

**Black Creek Township Supervisors Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 6:00 P.M.**

The Regular Meeting of the Black Creek Township Supervisors, held on Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 6:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

**Attendance:** Roll Call; Lupcho, Rohrbach, Tombasco; Present.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items:** None.

**Minutes:**

The chairwoman will ask if there are any additions or corrections to the August 3<sup>rd</sup> , general meeting.

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Lupcho, to approve the minutes of the August 3<sup>rd</sup> general meeting.

All in favor.

<u>Financial Report: August 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023</u>	<u>Interest Rates</u>
<b>BB&amp;T/Truist General Fund:</b>	\$0.00 (CLOSED) 0.01%
<b>Mid Penn General Fund:</b>	\$298,239.61 1.00%
<b>Fire Escrow Account:</b>	\$14,053.79 1.00%
<b>PLGIT Prime Savings:</b>	\$30,581.60 PLGIT Yields
<b>PLGIT Checking/Liquid Fuels:</b>	\$55,496.06 Can Change
<b>Fed Shared Revenue Entitle-ARPA:</b>	\$9,650.20 On A Daily Basis
<b>Total Checking/Savings:</b>	<b>\$408,021.26</b>
<b>PLGIT Alumni Assoc.:</b>	\$5,017.89
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$413,039.15</b>

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Tombasco, to approve the financial report.

All in favor.

**Bills:** Payment of bills, as presented.

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Lupcho, to approve the bills as presented and to pay any and all bills in all funds that become due before the next regular meeting.

**Roll Call Vote:** Lupcho, Yes; Rohrbach, Yes; Tombasco, Yes.

**Correspondence:**

- **Senior Expo Hosted by State Reps. Watro and Cabell and Senator Argall.**
- **Pennsylvania History 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference – October 9, 2023**
  - **Supervisor Lupcho reviewed the correspondence.**

## Reports:

**Zoning Report:** Zoning/Codes Officer, Henry Mlecynski submitted and read his zoning report.

**Fire Company:** Fire Chief Joe Lescowitch was absent and did not submit a report.

**Emergency Management:** William Singley Jr. submitted a report which was reviewed by Chairwoman Rohrbach.

**Roadmaster Report:** Reviewed by Chairwoman Rohrbach.

- Chairwoman Rohrbach expressed her thanks to the Rizzos, Green Mountain Excavation, and Key Trucking for providing trucks to haul modified for the Township after an unexpected issue prevented the reserved trucks to come for the reclamation project on Mt. Laurel Trail and Chicks Lane.
- Chairwoman Rohrbach shared the funds will look a little low but stated that the current grants projects had given the Township half of the funds, once they are fully completed and closed out, the Township will receive the second half of the due funds.

## Old Business: None

## New Business:

### 1. Resolution for LSA Grant – Barnes Run Culvert/Golf Course Road

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Tombasco, to approve a resolution to apply for a LSA grant through Luzerne County for the Barnes Run Culvert on Golf Course Road totaling \$336,891.00.

All in favor.

### 2. Resolution for LSA Grant – New Dump Truck

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Lupcho, to approve a resolution to apply for a LSA Grant through Luzerne County for a new dump truck in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. **\* The price for the truck has not yet been received, therefore, the resolution has been approved and will be ratified at the next meeting once the price for the truck has been received. \***

All in favor.

### 3. Ratify a Motion for Rachel Lipski to Execute the Request for Payment Certification for the Derringer Street Bridge Project

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Tombasco, to approve to ratify a motion for Rachel Lipski to execute the request for payment certification for the Derringer Street Bridge Project.

All in favor.

#### **4. Disposing of Old Files**

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Lupcho, to approve the disposing of old files that have exceeded their retention time.

All in favor.

#### **5. Allocating the Remaining ARPA Funds for the Purchase of Asphalt**

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Tombasco, to approve the allocation of the remaining ARPA funds totaling \$9,695.08 for the purchase of asphalt.

All in favor.

#### **6. Hiring of Part-Time Worker**

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Lupcho, to approve the hiring of John Kubilus at a rate of \$20.00 per hour.

All in favor.

#### **Review Public Comment from last meeting:**

- Denise Davis of Chicks Lane had asked about a fireworks issue and regulations, the Township will discuss this further with Solicitor Logsdon.

#### **Supervisor Comment:**

- **The Township has received the results of the 2022 Financial Audit, completed by Herring, Roll, & Solomon. The results were placed on the front table for review.**

#### **Public Comment:**

- Kevin Johnson of Nuremberg, claims that the Township did not complete the Nuremberg Mountain Road Crack Seal project to the Township line. There was a dispute regarding where the Township line falls. Supervisor Rohrbach shared that an engineer had told her that it would cost too much for municipalities and counties to survey their exact boundaries, therefore, counties and municipalities estimate where their boundaries are. A tax map is not a sufficient map to determine boundary lines. A survey map would be necessary to determine the exact boundaries. Supervisor Rohrbach said that she would go back to look at the road.
- Supervisor Lupcho shared her concern about a pipe issue on Line Street that Foreman Ross plans to work on September 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Denise Davis of Chicks Lane shared that Chicks Lane looks great so far.

#### **The next Regular Meeting will take place on Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.**

- The agenda had mistakenly listed September 7<sup>th</sup> as the next meeting date. The minutes have been corrected to reflect the correct date of October 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Adjournment:** A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Tombasco, to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 p.m.

All in favor.

