

EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PUBLIC WORK SESSION MEETING
589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837
November 25, 2024

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

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

Members of the public in attendance: Tina Prowant, Jerri Brouse (Standard Journal), Jean Warren, Jason & Bria Alabakoff, and Gawhara Abou-Eid (Standard Journal).

Public Comments:

- Jason Alabakoff brought to the board of supervisors his concerns for the street dedication of Countryside Development.

Reports of Officials:

- Chairman Knight
 - Met with Road Master Mohr to go over the road repair schedule to get a better understanding of the work to be done.
 - Friday, November 22, 2024, submitted the Local Share Grant application in the amount of \$200,000.
- Vice Chairman Zorn
 - November 13, 2024, attended the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Commission board meeting.
 - Continue to work with the Standard Journal on the community information guide and map.
- Supervisor Evans
 - November 13, 2024, attended the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Commission board meeting.
 - November 20, 2024, attended the Planning Commission meeting.
 - November 26, 2024, meeting with the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Planning Commission to get an update on a residential house ID system and discuss transition issues for the new police chief.
- Township Manager Helwig
 - Received notice the Township was awarded the DCNR Grant for \$147,300 for Turtle Creek Park Phase I.
 - December 3, 2024, virtual meeting with DCNR Representative to review the grant requirements.
 - HRG has been notified and will review the packet that they have already put together for Turtle Creek Park Phase I project as well as the parking lot information they have and will have something to review in January work session meeting.
 - Received notice the Township was awarded the Safe Streets For All grant in the amount of \$200,000 to be used for the Safety Comprehensive Plan for the Market Street Streetscape Project.
 - November 22, 2024, met with Kluge Insurance Group to go over the retiree's health insurance plans for 2025.

- The Township buildings will be closed Thursday, November 27, Friday, November 28, and Monday, December 2, 2024, for the Thanksgiving holiday.
 - The recycling center will also be closed on Monday, December 2, 2024, and will be open on Tuesday, December 3, 2024.
- Assistant Roadmaster Oberdorf
 - Finish up our paving projects for the year and we were able to do a section on the west end of Pheasant Ridge Road before the plant closed on November 22, 2024.
 - The road crew will be cleaning out all the storm sewers, both inlets and outlets and once that is complete, they will start tree trimming in area #3 of the township.
 - There is still some berm work that needs to be completed as well as some work on the grinder pad at the dump site that the road crew will also be working on.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the November 12, 2024, business meeting minutes as distributed.
 Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to not roll over the PLGIT TERM Investment #2 maturing on 12/17/24 and instead transfer the funds to the Reserve PRIME account in PLGIT and to the Operating Reserve Fund in QuickBooks.
 Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans approve **Resolution 29-2024** to combine the amendments to the police IGA into one amendment and to approve the amended Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement (IGA) between East Buffalo Township and the Lewisburg Borough.
 Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to transfer out of the Operating Reserve Fund \$400,000 to the Equipment Reserve Fund, \$900,000 to the Municipal Complex Reserve Fund, \$200,000 to the Parks & Recreation Reserve Fund, \$699,012.53 to Streets Roads Major Projects Reserve Fund; leaving \$500,000 in the Operating Reserve Fund.
 Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Press Comments:

- Gawhara Abou-Eid (Standard Journal) asked for clarification on the grants that township received and the 2025 budget figures.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to adjourn at 6:29.



 Gayle Boudman, Secretary



 James Knight, Chairman



 Tom Zorn, Vice Chairman



 Katie Evans, Supervisor