

# Black Creek Township Supervisors General Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023

The Pledge of Allegiance

The General Meeting of the Black Creek Township Supervisors, held on Thursday, July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023, was brought to order at 6:00 PM.

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

## Public Comment on Agenda Items:

- Kim Brighthaupt, of Chicks Lane, asked about agenda items numbers 9 and 10. She was wondering what would happen once Chicks Lane and Mt Laurel are pulverized. Supervisor Rohrbach stated that after it was pulverized, DSA will be put down on Mountain Laurel Trail.
- Nick Chipollette, of Chicks Lane, expressed his dislike over the current state of Chicks Lane. Supervisor Rohrbach explained that this was due to a poor job being done on the lane years prior. Supervisor Rohrbach explained that the bid that is on the agenda is to help fix Chicks Lane. Mr. Chipollette asked what was going to be done about the ditches on Chicks Lane. Supervisor Rohrbach shared that the road crew has been very overwhelmed as there are many of other projects that need to be done in the Township and the road crew spent all winter on Chicks Lane. She shared that Chicks Lane has received more attention than any other area of the Township, in the past two years. John Ross, Foreman of Black Creek Township, explained to Mr. Chipollette that he is behind schedule and that he is coming over with stone and plans to rip rap the ditches sometime the following week.

## Minutes:

The chairwoman will ask if there are any additions or corrections to the June 1<sup>st</sup> general meeting.

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by Supervisor Tombasco, to approve the minutes of the June 1<sup>st</sup> general meeting.

All in favor.

<b>Financial Report: June 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023</b>	<b>Interest Rates</b>
<b>BB&amp;T/Truist General Fund:</b>	\$699.21 0.01%
<b>Mid Penn General Fund:</b>	\$212,614.26 1.00%
<b>Fire Escrow Account:</b>	\$14,029.94 1.00%
<b>PLGIT Prime Savings:</b>	\$30,315.42 PLGIT Yields
<b>PLGIT Checking/Liquid Fuels:</b>	\$86,602.25 can change on
<b>Fed Shared Revenue Entitle-ARPA:</b>	\$9,566.19 a daily basis.
<b>Total Checking/Savings:</b>	<b>\$353,827.27</b>
<b>PLGIT Alumni Assoc.:</b>	\$5,632.61
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$359,459.88</b>

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Lupcho, to approve the financial report.  
All in favor.

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

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

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

**Correspondence:** None.

**Reports:**

**Zoning Report:** Zoning/Codes Officer, Ed Wenger sent a zoning report which was reviewed by Supervisor Rohrbach.

**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 Supervisor Rohrbach.

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

**Old Business: None.**

**New Business:**

**1. Weston Harvest Moon Run**

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Tombasco, to accept the Weston Harvest Moon Run.

All in favor.

- Becky Nenstiel, who organizes the run, asked if it was possible to do a blanket approval. Solicitor Logsdon said that it would have to be approved every year. The run/walk will begin at 3:30 with registration at 2:00 beginning at 283 Hazle Street.

**2. Disposing of old files**

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

All in favor.

**3. HAWC, Inc. notice of application announcement for minor modification to current SRBC approval.**

- Supervisor Rohrbach read the notice and stated that it is available for anyone to review after the meeting.

**4. Twin County Lions Club – Monkey Bars Donation of \$500**

- Supervisor Rohrbach expressed her thanks on behalf of the Township to the Twin County Lions Club for their donation of \$500 towards the new monkey bars for the Rock Glen Park.

**5. Update on New Control Station for Nuremberg/Weston Fire Company**

- The new radio has been ordered and is planned to be installed in the coming months.

**6. Bott Subdivision**

*A motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Tombasco, to approve the Bott Subdivision, as recommended by the Black Creek Township Planning Commission. All in favor.

**7. Hinkle/Modlesky Subdivision**

*A motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Lupcho, to approve the Hinkle/Modlesky Subdivision, as recommended by the Black Creek Township Planning Commission. All in favor.

