regional Police Departments (BVRPD) Reports.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the Central Keystone Council of Governments (CKCOG) October 2022 Reports.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to recommend approval of the Minor Add-on Subdivision Plan for the Debra H. Webb & Scott E. Henninger. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to recommend approval of the Final Lot Consolidation and Stormwater Plan for the Quinones Tennis Court Project conditional on receiving the financial guarantee agreement, the stormwater maintenance agreement, and the township engineer approval letter.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to approve the October 24, 2022, Supervisors work session meeting minutes as distributed. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the expenditures for October 2022 as presented.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the Buffalo Valley Recreation Authority (BVRA) Agreement to increase East Buffalo Township's current contribution from two percent (2%) to three percent (3%) and to extend the agreement for three (3) years. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve Resolution (10-2022) acknowledging the name White Tail Drive as a new private road in East Buffalo Township. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray and seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the first reading and authorize the publication of the proposed 2023 draft budget with General Fund millage of 3.7%; Fire Fund millage of .5%; Street Light millage of .05%; and Fire Hydrant millage of .06%. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans authorizing the Township Manager and Township Roadmaster to purchase a Maxxum Tractor from Zimmerman Farm Service, Inc at the cost of \$195,000.00.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans authoring the Township Manager and Township Roadmaster to purchase a Bomford front mount Raptor 2000/78", right hand offset berm mower, 6' roller, MP44 Flails at the cost of \$24,270.00.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to convene the 2023 annual organization meeting at 5:00 PM on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, with the business meeting commencing immediately following the organization meeting.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

The Good of the Order

- Township Manager Helwig reported that Kyle from USDA Wildlife Services would like to come in January to capture, tag and remove the ducks at Fairground Road Park.
- Township Manager Helwig reported on the agreement prepared by Solicitor Matson with William Cameron Engine Company (WCEC) allowing them to utilize one of the fuel pumps located at the Public Works Garage. Chief Blunt will provide a list of authorized vehicles and a list of employees.
- Township Manager Helwig reported that requests have been sent out for fertilizer and weed control and lawn care for at the township building, football field, baseball field, the pond area, Equestrian Lane, Stein Lane & College Park. Township Manager Helwig asked if Spruce Hills and Turtle Creek Park were to be included. Supervisors agreed to have Spruce Hills Park and Turtle Creek Park included as separate items with the work to be decided on once the pricing came in.
- Township Manager Helwig reported that bid notices are out for the stone, asphalt, gas and diesel fuel for 2023, and a certified public accountant for the 2022 Audit.
- Township Manager Helwig reported that press notices will go out tomorrow announcing the first reading and posting the first draft of the 2023 budget and reorganizational meeting.
- Vice Chairman reported that we needed to get the response letter out to Trout Unlimited changing the draft copy to take out the ADA compliance sentence. Vice Chairman Gray stated that after talking with Bill Snyder from Trout Unlimited they do not make there fishing spots ADA compliant and noted that the Fish and Wildlife approved the plans and these areas do not need to be ADA complaint. Solicitor Matson stated that he would revise the letter and get it out tomorrow.
- Township Manager Helwig reported that Solicitor Matson prepared a Declaration of Easement letter to be sent to the Nicholas family regarding the removal of vegetation along their property abutting the Rail Trail as part of the Multi-Modal project. Solicitor Matson will send the letter to the Nicholas family for their approval before having it signed.

For the second segment of public comments, the attendees were welcome to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

Public Comments.

- Tina Prowant asked if there would be a sidewalk going down to the creek at Turtle Creek Park. Vice Chairman Gray said no it would not go that far and noted that the slope of the land would not allow for it. HRG is designing a crushed gravel path from the entrance of the park up through some of the flat area, totaling about a half mile trail.
- Jim Diehl asked for clarification on budget items and the planting of trees on Market Street.
- Justin Strawser asked for clarification on budget items.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to enter into an Executive Session at 7:57 PM.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to exit from the Executive Session at 8:10 PM.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to adjourn at 8:10 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretary

James Knight, Chairman

Char Gray, Vice Chairman

Katus Evener Katie Evans, Supervisor

#### EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORK SESSION 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 November 29, 2022

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor Katie Evans; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Tina Prowant.

No members of the public participating online.

For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics.

