HEREFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS January 18, 2022

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic the regular meeting of the Hereford Township Board of Supervisors was held in person at the Municipal Building and via Zoom from home. Those present were Supervisor John Membrino, Supervisors Keith Masemore, and Karla Dexter, Assistant Secretary Louisa Masemore, Seisholtzville Fire Chief Ray Strickland, Hereford Fire Chief Josh Borowski, Seisholtzville Fire Police Captain Todd Rush, Dean Marks, Tony Swoyer, Elwood Harper, William Honig, Tamara Levengood, Cliff Kerchner, and Mark Levengood. Irene Donovan, Tom O'Connor, Diane Hollenbach, Harlan Snyder, and Candace Perry attended on Zoom.

Mr. Membrino called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.

Mr. Membrino noted that the Board met briefly in executive session after our meeting on January 3, 2022, to discuss strategy toward the open secretary/treasurer position

The Board also met in executive session on Tuesday January 4, 2022, from 7:00 to 7:55 p.m. The purpose was to meet a second time with candidate T S for the secretary/treasurer position.

The Board also met in executive session on Tuesday January 11, 2022, from 7:00 to 8:05 p.m. The purpose was to interview candidate D H for the secretary/treasurer position.

I can report that an offer of employment has been made and accepted by candidate D H for the secretary/treasurer position with an anticipated start date of February 7, 2022. It is the intention of the Board to take official action on her hiring at our meeting on February 1, 2022.

Minutes

Mr. Membrino made a motion and Ms. Dexter seconded approving the January 3rd organization and regular meeting minutes. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Payment of Bills and Approval of the Treasurer's Report

Mr. Membrino made a motion and Mr. Masemore seconded to pay the bills and approve the Treasurer's report. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Fire Companies

- A. **Hereford Fire Company-** Mr. Borowski reported 22 calls.
- B. **Seisholtzville Fire Company-** Mr. Strickland reported 16 calls this month. He also reported Kriebel road was finally opened. The Board asked the office to write a letter to send to the State Representative asking them to investigate the issue with the telephone companies not responding to lines down and to ask other townships if they also have the same problems.
- Mr. Strickland also said the new brush truck would be ready any day.
- C. **Fire Police -**Nothing to report
- D. **Bally Ambulance** Mr. Membrino offered condolences on the death of a highly respected member
- E. **Emergency Management Coordinator** Mr. Strickland reported that he had finished the course he had previously started and asked on the status of the question he had previously given to the township. Mr. Membrino said the board would look into it.

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- F. **Recreation Committee** Nothing to report
- G. Environmental Advisory Council Had a meeting on January 10th.
- H. **State Police report** –The State Police had 51 calls.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Accept Proposal from Ebert Engineering for Act 537 Plan

Mr. Membrino made a motion and Ms. Dexter seconded to accept the proposal from Ebert Engineering in the amount of \$124,800.00. All were in favor. Motion Passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Certifications for Tax Claim

Mr. Membrino made a motion and Ms. Dexter seconded to authorize the Chairman to sign and approve the Tax Claim Bureau Certification of Unpaid Tax Bills in the amount of \$40,179.85. All were in favor. Motion Passed.

Deputy Tax Collector Form

Mr. Membrino made a motion and Ms. Dexter seconded it to appoint Norann Warmkessel as Deputy Tax Collector and authorized the Chairman to sign the form. All were in favor. Motion Passed.

Uniform Construction Code Countywide Appeals Board Membership

Mr. Membrino made a motion and Ms. Dexter seconded to inform the Uniform Construction Code Countywide Appeals Board that Hereford township was not interested in membership. All were in favor. Motion Passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Trees

Mr. Honig questioned why the township was accepting the responsibility of taking down the trees on Hollyberry Road and not the ones on Five Points Road as well. Mr. Membrino explained that due to the deeds of the subdivision in question the land the trees were on is technically the townships land. Mr. Honig asked how long the arborists job, going through the whole township, was going to take. Mr. Membrino informed him it would take approximately six months.

Five Points Road

Mr. Honig asked if Five Points Road was going to be repaved this year and received an affirmative answer.

There being no further business, Mr. Membrino made a motion and Mr. Masemore seconded to adjourn at

7:57 PM. All were in favor. Motion carried.