

North Buffalo Township
June 14, 2023

The North Buffalo Township Board of Supervisors met at the Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m., June 14, 2023 with Supervisors Jennifer Matarrese, Jay Hogg and Mike Valencic, Secretary Pam Bowser, Police Chief Jason Hufhand, Township Solicitor Scott Andreassi, Pennsylvania State Police Corporal Tyler Dubovi and eight citizens in attendance.

Jennifer Matarrese called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. She led the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for a moment of silence to honor those in service of our country. She then announced that the meeting was being audio and video recorded.

Mike Valencic made the motion to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2023 Supervisors' Meeting. Jay Hogg seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Mike Valencic made the motion to approve the bills as presented on the Bill List with General Fund checks #28465 through #28514 in the amount of \$53,782.67, General Fund electronic debits in the amount of \$35,776.02 and State Fund checks #846 through #849 in the amount of \$40,328.57. Jay Hogg seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Mike Valencic made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, with Jennifer Matarrese seconding the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Township Police Chief Jason Hufhand then gave his monthly police report and also read the fire report from Worthington-West Franklin Fire Department.

Pennsylvania State Police Corporal Tyler Dubovi introduced himself to the board and those in attendance. He reported that there are now 31 patrol troopers working out of the Kittanning barracks and gave an update of the state police services and duties. He also reported that their incidents responded to in North Buffalo Township were minimal compared to neighboring townships.

Monthly response reports were given by Bart Rothen from Ford Cliff Fire Department and Zach Wood from South Buffalo Township Fire Department. Zach Wood reported as a matter of record that he is upset with Kittanning Ambulance No. 6 because they either hold in station or cancel themselves and do not respond to calls. Zach is very concerned about the safety of citizens and the safety of his fellow fire fighters that respond to incidents in case they get hurt and an ambulance is not on scene. The supervisors gave him permission to call Freeport Ambulance if Kittanning refuses to respond. The supervisors will send a letter to the person in charge of Kittanning Ambulance No. 6.

Jennifer Matarrese gave the Road Master's report. The road crew has been working on prepping roads for the upcoming tar and chip project. They also have been patching, mowing, doing some routine road maintenance and working on equipment and garage maintenance. Jennifer reported that Spring Clean-up Day was a success. Residents are happy to have two days scheduled this year and she didn't hear any complaints about driving to the dumpster site at Atkinson's in Worthington instead of the township parking lot.

Under unfinished business, the supervisors reviewed a proposed ordinance to regulate short-term rentals within the township. During the discussion it was suggested to add that the owner be required to secure a copy of the renter's drivers license to be able to identify the person in the event of a problem or criminal incident, especially after the renter has left the premises. The rest of the ordinance was acceptable to the board as presented. Solicitor Andreassi will write up the addition and send it to the township. Mike Valencic made the motion to advertise the ordinance. Jay Hogg seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Since there was no new business to address and no public comment, Jennifer Matarrese made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. Mike Valencic seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Pamela L. Bowser
North Buffalo Township Secretary