

The **2022 re-organizational meeting of the Earl Township Board of Supervisors**, held on **Monday January 3, 2022**, was called to order by Solicitor William Cassidy, at 7:11 p.m. The Township Supervisors Rick Kochel, Tom Plitt and Daniel Fox were present. Also present were Candie Johnson and the Road Master Lee Zimmerman.

Solicitor William Cassidy asked for an appointment to the vacant Supervisor position, due to Raymond Martin's resignation effective December 31, 2021. Rick made a **motion to appoint Daniel Fox to fill the Supervisor vacancy**, Tom seconded and all voted yes.

Solicitor William Cassidy asked for the following nominations:

Chairman - Tom **nominated Rick Kochel as the Chairman Supervisor**, Dan seconded and all voted yes.

Vice-Chairman - Rick **nominated Tom Plitt as the Vice-Chairman Supervisor**, Dan seconded and all voted yes.

Solicitor William Cassidy asked for the following appointments.

CPA Auditor – Rick made a **motion to appoint Maher Duessel as the CPA auditor for the Township for 2022**, Tom seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Secretary/Assistant Treasurer – Rick made a **motion to appoint Candie L Johnson as the Secretary/Assistant Treasurer**, Tom seconded and all voted yes.

Treasurer/Assistant Secretary - Tom made a **motion to appoint Brenda S Becker as the Treasurer/Assistant Secretary**, Rick seconded and all voted yes.

Road Master - Rick made a **motion to appoint Lee Zimmerman as the Road Master**, Dan seconded and all voted yes.

Solicitor – Rick made a **motion to appoint Appel, Yost & Zee LLP as the Solicitor**, Tom seconded and all voted yes.

Engineers – Tom made a **motion to appoint ELA Group Inc., as the primary Engineering firm and Becker Engineering LLC, as the secondary Engineering firm**. Rick seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Sewer Enforcement Officer - Rick made a **motion to appoint Dale High as the Sewer Enforcement Officer**, Tom seconded and all voted yes.

Back-up Sewer Enforcement Officer – Rick made a **motion to appoint Solanco Engineering Associates as the back-up Sewer Enforcement Officer**, Dan seconded and all voted yes.

Zoning Officer - Tom made a **motion to appoint Joy Oberholtzer as the Zoning Officer**, Rick seconded and all voted yes.

Vacancy Board Member - Rick made a **motion to appoint Marvin Stauffer as a member of the Vacancy Board**, Tom seconded and all voted yes.

Per Capita Tax Collector - Rick made a **motion that Earl Township shall collect the 2022 Per Capita Tax**, Dan seconded and all voted yes.

Real Estate Tax Collector – Tom made a **motion to appoint the Lancaster County Treasurer to collect the 2022 Real Estate Tax**, Rick seconded and all voted yes.

Rick made a **motion to appoint to the Planning Commission Board, Clifford Day Jr to a five (5) year term with the term expiring 1/01/2027**, Tom seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Rick made a **motion to appoint G Anthony Gay to a five (5) year term on the Earl Township Sewer Authority with the term expiring 1/01/2027, Reade Witman to complete the vacated term expiring 1/01/2025 and to appoint Supervisor Tom Plitt as the Municipal Representative for 2022**. Dan seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Rick made a **motion to appoint Thomas Plitt to a five (5) year term on the Western Heights Water Authority with the term expiring 1/01/2027**, Dan seconded and all voted yes.

Tom made a **motion to appoint Eric Bannon to a three (3) year term on the Zoning Hearing Board with the term expiring 1/01/2025 and to appoint Daryl Hurst to a one (1) year term as an alternate on the Zoning Hearing Board, to expire 1/01/2023**. Rick seconded the motion and all voted yes.

UCC Third Party Inspection Agencies – Rick made a **motion to appoint the following as UCC Third Party Inspection Agencies:**

**Associated Building Inspections, Inc
Code Administrators, Inc
Technicon Enterprises, Inc II
Commonwealth Code Inspection Service, Inc.**

Tom seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Pa Uniform Construction Code Board of Appeals (Pa UCC) member - Rick made a **motion to appoint Walter Siderio as an alternate to the Pa UCC Board of Appeals, to expire 1/01/2023**, Tom seconded and all voted yes.

Tom made a **motion to appoint Sean Good to a five (5) year term on the Park & Recreation Board with the term expiring 1/1/2027**, Dan seconded and all voted yes.

Rick made a **motion to appoint Jamie Weir as the Emergency Management Coordinator for 2022**, Dan seconded and all voted yes.

Rick made a **motion to appoint Lavern Zimmerman as the Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator for 2022**, Tom seconded and all voted yes.

Rick made a **motion to appoint Wanda Good as the Alternate Representative of the L.C.T.C.B Municipal Board for the ELANCO Region**, Tom seconded and all voted yes.

