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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

AGENDA

SEPTEMBER 25, 2024

Call to Order 7:30 p.m.

1. Public Comment (Maximum 30 minutes)
2. Board's Announcements:
 - Yard Waste Pick-up for Fall – Free recyclable bags may be picked up at the township administrative offices until December 6th.
 - Buckingham Township “Clean-Up Weekend” October 19 & 20, 8am-4pm, 4991 Upper Mountain Road. Free shredding for residents from 9am-12noon on Saturday, October 19th. See the Township website for more details.
 - The Board of Supervisors will have a Work Session on October 9, 2024 beginning at 4:00pm to discuss the 2025 budget.
3.
 - a. Consideration of approving Payment Request No. 2, to Derstine Company, LLC for work completed on the **Pump Station Generators and Upgrades, Phase 3, General Contract BT-23-01**, in the amount of \$54,000.00.
 - b. Consideration of approving Payroll dated August 29, 2024 and September 12, 2024, and the Bill List for the meeting of September 25, 2024.
4. Consideration of approving draft Supervisor's Minutes of the August 28, 2024 Work Session and the August 28, 2024 Regular Business Meeting.
5. Consideration of accepting for inclusion in the Township records various Departmental Minutes and Advisory Body Minutes.
6. The Chief Administrative Officer to advise the Board of Supervisors the expected Financial Obligation for the (MMO) Minimum Municipal Obligations for Non-Uniformed Pension Plan and the Police Pension Plan for the Year 2025.
7. Consideration of agreeing to the Developer's Request for an Extension of time within which to complete the Improvements as set forth in the Residential Development Contract to September 30, 2025, covering “Verrichia Tract”, Township File SA 2006-04.

8. **ESCROW RELEASE:**

“Antler Drive LLC - Gordon Residence”, 3391 Church School Road, TMP 06-004-074, Stormwater Facility Development Contract PSW 230011	Request for Release #2	\$38,443.38 recommended for release
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9. Additional Business / Manager's Items:
 - Consideration of authorizing township staff to prepare and advertise the 2025 Township Open Space and Lawn Maintenance Contract for a term of 3 years.

Buckingham Township Board of Supervisors
Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the Buckingham Township Board of Supervisors was held Wednesday, September 25, 2024 in the Township Building, 4613 Hughesian Drive, Buckingham, Pennsylvania.

Present:	Paul Calderaio	Chairman
	Maggie Rash	Vice-Chairman
	Jon Forest	Member
	Daniel Gray	Township Engineer
	Craig Smith, Esquire	Township Solicitor
Not Present:	Dana Cozza	Township Manager
	Luke Rosanova	Bucks County Planning Commission
	Gary Weaver	Township Water/Wastewater Consultant

Mr. Calderaio called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Nick Lykon, Lower Mountain Road, requested an update on Buckingham Township's request to the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission to designate Buckingham Village as a historic district. He explained that he and others are discussing restoration of the General Green Inn and there are state and federal tax credits available for construction costs if the building is within a historic district.

Mr. Smith stated there is an ordinance drafted which will probably be voted on by the Board of Supervisors during their October or November business meeting, but warned that is not the final step, as the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission must then consider the request to designate Buckingham Village as a historic district. Only if they do so, which they have declined to do in the past, will the area be designated an historic district.

BOARD'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Calderaio said the Board had an Executive Session earlier this evening to discuss ongoing litigation and will continue after this meeting to discuss the potential acquisition of conservation easements.

Mr. Calderaio read the following announcements:

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- The Board of Supervisors will have a Work Session on October 9, 2024 beginning at 4:00pm to discuss the 2025 budget.

REQUESTS FOR PAYMENT, PAYROLL and BILL LIST

Consideration of approving Payment Request No. 2, to Derstine Company, LLC for work completed on the Pump Station Generators and Upgrades, Phase 3, General Contract BT-23-01, in the amount of \$54,000.00.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve Payment Request No. 2, to Derstine Company, LLC for work completed on the Pump Station Generators and Upgrades, Phase 3, General Contract BT-23-01, in the amount of \$54,000.00.

Mr. Calderaio stated the money for this project comes from the income received from the customers of the wastewater system, not from the township's general fund or tax revenues.

The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of approving Payroll dated August 29, 2024 and September 12, 2024, and the Bill List for the meeting of September 25, 2024.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve Payroll dated August 29, 2024 and September 12, 2024, and the Bill List for the meeting of September 25, 2024 in the total amount of \$1,867,329.86. The motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

Consideration of approving draft Supervisor's Minutes of the August 28, 2024 Work Session and the August 28, 2024 Regular Business Meeting.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve, as most recently presented, the draft Supervisor's Minutes of the August 28, 2024 Work Session and the August 28, 2024 Regular Business Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of accepting for inclusion in the Township records various Departmental Minutes and Advisory Body Minutes.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to accept for inclusion in the Township records the various Departmental Minutes and Advisory Body Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS

The Chief Administrative Officer to advise the Board of Supervisors the expected Financial Obligation for the (MMO) Minimum Municipal Obligations for Non-Uniformed Pension Plan and the Police Pension Plan for the Year 2025.

Mrs. Pistory, Chief Financial Officer, advised the Board of Supervisors of the expected Financial Obligation for the MMO for the Non-Uniformed employee Pension Plan and the Police Pension Plan for the Year 2025. She explained this is the Minimum Municipal Obligation for the Township pension plans through the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System for year 2025, per the state requirement to have a plan to pay for the debt that is owed. Mrs. Pistory said she will submit the forms to the state tomorrow and pay the obligation for year 2024

Mr. Calderaio stated that Mr. Forest was involved in the negotiation a few years ago when the police union wanted to tie the pension plan funding to the stock market as some other Bucks County municipalities did, who are now regretting having done so. Mrs. Rash noted that our board is very conservative.

Consideration of agreeing to the Developer's Request for an Extension of time within which to complete the Improvements to September 30, 2025, as set forth in the Residential Development Contract covering "Verrichia Tract", Township File SA 2006-04.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to agree to the Developer's Request for an Extension of time to September 30, 2025, within which to complete the Improvements as set forth in the Residential Development Contract covering the "Verrichia Tract", Township File SA 2006-04. The motion carried unanimously.

Escrow Release:

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve Escrow Release #2 to "Antler Drive LLC – Gordon Residence", 3391 Church School Road, TMP 06-004-074, Stormwater Facility Development Contract PSW 230011, in the amount of \$38,443.38. The motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS / MANAGER'S ITEMS

Consideration of authorizing township staff to prepare and advertise the 2025 Buckingham Township Open Space and Lawn Maintenance Contract for a term of 3 years.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to authorize township staff to prepare and advertise the 2025 Buckingham Township Open Space and Lawn Maintenance Contract for a term of 3 years. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved by the Board of Supervisors on the 23rd day of October, 2024.

Buckingham Township Board of Supervisors

Paul Calderaio, Chairman

Maggie Rash, Vice-Chairman

Jon Forest

Attest:

Dana S. Cozza, Township Secretary

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lori Wicen.