

**TOWNSHIP OF STROUD**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING, April 27, 2021, 7:00 P.M.**

The Regular Meeting of the Stroud Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairwoman & Secretary, Christine A. Wilkins at 7:00 P.M. and was conducted remotely by internet utilizing Zoom.us. Also attending were Vice Chairwoman & Ass't Secretary, Jennifer Shukaitis; Supervisor/Ass't Treasurer Edward C. Cramer; Township Manager, Daryl A. Eppley; Township Solicitor, Deb Huffman for Todd Weitzmann; and Recording Secretary, Janice Willey. Mrs. Wilkins began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. (On April 26, a public notice was posted on Township website and Facebook page inviting remote public participation by email, phone and/or Zoom.us.)

**Public Comments: (Non-Agenda Items)** There were no comments.

**Approve Special Meeting Minutes: March 30, 2021.** Mr. Cramer made a motion to **approve Special Meeting Minutes: March 30, 2021.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

**Approve Regular Meeting Minutes: April 6, 2021.** Mr. Cramer made a motion to **approve Regular Meeting Minutes: April 6, 2021.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Mrs. Wilkins abstained as she was not at that meeting. Mr. Cramer and Ms. Shukaitis voted aye, motion carried 2-0.

**Approve Payment Of Bills: General Fund: \$37,155. 58.** Ms. Shukaitis moved to **approve Payment Of Bills: General Fund: \$37,155. 58.** Mr. Cramer seconded. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

**Approve Payment Of Bills: Golf Course Fund: \$10,946.93.** Mr. Cramer made a motion to **approve Payment Of Bills: Golf Course Fund: \$10,946.93.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

**Treasurer's Report: Month of March, 2021.** Mr. Eppley read the March report aloud. Ms. Shukaitis moved to **approve Treasurer's Report: Month of March, 2021.** Mr. Cramer seconded. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

**Manager's Report:** Mr. Eppley's April update, a letter was sent out to the Miller Street residents and homeowners stating there will be a surveying crew from Reilly Associates looking at curbing and sidewalks. West Main Street property owners will be getting a letter as well regarding R-2 district possibly being rezoned to C-2. RKR Hess is down to getting the last of the utility forms to PennDOT's consultant so we can proceed with bidding the Mervine Road Bridge Project. The Redevelopment Authority was updated on the Penn Hills estimated cost and the extent of cleanup work that will be involved. We can apply for County Demolition Funds for this year and next. Awards would be subject to availability. State grants are being explored and a real estate broker has been contacted to determine the property's value. The first Township News and Views Newsletter is now available online and thank you to Jennifer for doing a great job with that. The golf course was able to open in March and they are having a good April. We are awaiting the results of the Township's 2020 Financial Audit. The DCED Report has been submitted. Steel is being fabricated for the Lessig Lane Bridge repair project and should begin within the next few weeks. And the final roads list for paving, sealing and bidding will be ready for our next meeting.

**Public Works Dept. Report:** Mr. Eppley read Douglas Walker's report aloud. They have been out fixing any damage done during plowing. Spring Leaf collection has been completed. There was top soil brought out to the golf course and used where needed after taking the trees down. They had 12 loads of boulders brought to Creekview Park for the Bank Stabilization Project. They are ready for Spring Clean Up that starts tomorrow. As always they are working hard on the "Request for Action" forms as they come in.

**Police Report:** Officer Raymond represented the Police Department. He asked if there were any questions on the report that was submitted. He did give a breakdown from the report. There was a discussion regarding a nuisance issue the township is having with purposely backfiring vehicles and what kind of enforcement can be taken.

**Solicitor's Report:** Ms. Huffman did not have anything to report.

**Engineer's Report:** Mr. Eppley read Mrs. Alker's report. There was not anything new to report, she is looking to close out the St. Luke's Project by our next meeting. And some SALDO projects she is continuing to work on.

