MORRIS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING

November 13, 2024, 5:30 PM

The regular meeting of the Morris Township Supervisors was called to order by Chairman, Josiah Jones with a salute to the flag.

A roll call of officers showed Josiah Jones, Emerson Reams, Fred Little, Patrick White, and Patti Moore.

<u>Guests:</u> David Karcewski, Chad Baughman, Mark Crompton, Willard Verbeck, Ed Andrasko, Jr., Stan Minko

Executive Session: None required.

<u>Minutes:</u> The Chairman entertained a motion, Fred Little motioned, and Emerson Reams seconded to approve the October 2, 2024, Board of Supervisors meeting minutes. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

<u>Financial Reports:</u> The Chairman entertained a motion, Emerson Reams motioned, and Fred Little seconded to approve the financial report. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

<u>Bills:</u> The Chairman entertained a motion, Emerson Reams motioned, and Fred Little seconded to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

Solicitor Report: No Report

Township Manager: Patti Moore provided the Managers Report.

<u>Code Enforcement Update:</u> Patrick White presented the code enforcement report to the board.

Planning Commission: None

Public Comments: None

Fire Protection Update: Chad Baughman gave the fire protection report. Chad requested a 3 mil fire tax to benefit the fire department. The supervisors unanimously agreed they will not enact a tax of any kind to the residents at this time. Chad then requested the township prepare a resolution and submit a LSA Grant on behalf of the fire company which was also denied as the township will be submitting a LSA Grant for a new tractor.

<u>Morris Township Recreation:</u> Minutes submitted. The supervisors reviewed the minutes and stated they do not approve of the electric hookup for food trucks.

Municipal Authority: Municipal Authority submitted their meeting packet from the prior meeting.

<u>Ordinance: 2024-12-4: Meeting Pay with Annual Cap Advertisement:</u> The Chairman entertained a motion, Emerson Reams motioned and Fred Little seconded to advertise the 2024-12-4 Ordinance. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

Resolution 2024-11-13: A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Morris Providing for Auditor Compensation. The Chairman entertained a motion, Emerson Reams motioned and Fred Little seconded to adopt Resolution 2024-11-13. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

Resolution 2024-11-13 (2): A Resolution of the Township of Morris, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Supporting the Pennsylvania Commission of the United States Semi quincentennial (America250PA). The Chairman entertained a motion, Emerson Reams motioned and Fred Little seconded to adopt Resolution 2024-11-13 (2). Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

Resolution 2024-11-13 (3) LSA Grant: The Chairman entertained a motion, Fred Little motioned and Emerson Reams seconded to apply for a 6105E C4 John Deere Tractor w/ attachments 22' Machete 3 Boom Attachment, 60" Severe Duty Rotary, Blade Bar, Swivel, Flair-Axe Brush Cutter Swivel. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

<u>**D&G Grants:**</u> The Chairman entertained a motion to apply for Dirt & Gravel Grants for Daylighting School House Road, Myers Road, Troy Hill Road, Lowes Hill Road, Fred Little motioned and Emerson Reams seconded blanket approve to apply for these grants. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

<u>D&G Grant:</u> The Chairman entertained a motion, Fred Little motioned and Emerson Reams seconded to apply for a D&G DSA Grant for School House Road. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes

2025 Proposed Budget: The Chairman entertained a motion, Emerson Reams motioned and Fred Little seconded to approve and accept the 2025 Proposed Budget with ZERO millage increase, with budget on display for 20 days, anticipating adoption at the December 2024 meeting. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

<u>Donation:</u> The Chairman entertained a motion, Fred Little motioned and Emerson Reams seconded to donate \$500.00 to the Philipsburg Borough, to their dog park as a thank you for helping with the repair of the RT 53 Traffic Light. Motion carried with all supervisors voting yes.

<u>Adjournment:</u> The Chairman entertained a motion, Josiah Jones motioned, and Fred Little seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted Patti Moore, Secretary