

**RYE TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS' MEETING
October 22, 2024**

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PRESENT: Chairman Jim M. Sabo, Vice-Chairman Sean M. Fedder, Supervisor Brad L. Sloop, Secretary/Treasurer, Daisy Lightner, Clerk, Nancy Sunday, EMC Jim Cassidy and Deputy EMC Curt Whitmer, and Solicitor Bruce Crelin.

FORMER SUPERVISOR PRESENT: John Schulze

The meeting was held at the municipal building on New Valley Road and called to order at 7:00 PM. Chairman Sabo convened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. The meeting was recorded to aid with a more accurate preparation of minutes.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE was observed.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Chairman Sabo opened the floor for any public comments on the items listed for business on the agenda. None was offered.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Chairman Sabo made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 24, 2024 supervisors' meeting. Supervisor Sloop seconded; Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Sabo made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2024 budget workshop meeting. Vice-Chairman Fedder seconded; Motion carried unanimously.

MONTHLY MUNICIPAL REPORTS: No **Zoning Report** was presented by Zoning Officer Max Stoner of JHA & Company.

No **Sewage Enforcement Report** was submitted by SEO Lenny Sizer of Frederick, Seibert & Associates, Inc., FSA.

The **Road Report** for September was provided and read by Supervisor Brad Sloop as follows: continued with second mowing along various roads before winter, mowed grass at the building; Cleaned up downed trees on Millers Gap Road, Evergreen, Deans Gap and Cove Roads, Repair Tractor/Mower, replaced accumulator, cleaned ditches on Millers Gap and Idle Roads, organized shop tools, serviced #4 dump truck, and accompanied Rick Levan of PennDOT to check roads anticipated for paving in 2025. .

Recreation Board member Nancy Sunday was present and reported a successful "Halloween Celebration" with Marysville Borough at the Marysville Lions Club Park" with approximately 150 participants in attendance. They enjoyed hayrides, crafts, costume judging, a haunted trail and a huge bon fire with hot dogs and s'mores. She announced that the Recreation Board decided to cancel their monthly meeting in November. Their next meeting will be January 13, 2025.

Emergency Management Coordinator, Jim Cassidy and Deputy EMC Curt Whitmer were in attendance. Deputy EMC Curt Whitmer provided a report on the radio acquisition from the Shermans Dale Fire Company. He offered that he spoke with Fire Chief Mike Minich and confirmed they received the payment for the four (4) radios. Chief Minich indicated he will contact the Township when the radios are ready for pick up. Deputy EMC Whitmer also offered that the Fire Company uses Moyer Communications in Palmyra for service and maintenance.

The **September Treasurer's Report** was submitted for review and read by the Secretary/Treasurer. The report is submitted and approved pending the 2024 Financial Audit.

RESOLUTIONS: Chairman Sabo made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sloop to adopt **Resolution 24-27**, which authorizes the Secretary/Treasurer to transfer at maturity two certificate of deposits at the Bank of Landisburg as follows: (1) Road Project Cd + \$40,000 from the General Fund to a 13 month special Cd at the Bank of Landisburg; (2) Solid Waste Investment Cd transferred to an easy access municipal Cd at Pennian Bank until mid-December when the reserves are transferred from this Cd into the Solid Waste Fund. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: Upon due consideration, Chairman Sabo made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sloop to approve and sign a snow plowing agreement with Henry Lehman, Jr. for snow removal services on Cove Road, (T-460) at \$80.00 for each call out for a storm. No plowing will be completed until the snow measures at least three (3") since the road is dirt and gravel. A current driver's license and certificate of insurance are required listing Rye Township as an additional insured as a condition of the Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon due discussion and consideration, Supervisor Sloop made a motion with a second from Vice-Chairman Fedder to renew the Intermunicipal Agreement between Carroll and Rye Townships for winter maintenance for the 2023-2024 season with the charge for Rye Township to provide winter maintenance as needed on Pine Hill Road and Dutch Cemetery Road at \$90.00 per round trip. Motion carried unanimously. The Secretary indicated she would send a letter to notify the Carroll Township Board of Supervisors of the renewal approval.

Chairman Sabo made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sloop to authorize advertisement that the Board of Supervisors shall consider the appointment of the independent accounting firm of Smith, Elliott, Kearns, & Co to serve as the Township auditor for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Sabo made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sloop to authorize Chairman Sabo to sign the Barlup sewage exemption form for the Justin and Randy Barlup Subdivision Land development certifying that the parcel is served by on-lot sewage. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Sabo signed and dated the form.

Chairman Sabo announced the following:

- October 24 – Budget Workshop; 6-30 PM
- October 31 – Budget Workshop; 6-30 PM
- October 31 - Trick or Treat Night; 6-8:00 PM;
- November 6- Planning Commission rescheduled due to Election Day.
- November 5 - Election Day. 7 AM to 8 PM. *Plan to vote!*
- November 11 – Veterans' Day; Township closed; No change in trash collection
- November 11 – Recreation Board meeting is cancelled. Next meeting is January 13, 2025, weather permitting, to reorganize.
- November 12 – 7:00 PM - November Supervisors' meeting rescheduled due to the upcoming Thanksgiving Holiday
- 2025 Marysville/Rye Historical Society calendars are available for sale for \$10 at the Township office.

APPROVAL AND PAYMENT OF THE BILLS: The Secretary/Treasurer provided an October expense check register and submitted the following checks for approval and payment:

General Fund Check's #s 18073-18102 in the amount of \$ 24,234.10. No checks void.

Payroll checks #s 8409-8413 in the amount of \$4,766.37. No payroll checks void.

Payroll checks #s 8414-8419 in the amount of \$4,809.44. No payroll checks void.

With no discussion on the bills presented, Vice-Chairman Fedder made a motion and Chairman Sabo seconded to approve all the expense and payroll checks submitted for payment except for check # 18088 and check #18098. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Sabo made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sloop to approve check # 18088 issued to Laura Fedder. Motion carried. Vice-Chairman Fedder abstained due to a possible conflict of interest. Laura Fedder is his sister-in-law.

Vice-Chairman Fedder made a motion with a second from Chairman Sabo to approve check # 18098 issued to Brad Sloop. Motion carried. Supervisor Sloop abstained because of a possible conflict of interest as he is a full-time employee enrolled in the health insurance benefits provided by the Township.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Chairman Sabo asked if there was any other citizen participation.

John Schulze of Lee Drive asked about posting of minutes and an update on estimated costs for the Heisley Road culvert replacement.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further discussion or business before the Board, Chairman Sabo made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sloop to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:27 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Daisy Lightner, Secretary/Treasurer