**8. John Ross Reimbursement for Five Days of Vacation**

*A motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Tombasco, to approve payment to John Ross for five days of vacation that he gave up to use the rented excavator for Chicks Lane in 2022. John Ross gave up his vacation between Christmas and New Year's so that the excavator for Chicks Lane, which was rented by the month, would not be wasted for a week. The excavator cost approximately \$1,000 per week. The Supervisors wanted to express their appreciation for his generosity by reimbursing him for the time that he lost last year. All in Favor.

**9. Ratifying Advertising for Bids for the Pulverization of Mountain Laurel Trail and Chicks Lane.**

*A motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Lupcho, to accept ratifying the advertising for bids for the pulverization of Mountain Laurel Trail and Chicks Lane. All in favor.

**10. Opening of Bids for the Pulverization of Mountain Laurel Trail and Chicks Lane.**

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Tombasco, to accept the bid from Midland Asphalt for Mountain Laurel Trail and Chicks Lane in the amount of \$91,840.98 (\$50,230.18 for the full-depth reclamation/pulverization and \$41,610.80 for the Dust-Clear). The entirety of Chicks Lane cannot be done in one year due to financing; it will have to be continued by the next administration. The planned portion is to be the section of Chicks Lane where the homes are.

All in favor.

**11. Resolution to Accept the Low Bid and Award the Contract as Advertised**

A *motion* by: \_\_\_\_, seconded by: \_\_\_\_, to accept the resolution to accept the low bid and award the contract as advertised.

All in favor.

- This agenda item has been skipped as it was combined with agenda item number ten (10).

**12. Appointment of a Primary BCO (Building Code Official), Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer**

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Lupcho, to accept the appointment Regional Municipal Services LLC as Primary BCO (Building Code Official), Zoning and Code Enforcement officer. They will also be appointed as Flood Plains Manager and handle Storm Water Management. The fee will be \$2,400.00 a month.

All in favor.

**13. Additional Agenda Item: Little Library**

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Tombasco, to install a Little Library by the Township Building.

All in favor.

**Review Public Comment from last meeting: None.**

**Solicitor Comment:**

- Solicitor Sean Logsdon shared some pending updates to the SALDO application process. There will be amendments to the master fee schedule going into the next meeting to clean up some differences between the fee schedule and the application for subdivision and land development issues. He also shared that there will be a fee eliminated for political signs.

**Supervisor Comment:**

- Supervisor Rohrbach shared that there has been much vandalized and theft of signs on Hilltop Drive. She shared that someone stole the detour sign for the Hilltop Drive project and other theft that has occurred to try to hinder the road crew from doing the work that they need to do.
- Supervisor Rohrbach announced that the Derringer Street Bridge Project is officially out for bid.
- A low-income survey has to be completed again as Nuremberg/Weston lost their low-income status. Lindsay Zanoline and Mary Dineley will be volunteering this year to administer the low-income survey in Weston along with Supervisor Lupcho.

**Public Comment:**

- Kim Brighthaupt, of Chicks Lane, asked for a status update on the bridge on Chicks Lane. Supervisor Rohrbach responded that it is a county bridge. Kim was told by the County that they were going to be starting in April. Supervisor Rohrbach told her to reach out to the County for a status update. Supervisor Rohrbach shared that part of the bid that was received today is to go to part of Chicks Lane for the reclaiming process. The Township will have to put money into the project as it is projected that for 1/10<sup>th</sup> of a mile, the paving will approximately cost \$31,000. The goal is to complete 7/10ths of a mile to cover everyone's houses. This portion of the project is anticipated to be completed by the end of the year.
- Robert Brighthaupt, of Chicks Lane, asked if the turning lane by Scotch Valley Drive was going to be eliminated but Supervisor Rohrbach shared that an engineer came to look at it and was told that it has to stay there.

**Final Announcement:**

- The next Regular Meeting will take place on Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:**

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by Supervisor Tombasco, to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

All in favor.

