

LAWRENCE PARK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

6:00 p.m.

February 14, 2024

4230 Iroquois Avenue

In Attendance: Commissioner B. Rodemaker, Commissioner T. Buchleitner, Commissioner D. Williams, Commissioner T. Benovic, Solicitor D. Miller, Engineer A. Holland, Chief J. Morell, Secretary C. Cunningham: Absent, Commissioner J. Golden

~Commissioner Rodemaker called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was performed~

REPORTS:

Engineers Report:

1. Soudan Lift Station Replacement Status
 - a. Resubmittal to USDA for bid package review pending.
2. PennDOT Bureau of Public Transportation – Lawrence Park Township and Wesleyville Transit and Multimodal Feasibility Study:
 - a. Virtual Stakeholders Meeting was held on January 25, 2024.
 - b. Public Meeting on March 5, 2024 at Iroquois High Auditorium.
3. Cunningham Lift Station Grinder – DCED Grant Application Coordination
 - a. Not selected for grant (December announcement)
4. Chapter 94 Report for Erie WWTP
 - a. Awaiting information from WWTP for flows/volumes for LPT system

~Commissioner Buchleitner motioned to approve all reports as presented. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion; the motion carried~

Visitors: Chris Buchleitner, Jim VanDyne, Paula Cassady, Dale Durst, Mark Riggle, Nathan Angelo, Andy Lapping, Scott Hellmann, Al Renshaw, Char Renshaw, Karen Barringer, Charles Curtis

Signed in to speak: Chris Buchleitner, Jim VanDyne

~Chris Buchleitner asked the Board if they would consider waving the open container Ordinance and also wave any vendor fees so that food trucks could come in the night of the concerts in the park. Chris also requested if a bake sale could be held in the lobby of the Municipal Building on election day.~

~Jim VanDyne stated that there are many dogs running off leash at the Lake Cliff boat launch. VanDyne also said that the Historical Society is willing to open their rest room to poll workers the day of elections, he asked if they could place a motion detector in the lobby on Saturdays to alert the members when someone enters the building. VanDyne asked if one of the Commissioners would be master of ceremonies for the Memorial Day program. Commissioner Buchleitner volunteered to do so. The Board was reminded that the MDJ now leases the lobby so that area cannot be used in case of rain. There can be no refreshments nor can a bake sale take place in the lobby. The Board approved for the Historical Society to use the Meeting room for refreshments as well as in case of rain. VanDyne asked if the Township could mail out the invitations for the Memorial Day celebration. The Township staff will mail those out on behalf of the Historical Society. The Historical Society will host a 2026 celebration of the History of Lawrence Park ~

Bills:

- Commissioner Benovic made a motion to pay bills as presented, Commissioner Buchleitner seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Minutes & Resolutions:

- Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve BOC Minutes from January 2, 2024, Commissioner Buchleitner seconded the motion; the motion carried.
- Commissioner Buchleitner made a motion to approve BOC Minutes (Special Meeting) from January 10, 2024, Commissioner Williams seconded the motion; the motion carried.
- Commissioner Rodemaker read aloud Resolution 2024-01 Secretary Wage for 2024 with the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner Buchleitner; “aye”; Commissioner Rodemaker; “aye”; Commissioner Williams; “aye”; Commissioner Benovic; “aye”; with all in favor, Resolution 2024-01 was duly approved.

- Commissioner Rodemaker read aloud Resolution 2024-02 Fire Department Authority with the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner Buchleitner; “aye”; Commissioner Rodemaker; “aye”; Commissioner Williams; “aye”; Commissioner Benovic; “aye”; with all in favor, Resolution 2024-02 was duly approved.
- Commissioner Rodemaker read aloud Resolution 2024-03 Northwest Account Signers with the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner Buchleitner; “aye”; Commissioner Rodemaker; “aye”; Commissioner Williams; “aye”; Commissioner Benovic; “aye”; with all in favor, Resolution 2024-03 was duly approved.
- Commissioner Rodemaker read aloud Resolution 2024-04 Allegheny Signers with the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner Buchleitner; “aye”; Commissioner Rodemaker; “aye”; Commissioner Williams; “aye”; Commissioner Benovic; “aye”; with all in favor, Resolution 2024-04 was duly approved.
- Commissioner Rodemaker read aloud Resolution 2024-05 Tax Collector Exoneration with the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner Buchleitner; “aye”; Commissioner Rodemaker; “aye”; Commissioner Williams; “aye”; Commissioner Benovic; “aye”; with all in favor, Resolution 2024-05 was duly approved.
- Commissioner Rodemaker read aloud Resolution 2024-06 the 2024 Tenant-Landlord Fees with the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham ; Commissioner Buchleitner; “aye”; Commissioner Rodemaker; “aye”; Commissioner Williams; “aye”; Commissioner Benovic; “aye”; with all in favor, Resolution 2024-06 was duly approved.
- Commissioner Rodemaker read aloud Resolution 2024-07 STMP Program with the following roll call VOTE taken by; Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner Buchleitner; “aye”; Commissioner Rodemaker; “aye”; Commissioner Williams; “aye”; Commissioner Benovic; “aye”; with all in favor, Resolution 2024-07 was duly approved.

Old Business: N/A

New Business:

- Commissioner Buchleitner motioned to rescind Ordinance 2023-19; Denial of Liquor License; Commissioner Williams seconded; Commissioner Benovic Opposed; the motion carried
- Commissioner Buchleitner motioned to appoint Paula Cassady to the Board of Commissioners Vacancy Board; Commissioner Benovic seconded; the motion carried.
- Commissioner Benovic motioned to hire Larry Frank for part time seasonal maintenance/plowing. Commissioner Buchleitner seconded; the motion carried.
- Commissioner Buchleitner motioned to promote Officer Angelo to class “B” Commissioner Williams seconded; the motion carried.
- Commissioner Benovic motioned to extend the Northwest sewer loan and terms; Commissioner Williams seconded; the motion carried.

~Commissioner Benovic motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m., Commissioner Williams seconded; the motion carried.~

Respectfully Submitted:

Cindy Jo Cunningham
Board of Commissioner’s Secretary