

EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, June 1, 2023, 7:00 PM

Reamstown Fire Company, 12 West Church Street

This meeting will be held in-person and broadcast on Zoom.

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 2) **EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT**
- 3) **MEETING MINUTES**
 - a) May 18, 2023 Board of Supervisors Meeting minutes
- 4) **PRESENTATIONS**
- 5) **ACTION ITEMS**
 - a) fire apparatus insurance
 - b) Nature Conservancy Wetlands Participation Program participation
- 6) **TREASURERS REPORT**
 - a) bill lists and payroll
- 7) **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**
- 8) **NEW BUSINESS**
- 9) **OLD BUSINESS**
 - a) Act 172 tax credit for volunteer emergency responders
- 10) **PUBLIC COMMENT**
 - a) public comment for non-agenda items only
 - b) May 18 Meeting minutes revision
- 11) **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
 - a) The Board of Supervisors will next meet on Thursday, June 15, at 7:00 PM, at the Township Building. This meeting will also be broadcast on Zoom.
- 12) **ADJOURNMENT**

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**EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REAMSTOWN FIRE COMPANY
12 WEST CHURCH STREET, REAMSTOWN, PA
THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2023, 7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER by Chair Bonura at 7:00 PM

ATTENDANCE

Lorenzo Bonura, Chair	[X]
Jeff Mitchell, Vice Chair	[X]
Romao Carrasco	[X]

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chair Bonura announced no Executive Sessions had been held subsequent to the Board of Supervisors May 18 Meeting.

MEETING MINUTES

Chair Bonura made a motion to approve the May 18, 2023 Meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mitchell.

Mr. Carrasco inquired as to the inclusion of correspondence received from the prior Township Engineer.

There was no public comment.

The motion was approved, 2-1, with Mr. Carrasco voting no.

PRESENTATIONS

- There were no presentations made at this evening's meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

fire apparatus insurance – Mr. Mitchell commented on each volunteer fire company obtaining insurance for its apparatus, and seeking Township reimbursement for this expense.

Mr. Carrasco requested additional information be provided to the Members, including proposed coverages and the estimated cost to the fire companies.

Jeff Garner, Reamstown Fire Company, commented on coverage provided by the Township. Tommy Ryan, Township Manager, will send insurance information to each fire company.

Chad Weaver, Stevens Fire Company, commented on the Township providing this insurance.

There was general discussion regarding liability and insurance funding in previous years.

The fire companies will review information provided by the Township, and review available coverage options, in the next two months. The Board will revisit this matter at a future meeting.

Nature Conservancy – Ken McCrae, MS4 Coordinator, provided an overview of the Nature Conservancy Wetlands Participation Program. Mr. McCrae commented on the Township having been invited to join the program. Mr. McCrae noted there was no cost to the Township to join the program, and he noted program participation would satisfy certain public education and outreach requirements set forth by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection through the Township's MS4 permit.

Mr. Mitchell made a motion to authorize East Cocalico Township's participation in the Nature Conservancy's Wetlands Participation Program. The motion was seconded by Chair Bonura.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the motion was approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Mitchell made a motion to approve the check payments for the General Fund Bank Account list of bills in the amount of \$165,154.81, for the week of May 25, 2023. The motion was seconded by Chair Bonura.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the motion was approved.

Mr. Mitchell made a motion to approve the check payments for the General Fund Bank Account list of bills in the amount of \$31,137.61, for the week of June 1, 2023. The motion was seconded by Chair Bonura.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the motion was approved.

Mr. Mitchell made a motion to approve the check payments for the Light Fund Bank Account list of bills in the amount of \$67.62, for the week of May 25, 2023. The motion was seconded by Chair Bonura.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the motion was approved.

Mr. Mitchell made a motion to approve the check payments for the Light Fund Bank Account list of bills in the amount of \$257.99, for the week of June 1, 2023. The motion was seconded by Chair Bonura.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the motion was approved.

Mr. Mitchell made a motion to approve the Electronic Payment list of bills in the amount of \$105,678.12, for payroll dated May 24, 2023, for the pay period from May 7, 2023 to May 20, 2023. The motion was seconded by Chair Bonura.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the motion was approved.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Mr. Mitchell commented on the Board of Supervisors meeting during the first week of July. The Members will consider this at the Board of Supervisors June 15 Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- Chair Bonura commented on proposals received for engineering services.

OLD BUSINESS

- Mr. Mitchell commented on Act 172 tax credits for volunteer emergency responders. Dan Wieder, East Cocalico Township, commented on the presentation made at the Board of Supervisors May 18 Meeting. Scott Achey, Reamstown Fire Company, commented on tax credits for non-resident volunteers
- Chair Bonura commented on the cost to replace an HVAC system at the Township Building.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Lorraine Kulp, East Cocalico Township, thanked Township staff for their work to prepare and submit a grant application for funding at Wabash Park.
- Rhonda Gobble, East Cocalico Township, commented on profanity on political signs. Matt Creme, Township Solicitor, commented on relevant case law, profanity as used in certain context, Township Code regulations, and restrictions imposed on municipal governments as to the regulation of political speech.
- Eric Stambauch, East Cocalico Township, commented on Township Code regulations and allowances.
- Alan Fry, East Cocalico Township, commented on signage regulations set forth by a homeowners' association.
- Braxton Scones, East Cocalico Township, commented on morality, respect, and tolerance.

- Ms. Gible commented on the creation of anger and division.
- Sue Mackley, East Cocalico Township, and Ms. Kulp commented on meeting minutes posted to the Township website.
- Steve Brubaker, East Cocalico Township, read a statement regarding a conversation had with Mr. Mitchell.
- Doug Mackley, East Cocalico Township, commented on a salt shed and ARPA funding.
- Ms. Kulp commented on the conversation had by Mr. Brubaker and Mr. Mitchell.
- Ms. Gible commented on a petition to amend Township Code regarding signage.
- Mr. Brubaker commented on a conversation had with Mr. Mitchell.

AGENDA REVISION

Act 65 announcement – Chair Bonura made a motion to amend this evening’s agenda in accordance with Act 65 of 2021, so to revise the Board of Supervisors May 18, 2023 meeting minutes as to the vote taken to appoint an Alternate Engineer. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mitchell.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the motion was approved.

May 18, 2023 Meeting minutes – Mr. Mitchell made a motion to revise the Board of Supervisors May 18, 2023 Meeting minutes as to the appointment of an Alternate Engineer, so to reflect a vote was taken on this matter, and was unanimously approved. The motion was seconded by Chair Bonura.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the motion was approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Bonura noted the Board of Supervisors will next meet at 7:00 PM on Thursday, June 15, at the Township Building, 100 Hill Road.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, at 8:15 PM Mr. Mitchell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Chair Bonura.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the motion was approved.

Respectfully Submitted:

Tommy Ryan
Township Manager