There was no Hearing of Visitors.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the November 14, 2022 business meeting minutes as distributed. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the second reading of the proposed 2023 budget with General Fund millage of 3.7, Fire Fund millage of 0.5, Street Light millage of 0.05, and Fire Hydrant millage of 0.06. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the Commonwealth and Municipal Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation (PennDOT) and East Buffalo Township. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve Resolution (11-2022) acknowledging the Township Manager to be authorized and directed to submit the Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement, to submit future modifications to the attached Traffic Signal Maintenance agreement and to submit future Applications for Traffic Signal Approval either in writing or via electronic signature to the Department of Transportation and to sign this Agreement on behalf of East Buffalo Township.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

The Good of the Order:

• Vice Chairman Gray stated that she would like an explanation and follow up from Roadmaster Mohr concerning the townships policy and procedures in regard to stormwater runoff that flows onto residents' property; in particular Jeff Sprenkle's property located at 1278 Furnace Road, Lewisburg.

For the second segment of public comments, the attendees were welcome to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

There were no Public Comments.

Motion by Chairman Knight and seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to adjourn at 7:10 PM.

nor Gayle Boudman, Secretary

James Knight, Chairman James Knight, Chairman Char Gray, Vice Chairman

Katie Evans, Supervisor

#### EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING 589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837 December 12, 2022

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Char Gray; Supervisor Katie Evans; Township Manager Jolene Helwig; Township Solicitor Peter Matson and Secretary/Treasurer Gayle Boudman.

Members of the public participating in-person: Tina Prowant, Scott Weiser, Cody Stevens, Dawn Moore, Erin DeSantis (Scout Troup 521), Brian Auman, Chris DeSantis, Priscilla Waggoner, Justin Strawser (The Daily Item) and Jim Diehl (The Standard Journal).

Members of the public participating online: Jean Powell-Warren, John Di Leonardo (Humane Long Island and Duck Defenders), Kay Lerriero, and Jonathan Weber.

Chairman Knight announced that an Executive Session was held on Wednesday, December 7, 2022 at 9:00 AM to discuss legal matters and on Monday, December 12, 2022 at 5:00 PM to discuss personnel matters.

For this segment of public comment, attendees were asked to limit comments on agenda topics.

Hearing of Visitors.

 Tina Prowant asked what the board's decision was on the shield that was put on the streetlight located at Jefferson & 17<sup>th</sup> Streets. Chairman Knight reported that after checking out the area it was determined that the streets were not adequately lighted with the shield on and would have Citizen's Electric remove it.

Chairman Knight reported that the CSFES board was scheduled to meet on Thursday, December 15, 2022.

Vice Chairman Gray reported that BVRA and Buffalo Valley Regional Police Department (BVRPD) were scheduled to meet on Wednesday, December 14, 2022.

Township Manager Helwig reported that the residential fall leaf collection has been completed and the crew is now working on clearing out the ditches within the township. Township Manager Helwig reported that the Kiwanis Club of Buffalo Valley/Lewisburg will be hosting another electronic recycling collection at the Township Building on Wednesday, December 28, 2022 from 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM. The list of items they will be collecting, and the fee schedule will be posted to the township website. Township Manager Helwig reported that on Friday, December 9, 2022 the township chipper was picked up and the rental chipper was returned. The cost to the township for this was \$15,309.00 for the rental and \$3,803.56 for the repair. Township Manager Helwig reported that Warren Zimmerman has decided not to continue serving on the East Buffalo Township Planning Commission. Anyone interested in applying for this position should stop at the township building and fill out an application.

Secretary/Treasurer Boudman highlighted the major expenses paid out last month and major income received last month.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the November 2022 Buffalo Valley Regional Police Departments (BVRPD) Reports.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the Central Keystone Council of Governments (CKCOG) November 2022 report.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the November 29, 2022 Supervisors work session meeting minutes as distributed. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairman Gray seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the expenditures for November 2022 as presented. Knight-y; Gray-y; Evans-absent; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to adopt Resolution (12-2022) for the 2023 Budget noting the following: General Fund Revenues are projected at \$5,215,924.00; General Fund Expenses are projected at \$5,911,029.00; General Fund tax rate is 3.7 mill for all non-exempt properties, resulting in a \$3.70 tax per \$1,000 of assessed value; Fire Protection tax rate is 0.50 mill for all nonexempt properties, resulting in a \$0.50 tax per \$1,000 of assessed value; Fire Hydrants tax rate is 0.06 mill for all non-exempt properties, resulting in a \$0.06 tax per \$1,000 of assessed value; and Street Light tax rate is 0.05 mill for all non-exempt properties, resulting in a \$0.05 tax per \$1,000 of assessed value. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to accept the bid from, Beck & Platt Fuels, Inc for the 87 Ethanol Free Gas at a cost of daily rack posting plus \$0.17 per gallon and for ULSD-B2 Diesel at a cost of daily rack posting plus \$0.13 per gallon and \$0.02 per gallon for winterization. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to accept the aggregate/asphalt bid from New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co., Inc for item 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12, & 13, subject to availability and quality.

Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to accept the aggregate bid from Hanson Aggregates Pennsylvania, LLC for item 3, 4, 7, & 8, subject to availability and quality. Knight-y, Gray-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion for a streetlight at Fairfield and Lowes Streets was tabled. Township Manager Helwig is to reach out to other area residents to see if there is other interest in having, or not having, the streetlight at this location.

Motion for Essex Place Associates Tax Appeal was tabled to do further research.

The Good of the Order:

• Township Manager Helwig reported that Wayne Hoover has reached out to Williamsport Veterinarian Clinic, and they are not interested in taking on the treatment of feral cats. He will continue to search for a solution.

For the second segment of public comments, the attendees were welcome to comment on matters discussed during the meeting or topics not appearing on the agenda.

Public Comments:

- John Di Leonardo, President, and Executive Director of Humane Long Island & Duck Defenders explained the background of his organization and how it rescues and rehomes domestic ducks that have been abandoned in the wild. His organization will be working with the USDA in rehoming the domestic ducks located at Fairground Road Park after Kyle Van Why, USDA, has completed his capture, testing, and tagging of the ducks. In addition to the rehoming of the current domestic ducks located at the park he will work with the township to place signs in the area to educate the public on the problems with abandoning domestic ducks.
- Brian Auman explained his past work with Bucknell University on the elevated levels of bacteria found through water quality testing done on the water at Bull Run, which is a serious threat to human health. It is possible through further DNA testing to trace the source of the bacteria, which is thought to be coming from large population of ducks in the area. Brian Auman also recommended that BVRA look into having a management strategy for the St Mary's Park area in to educate and discourage the public from feeding the ducks, making it illegal and issuing fines. Vice Chairman Gray commented that she will follow up on this.

- Scott Weiser asked if there was a storm water project scheduled for Keila Ave. He lives at 74 Brook Drive and his concern is how this project will affect his property as it currently carries quite a bit of the water from this area. In particular where does the responsibility start and/or end once it goes past the township right of way. Does the water flow then become the property owners' issue? Township Manager Helwig responded that Roadmaster Mohr is looking at the water issues of the whole development and will have him get in contact with Scott Weiser to address his concerns. Scott Weiser commented that due to the damage and expenses the township has with the chipper he feels the township should look into abolishing the brush pickup. His feeling is the brush pickup is being abused by residents. Township Manager Helwig replied that with the size of East Buffalo Township's population we have to provide recycling.
- Tina Prowant asked if everyone was in agreement that the shield on the streetlight located at Jefferson & 17<sup>th</sup> Streets would be removed. Chairman Knight reported that it would be removed, and he would get in touch with the resident that requested it and let him know.
- Cody Stevens thanked the township for working with Duck Defenders to rehome the domestic ducks located at the Fairground Road Park and not euthanizing them. He feels the township has a problem with the dumping of animals in the area and township codes do not have strict fines addressing the issue that addresses all animals and should be looked into and enforced. Vice Chairman Gray responded they would look into what the ordinance says and bring up at the next meeting.
- Dawn Moore, founder of Save the Geese Bloomsburg, thanked the township for not removing the ducks in the past even though the USDA had asked that they be removed. She appreciates that up until now the township has let the ducks stay. Dawn Moore commented that she thought it was harmful to assume the poor water quality was from the waterfowl noting that in the Bloomsburg area testing showed that the poor water quality came from humans. She asked that the township continue to not remove the ducks until the DNA water test is done to determine if the bacteria is from the waterfowl. Dawn Moore offered to work with the township to control the duck's population in the future. Vice Chairman Gray responded that the domestic duck not only eat the plants along the banks but the roots which is not good for the eco system.
- Erin DeSantis, Scout Troup 521, stated that she supports the townships domestic duck removal process.
- Chris DeSantis, resident of the township for 20 years thanked the township for everything they do.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Gray to enter into an Executive Session at 6.58 PM.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to exit from the Executive Session at 7:25 PM.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to adjourn at 7:25 PM.

Gayle Boudman, Secretary

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# NOTICE

The East Buffalo Township Board of Supervisors Public Work Session meeting scheduled for in-person or via the virtual meeting format on Tuesday, December 27, 2022, at 5:30 PM has been CANCELLED.

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The next public meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held Tuesday, January 3, 2023, at 5:00 PM. Visit ebtwp.org for information regarding meeting location.

POSTED: December 14, 2022