**Fire Department Report:** No one there to report. Mrs. Wilkins commented she has notice there are a lot of burning reports on Fire Wire alerts she gets. She suggested we put our burning Ordinance on our website and social media to remind residents of what's allowed.

**Old Business:**

1. **Discuss Revisions To Geothermal Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Refer To County And Township Planning Commissions For Review And Recommendation; Schedule Hearing.** Mr. Cramer made a motion **to set a Hearing date for 6/15/2021 at & 7:00 P.M. and Refer To County And Township Planning Commissions.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

**New Business:**

1. **Adopt Resolution No. 2021-33 Regarding Fixing The Interest Rate At 1.19% Over The Remaining Term Of General Obligation Bond, Series Of 2011 With Wayne Bank.** Ms. Shukaitis moved to **adopt Resolution No. 2021-33 Regarding Fixing The Interest Rate At 1.19% Over The Remaining Term Of General Obligation Bond, Series Of 2011 With Wayne Bank.** Mr. Cramer seconded. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.
2. **Approve First Of Two Payments In The Amount Of \$7,500.00 To JDM Consultants, LLC For State Multi-Modal Grant Writing Services – Budget Line Item #414.317.** Mr. Cramer made a motion to **approve First Of Two Payments In The Amount Of \$7,500.00 To JDM Consultants, LLC For State Multi-Modal Grant Writing Services – Budget Line Item #414.317.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.
3. **Authorize Reimbursement Of Joint Landfill Monitoring Costs In the Amount Of \$5,117.00 To East Stroudsburg Borough For 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Of 2020 And 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Of 2021 - Budget Line Item #427.450.** Ms. Shukaitis moved to **authorize Reimbursement Of Joint Landfill Monitoring Costs In the Amount Of \$5,117.00 To East Stroudsburg Borough For 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Of 2020 And 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Of 2021 - Budget Line Item #427.450.** Mr. Cramer seconded. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.
4. **Authorize Payment Of Three Invoices To Signal Service In The Total Amount Of \$11,626.75 (\$6,519.00, \$4,419.00, \$688.75) From Liquid Fuels Account Pertaining To Signals At Route 611 & Pocono Commons Drive And Route 611 & Applegate Road.** Ms. Shukaitis moved to **authorize Payment Of Three Invoices To Signal Service In The Total Amount Of \$11,626.75 (\$6,519.00, \$4,419.00, \$688.75) From Liquid Fuels Account Pertaining To Signals At Route 611 & Pocono Commons Drive And Route 611 & Applegate Road.** Mr. Cramer seconded. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.
5. **Approve Scheduling Of Knights Fishing Contest For October 9<sup>th</sup> At Brodhead Creek Park.** Ms. Shukaitis moved to **approve Scheduling Of Knights Fishing Contest For October 9<sup>th</sup> At Brodhead Creek Park.** Mr. Cramer seconded. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.
6. **Approve Fireworks Display At Knights Park For Stroudsburg Area School District Graduation On June 4.** Mr. Cramer made a motion to **approve Fireworks Display At Knights Park For Stroudsburg Area School District Graduation On June 4.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.
7. **Ratify Signing Lessig Lane Bridge Repair Agreement With Professional Construction Contractors Inc. And Proposal By Established Traffic Control, Inc.** Ms. Shukaitis moved to **ratify Signing Lessig Lane Bridge Repair Agreement With Professional Construction Contractors Inc. And Proposal By Established Traffic Control, Inc.** Mr. Cramer seconded. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

**Executive Session:** Ms. Shukaitis made **a motion to go into executive session at 7:28 P.M. to discuss litigation, real property, personnel and security matters.** Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0. Ms. Shukaitis made a motion to **return to regular session at 7:53 P.M.** Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0. Mrs. Wilkins said that the Board discussed personnel and litigation matters in executive session and she asked if there were any motions. There were none.

There being no further business, Ms. Shukaitis made a motion to **adjourn the meeting at 7:54 P.M.** Mr. Cramer seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Janice Willey  
Administrative and Recording Secretary