

# NEW SEWICKLEY TOWNSHIP

Supervisor's Meeting

November 1, 2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors, held at 233 Miller Road, was called to order by Chairman Greg Happ at 6:30 p.m. Present were Vice-Chairman Doug Martin, Supervisors Mike Phipps, Martin Bonzo, and Fritz Retsch.

Also, present were Interim Manager Susan Hockenberry, Treasurer Nicole Liston, Secretary Lawrie Borgman, Police Chief Ronald Leindecker, Road Foreman R.J. Kraus, Township Solicitor Chris Reese, Township Engineer Josh Callender, Lisa Lewis, Larry Hough, Patti Gerhard, Mike Loschinskey and Jim Hendrickson.

Chairman Happ announced an executive session was held on October 31, 2022, for personal matters involving the Township Manager and that there would be an executive session following the meeting regarding possible litigation.

<b>AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA</b>	None.
<b>MINUTES</b>	Motion by Martin to accept the October 4, 2022, meeting minutes as written, seconded by Bonzo. Vote of 5-0 in favor.
<b>BILLS</b>	Motion by Phipps to pay the bills from the General and Stormwater Funds as submitted by the Treasurer, with the signing of checks following the meeting, seconded by Retsch. Vote of 5-0 in favor.
<b>TREASURERS REPORT</b>	Treasurer Nicole Liston read the October monthly Treasurer's Report.
<b>AUTHORIZE MS HOCKENBERRY TO NEGOTIATE UTILITY RATES WITH PROGRESSIVE ENERGY</b>	Motion by Martin to give Susan Hockenberry authorization to negotiate utility rates with Progressive Energy, seconded by Bonzo. Vote of 5-0 in favor.
<b>RESOLUTION #18-22 Act 57 OF 2022 THE LOCAL TAX COLLECTION LAW</b>	Motion by Phipps to adopt Resolution #18-22 for Act 57 of 2022 amending the local tax collection law, seconded by Retsch. Vote of 5-0 in favor.
<b>POLICE MONTHLY REPORT</b>	Chief Leindecker gave the October police report for New Sewickley and Marion Townships.
<b>POLICE ACCEPT RETIREMENT OF THOMAS LIBERTY</b>	Motion by Retsch to accept the retirement of Thomas Liberty, seconded by Phipps. Vote of 5-0 in favor. Chief Leindecker requested permission to give Officer Liberty a plaque in honor of his retirement at the December Board of Supervisors meeting. The Board agreed.

**POLICE  
EXTEND CONDITIONAL OFFER  
OF EMPLOYMENT TO TOP  
CANDIDATE ON FULL-TIME  
LIST**

Motion by Phipps to extend a conditional offer of employment to the top candidate on the full-time list, seconded by Retsch. Vote of 5-0 in favor. Chief Leindecker requested having the swearing in ceremony at the December meeting, although the candidate will not begin full-time work until March. The Board agreed.

**PINE RUN FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Jim Hendrickson submitted the October monthly report and also an updated timeline for the bylaw's completion.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT  
MONTHLY REPORT**

The October monthly report was submitted.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT  
APPROVE THE HIRING OF  
MATTHEW DIETRICH**

Motion by Bonzo to approve the hiring of Matthew Dietrich for the Road Department effective Tuesday, November 8, 2022, seconded by Retsch. Vote of 5-0 in favor.

**ENGINEER  
MONTHLY REPORT**

The October LSSE monthly report was submitted. Josh Callender was present to review the report. At the recommendation of LSSE, the Board agreed to apply for a small water and sewage grant to help with the upcoming MS4 project.

Supervisor Phipps asked about the road opening and driveway ordinance sited on the report. The Board requested LSSE proceed with the development of the ordinance and include guide rail movement as well.

**PLANNING**

Supervisor Phipps stated the update to Ordinance #224 for alcoholic beverages at Green Valley Park has been submitted to the Board for consideration in December. Solicitor Reese will proceed with the required advertising.

**RECREATION**

Mike Loschinsky submitted the October monthly report. The Trick or Treat Trail was a success with over 1,000 kids and 53 tables set up to pass out candy. Chairman Happ thanked the Recreation Board and Police Department for their work for the community.

**RECREATION  
AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF  
FUNDS FOR THE NEW MOWER**

Motion by Retsch to authorize the transfer of funds from the sale of the old park mower to the debt of the new park mower, seconded by Phipps. Vote of 5-0 in favor.

**BUILDING & ZONING  
MONTHLY REPORTS**

The Building and Zoning monthly reports were submitted.

**BOARD COMMENTS**

Supervisor Phipps thanked the Police Department, Recreation Board, and all of those who passed out candy at the Trick or Treat Trail. It was a great event, and everyone did a fantastic job.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Happ announced the Board would go into Executive Session regarding possible litigation following the adjournment of the meeting. No action will be taken.

Motion by Happ to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bonzo. Vote of 5-0 in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully,

Lawrie J. Borgman  
Secretary