

Mason Township Board  
Regular Meeting  
June 15, 2023

Supervisor Brandt call the meeting to order at 7:00pm with the pledge of allegiance. Roll call was answered by all board members.

Supervisor Brandt asked for public comments. Kristen Levan commented on behalf of the park committee. The all-purpose court is completed, and the walking path will be installed the middle of July. Also, she has talked to Brian, Dept. of Ag, about the “met up & eat” program for the kids’ summer food program. They will not be distributing food in our area this year, but it will be on their list for next year. Thanks to Kristen for your help and concern with the summer food program.

**Trustee Arnold** made the motion to approve tonight’s agenda, seconded by Trustee Allen. Motion carried.

**Trustee Arnold** made the motion to approve May minutes, seconded by Trustee Allen. Motion carried.

**Trustee Allen** made the motion, seconded by Trustee Arnold, to approve the treasurer’s report, and the payables for approval of \$196,066.62. Roll call vote – Chew-yes, Arnold-yes, Allen-yes, Dull-yes, and Brandt-yes. Motion carried.

**Reports:**

Cass County Commissioners Marchetti reported the committee of the whole discussed the truth in taxation millage, a \$100,00 grant, board-band map, master plan update, and the historical courthouse. Commissioner Lee reported on the commercial company wanting to raising chickens in Silver Creek Twp., and the problem around Donnell Lake (Penn Twp.) in the growth of marijuana. The field is in Penn Twp. but touches on Calvin and Newburg Twp.

Zoning Administrator Krempec reported all the properties (4) in violation are going to court. He is working on the problem with the race track on State Line Dr.

SEPSA – Fire Chief Holderman said 30% of their calls are from Mason Twp., of those 87% are medical calls. They have had 312 call year to date. They are taking applications for EMTs & Paramedics.

Planning Commission met on May 23, just a quarterly meeting with no new business.

Building Dept. – 5 electrical permits, 7 mechanical permits, 2 plumbing permits, 2 building permits.

No unfinished or ongoing business.

**New Business:**

1. SEPSA – Fire Chief Holdeman thanked the board for awarding SEPSA \$60,000 to purchase the new ambulance. He is submitting a request for a grant from the State for Fire Equipment for \$20,000. This would be for “turnout gear”. He requested a letter of support from Mason Twp. to submit with the request. Also, he would like Mason Twp. to fund rescue tools (Jaws of Life, etc.) for \$57,500. The ones they are using now are almost 20 years old or older, and are not battery powered. New ones are battery powered and go anywhere. Batteries last 3 years.

Trustee Arnold made the motion, seconded by Treasurer Chew, to fund this request. Roll call vote – Allen-yes, Arnold-yes, Chew-yes, Dull-yes, and Brandt-yes. Motion carried.

2. Trustee Allen made the motion, seconded by Trustee Arnold, to approve the contracts for sewer payments for 5 years, and 10 years. This is to correct a mistake by the builders of two

properties. Roll call vote – Chew-yes, Dull-yes, Allen-yes, Arnold-yes, and Brandt-yes.  
Motion carried.

Trustee Allen made the motion, seconded by Trustee Arnold, to waive the debt reduction fee for the sewer as of July. Roll call vote – Allen-yes, Arnold-yes, Chew-yes, Dull-yes, and Brandt-yes. Motion carried.

3. Clerk Dull made the motion to amend the BOR meeting dates for July and December 2023. Trustee Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. Treasurer Chew made the motion, seconded by Trustee Allen, to approve the quote to replace a 20" X 20" section of the parking area - \$5,350. Roll call vote – Arnold-yes, Allen-yes, Chew-yes, Dull-yes, and Brandt-yes. Motion carried.
5. Trustee Arnold made the motion, seconded by Trustee Allen, to approve the millage request levied at 0.7826 for the next year. Roll call vote – Chew-yes, Arnold-yes, Allen-yes, Dull-yes, and Brandt – yes. Motion carried.
6. Supervisor Brandt stated he was going to ask Chelsa Greathouse to be the deputy zoning administrator. She could learn from Zoning Admin. Krempec and the township would pay for the schooling she would need to take.

**No Correspondences.**

**Date:** Mason Township Board – July 11, 7pm

Trustee Allen made the motion to adjourn at 8:30pm, seconded by Trustee Arnold. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Dull  
Clerk