Rick made a **motion to appoint Thomas Plitt as the voting delegate at the 2022 PSATS Convention to be held on April 24th through April 27, 2022**. Dan seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Rick made a **motion to approve the following as delegates to attend the 2022 PSATS Convention: Rick Kochel, Thomas Plitt, Daniel Fox, Lee Zimmerman, Candie Johnson and Brenda Becker**. Tom seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Tom made a **motion to approve the following depositories: ENB, Truist Bank, PLGIT, and the PNC Bank**. Rick seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Rick made a **motion to approve the Treasurer's Bond in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 with Styer and Evans Agency**, Tom seconded and all voted yes.

Tom made a **motion to set the mileage reimbursement rate for 2022 at the Federal rate of 58.5 Cents per mile**, Rick seconded and all voted yes.

The re-organizational meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Chairman Rick Kochel called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

Tom made a **motion to approve the December 6th and the December 9, 2021 minutes**, Rick seconded and all voted yes.

Public Comment:

Eric Copenhaver, 116 Windsock Way, stated that he is concerned about the stormwater coming into the swale located at Petra Christian Fellowship Church, which abuts his Windsock Way property, especially due to the proposed growth at the eastern end of the township and New Holland Borough. Lee stated that the orifice has been reduced, which will restrict the stormwater flow into the inlet and any new flow will be required to be time released into the system. This stormwater system will continue to be monitored to ensure optimum operation.

Charles Naylis, 17 Runway Avenue, asked for an update on the clear-site obstruction at the intersection of Airport Road and Runway Avenue. Candie reported that she and Lee visited the property owner to discuss what improvements are required, and she will follow-up since no modification has occurred to date. Lee reported that he met with a PPL representative regarding the electric pedestal and he stated there is no safety concern, because the fuse would cut electric flow if compromised.

Police Report:

Chief Leighty presented the December 2021 police report.

Martindale Fire Co. Report:

Chief Groff presented the December 2021 and year-end fire report.

Garden Spot Fire Rescue:

The November 3, 2021 fire activity report was reviewed.

ELANCO Library:

Lou Ann Miller provided the January 2022 Municipal Newsletter and offered that the Library would be happy to provide information on the Township at their facility.

Subdivision and Land Development Plans:

Tom made a **motion to approve the partial release of Improvement Guarantee funds for the Paul F Martin, 307 Gristmill Road, Ephrata, Final Land Development Plan, in the amount of Thirty Three Thousand Three Hundred Forty Four Dollars (\$33,344.00)**. Dan seconded the motion and all voted yes. (Balance remaining shall be \$3,000.00).

Rick made a **motion to approve executing the Swiss Pioneer Preservation Associates, 758 Spruce Road, Storm Water Ownership and Management Agreement for their Major Land Disturbance Plan**. Tom seconded the motion and all voted yes.

The Supervisors acknowledged the letter from Eagle Disposal declining the Contract extension for the term April 1, 2022. This will require bidding for a new contract.

Road Master's Report:

Lee reported that he and his department are prepped and ready for the seasonal snow.

Zoning Officer's Report:

The Supervisors reviewed the Zoning Officer's December 2021 report. Candie reported that the 736 and 740 South Custer Avenue properties have been given ninety (90) days to clean up the property. If there is no progress, she will collaborate with Solicitor Cassidy to determine the options to get the property into compliance with the Codes. The miscellaneous car parcels are making clean-up progress. The owner of 662 West Main Street did not show up for the hearing on December 13, 2021 with the District Justice, regarding cleaning up the property. The no show has resulted in the owner being fined.

Sewage Enforcement Officer's Report:

The Supervisors reviewed the Sewage Enforcement Officer's December 2021 report.

Solicitor's Report:

Solicitor Cassidy reviewed the proposed Small Wireless Facilities Ordinance, which will require a Five Hundred Dollar (\$500.00) application fee to permit the connection and an annual fee in the amount of Two Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$270.00). After further discussion Rick made a **motion to approve the advertisement of Small Wireless Facilities Ordinance for adoption**, Dan seconded and all voted yes.

The Supervisors acknowledged the Burkholder Quarry, Martindale Road, PA DEP Surface Mining Permit As-Built certificate.

The L.C.C.D. & ELA Group Inc., earthmoving inspection reports were reviewed.

Receipts received in December were \$116,489.13 in the General Fund and \$249.17 in the Waste and Recycling Fund.

Tom made a **motion** to pay the expenses in the General and the Payroll Funds (Checks #4643 – 4686 and #9417 - 9444) in the amount of \$96,857.92, and the payroll taxes electronically transferred in the amount of \$11,119.57. The Street Light (Check #471) in the amount of \$1,106.91, and the Waste and Recycling (Checks #369 - 371) in the amount of \$20,290.05. Dan seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda S Becker, Secretary