BART TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING FEBRUARY 5, 2025

The Bart Township Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on February 5, 2025 at the Bart Township Municipal Building, 46 Quarry Road, Quarryville, PA. The meeting was advertised in LNP, a newspaper of general circulation, and posted at the Municipal Building in compliance with the Sunshine Act.

Board of Supervisors present: Ray Marvin, Bill Lamparter and Dale Herr.

Others in Attendance: Cathy Snyder, Forest Stump, Conner Daddario, Ric Gochenaur, Kathy Gochenaur, Bob Widdowson, Janice Widdowson, Levi K. Glick, Cameron Killian, John Graybill, Roxanne Graybill, Dave Farmer, Kevin Kreider, Marcella Peyre-Ferry, Ed Weidman and Jonas Stoltzfus.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Marvin, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Treasurer's Report:

Financial Statements: Treasurer Cathy Snyder reviewed the financial statements for the month of January. Account balances as of January 25, 2025 total \$1,400,544.17.

Accounts Payable: *A motion was made by Supervisor Lamparter to ratify payment of the bills for the period January 1, 2025 through January 25, 2025 in the amount of \$43,125.60. The motion was second by Supervisor Herr. Motion carried.

Available Road/Bridge/Trail Funds: There were no questions on the road/bridge/trail funds report.

Roads:

Road Report: Chairman Marvin reviewed a list of items the road crew completed during the month of January. Forest stated since they have blocked the access road to the trail at Lamparter Road with one block, they have noticed that cars are going around it. It was agreed to have the road crew add a second block to stop them from doing so.

Mower Quote: *A motion was made by Supervisor Lamparter to purchase a John Deere Z950R ZTrak mower from Atlantic Tractor LLC for the amount of \$15,653.72, which is CoStar pricing. The motion was second by Chairman Marvin. Motion carried.

Quarry Road Bridge Grant Update: The grant application for the Quarry Road bridge is under review. They do not anticipate announcing grant awards until September 2025.

We did receive a phone message today asking to setup a meeting with the bridge inspectors.

Cherry Hill Road Meeting Update: We had a meeting with the Center for Dirt and Gravel roads and the Lancaster County Conservation District to discuss the project. We are moving forward with the retirement

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of Fairview Road. It will be on the township planning commission's agenda for review at their February meeting. It has also been submitted to the Lancaster County Planning Department for comments. Action is anticipated to be taken at their March meeting. Discussion has also taken place on the bidding process for this project.

Enola Low Grade Trail:

Bart Western Section: All of our grant applications are back. We have currently a little over \$2.59 million to do this section. One hundred one thousand of that has already been spent on design. They are estimating about \$2.4 million for the build. We are waiting to hear comments back on permits. Hopefully we will be able to put this project out to bid in April.

Enforcement of Trail Regulations: We received a response letter back from our Solicitor concerning questions we had on enforcing trail regulations. This will be tabled to the March meeting in order for it to be given more thought.

Noise Enforcement: No report.

Plans/Planning Commission:

Chairman Marvin noted the rewrite of our zoning ordinance continues under review by our Solicitor.

Zoning / Engineering / Sewage Enforcement:

Zoning Officer Report: There were no questions or concerns.

Violation Report: There were no questions or concerns.

Zoning Hearing Board Application for February: The application of Alvin Esh for the property located at 4769 White Oak Road, Paradise. The applicant is requesting Special Exceptions of Section 801.3 to allow a carriage barn to exceed the maximum permitted size and Section 900.6 to alter a dimensionally non-conforming building. The property is located within the Agricultural Zoning District. *A motion was made by Supervisor Herr in support of this application. The motion was second by Supervisor Lamparter. Motion carried.

Financial Security Release Request for Aaron Miller, 1068 Vintage Road: *A motion was made by Supervisor Lamparter to reduce the financial security for Aaron Miller by \$11,484.00 and establish the new amount equal to \$12,335.06, as recommended by Solanco Engineering in their letter dated January 27, 2025. The motion was second by Supervisor Herr. Motion carried.

<u>Solanco Intermunicipal Committee:</u> The committee held their reorganizational meeting on January 21, 2025. *A motion was made by Supervisor Herr to pay the invoice for dues in the amount of \$200.00. The motion was second by Supervisor Lamparter. Motion carried.

Georgetown Area Sewer Authority: No report.

Old Business:

Follow Up List from January 6th: The welder has not been purchased yet. Supervisor Herr needs to meet with Forest and Conner regarding the stormwater on Vintage Road. He noted the state approved the stormwater on Valley Road. We will have to deal with it for now on our end.

Update to the Employee Handbook: *A motion was made by Supervisor Lamparter to send the update to the employee handbook to our Solicitor for review and approval. This update is to clarify the time and half rate. Cathy will move this from under the heading of "On Call Time Compensation" to a heading of its own. The motion was second by Supervisor Herr. Motion carried.

New Business:

Office Equipment: Chairman Marvin noted the addition of the screen he donated to the township and how he anticipates it being used. With that, there was a quote from PNTR Services for new office equipment that is needed. This quote was for informational purposes.

Fire Police Request: *A motion was made by Supervisor Lamparter to allow the Bart Township Fire Company Fire Police to assist Strasburg Fire Company with traffic control at their annual Spring Mud Sale on Saturday, February 22, 2025 arriving at 7 a.m., if they so desire. The motion was second by Supervisor Herr. Motion carried.

Road Closures for Bart Mud Sales: *A motion was made by Supervisor Herr to allow the following road closures for the Bart Mud Sales: First sale is Furnace from Quarry to 896, Maple Lane from Furnace to 896, Lancaster Avenue from 896 to Valley Road; Second sale is Lancaster Avenue from 896 to Valley Road. Also, the township building parking area can be used for the shuttle bus. The motion was second by Supervisor Lamparter. Motion carried.

<u>Minutes:</u> With no additions or corrections, the Minutes of the January 6, 2025 reorganization meeting and monthly meeting stand approved as written.

Public Comments:

Kathy Gochenaur asked has the generator been bought.

John Graybill noted the fire company mud sale will be the first Saturday in March.

Roxanne Graybill asked if we have a plan for snow removal this time and are we financially set up to take care of these things.

Kevin Kreider asked why nothing was done with the roads Sunday night and Monday morning. Who makes the call for when they go out? What is the reason they weren't out? Who is the acting Roadmaster? There was a Saturday morning when there was one parttime guy out salting, where were your fulltime guys at? Why aren't they out working on the weekends? How much do you budget for salt? Do you premix or not anymore? Why are you depending on your parttime guys to make the call on whether you should go out or not?

Marcella Peyre-Ferry asked what number do you want your residents to call to report if the roads are bad? Are you prepared if we have a big one?

Ed Weidman had concerns over the project down at Jonas Stoltzfus'. Is he following his plan? Jonas Stoltzfus stated for the mud concerns, they are waiting to demo the house and resurface the driveway.

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Chairman Marvin thanked the residents for voicing their concerns. He stated we didn't do well and it was unacceptable. We will try to do better. We need to have a better strategy for who is going to be watching the weather and who is going to be making the call. We are sorry and we apologize.

<u>Adjourn:</u> *A motion was made by Supervisor Herr to adjourn the meeting. The motion was second by Supervisor Lamparter. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy L. Snyder

Secretary

