

**Lewis Township Supervisors  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
October 6, 2021**

The Lewis Township Regular Monthly Meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Ricky Dyer at 4:02 P.M. Those also present in person were Supervisor Thomas J Marshall via telephone, Secretary/Treasurer Lucinda R. Bomberger, Solicitor Jonathan Dewald and twelve (12) guests.

Vice - Chairman Ricky Dyer announced that the Supervisors engaged in an executive session prior to the meeting to discuss legal and personnel matters.

A motion was made by Ricky Dyer, seconded by Thomas J Marshall and passed to amend the October 6, 2021 meeting agenda to include the approval of an invoice from American Rock Salt Company, LLC to letter H of the agenda and also a Memorandum of Understanding between Lewis Township and Warrior Run School District as letter J, both under New Business.

A motion was made by Ricky Dyer, seconded by Thomas J Marshall and passed to approve the minutes from the September 1, 2021 Supervisors Regular Monthly Meeting as written.

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**Public Comment on Agenda items**

No comments

**Township Reports**

***Supervisors***

Vice-Chairman Ricky Dyer announced that the Township received a letter of resignation of Township Supervisor and retirement of Township Roadmaster submitted by Willard Murray effective October 1, 2021. A motion was made by Ricky Dyer, seconded by Thomas J Marshall and passed to accept the resignation and retirement of Willard Murray from his positions as Supervisor and Roadmaster.

The Supervisors will accept letters of interest from residents of the Township who desire to fulfill the vacancy for the remainder of the term by submitting a letter to the Township Secretary by Wednesday, October 20, 2021. The Supervisors will hold interviews with all those interested and will appoint a Supervisor at their November meeting.

Ricky Dyer also reported that ditches have been cleaned and pipe replaced on Gold Road, equipment repair and winter prep under way and also intend to do more ditch cleaning and pipe installation.

Tom Marshall requested that pot holes on 1<sup>st</sup> ad 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Pleasant View Estates be taken care of and also wanted to know the status of the on-lot systems on WR Blvd and Trent Road. The Secretary will follow up with Jim Sanders.

### ***Treatment Plant Operator***

Operator Jason Koch commented that the plants are operating fairly well with a few issues of hydraulic loading from the school district and heavy rains lately.

### ***Secretary/Treasurer***

Secretary/Treasurer Lucinda R. Bomberger reported the following:

1. State Pension Aid was deposited into the General Fund on September 28, 2021 in the amount of \$8,072.14. The State Aid Funds will be transferred to the Township's Pension through AXA Equitable on October 12, 2021.
2. As Chief Administrative Officer of the Township's Pension Plan, the Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for 2022 was prepared and signed for the Pension file in the amount of \$86,280.00. (Estimated payroll for 2022)
3. State Fire Relief Aid was deposited into the General Fund on September 21, 2021 in the amount of \$9,842.41. A check will be sent to Warrior Run Area Fire Department in that same amount on October 7, 2021.

### ***Planning Commission***

Recording Secretary Lucinda R Bomberger shared that the Planning Commission had a meeting Tuesday October 5, 2021 due to not having a quorum for their September 23, 2021 meeting. The Planning Commission reviewed the draft Solar Energy Ordinance as requested by the Supervisors and have prepared comments and recommendations and plan to review and finalize at their next meeting. The Planning Commission also briefly talked touched on the Village Center Zoning and will continue discussion next meeting. The Wenger Group Land Development was also reviewed and it was recommended that conditional approval be given contingent on satisfaction of the Township Engineer's review and recommended waiving comments 5 b & c regarding the financial security.

### ***Fire Board Representative***

Representative Ricky Dyer shared Chief Funk's Fire Report for the month of September 2021. Rick also shared that the Fire Department is requesting the all the municipalities in the cooperative adopt an ordinance that would allow for billing, fines and enforcement of a nuisance automatic fire alarms. The Township will give consideration upon researching the state code.

### ***Old Business***

No action was taken on Old Business items

### ***New Business***

A motion was made by Ricky Dyer, seconded by Thomas J Marshall and passed to adopt Ordinance 2021-7, a Local Government Unit Debt Act Ordinance to provide financing the PennVest for the Schell & Koch Road Sewer Project in a loan amount of \$1,002,000.00.

A motion was made by Ricky Dyer, seconded by Thomas J Marshall and passed to approve a Debt Statement and Borrowing Base Certificate upon receipt of the Township and review of the Township Secretary and Chairman of the Board.

A motion was made by Ricky Dyer, seconded by Thomas J Marshall and passed to authorize award of the following contracts to the apparent low bidders for the Schell & Koch Road Sewer Project contingent on the following items:

- Coordination with PennVest regarding Project funding/timing;
- Satisfactory HRG review of the bids received for the conformance with Project Documents;
- And receipt of properly executed bonds, agreements and proof of insurance from the apparent low bidders.

**Contract 21-1:** General Construction: DOLI Construction Corporation in the amount of \$292,333.00

**Contract 2021-2:** Electrical Controls and Building: Tra Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$66,500.00

**Contract 21-3:** Sewer Mains Construction: PACT ONE, LLC in the amount of \$843,148.00

A motion was made by Ricky Dyer, seconded by Thomas J Marshall and passed to approve the temporary construction easement between Lewis Township and the Estate of Nellie Fulmer for the Schell & Koch Road Sewer Project.

A motion was made by Ricky Dyer, seconded by Thomas J Marshall and passed to approve the Wenger Group Land Development conditional on the satisfaction of Township Engineer's review comments and final legal and engineer review.

A motion was made by Ricky Dyer, seconded by Thomas J Marshall and passed to authorize payment of the following invoices to be paid from the Lewis Township State Fund:

Invoice # 1013617: \$54,454.92\_Russel Standard Corp.

Invoice # 0677828: \$1,733.18\_American Rock Salt Company, LLC

Invoice # 0677751: \$1,743.80\_American Rock Salt Company, LLC

Invoice # 0678153: \$1,770.00\_American Rock Salt Company, LLC

A motion was made by Ricky Dyer, seconded by Thomas J Marshall and passed to approve a 2 Year Penn Power Service Agreement for the Wastewater Treatment Plant, Trent Road Pump Station and Five Points Small Flow Plant for Period 10/1/2021 – 9/30/2023 in the amount of \$1,289.00/Year.

A motion was made by Ricky Dyer, seconded by Thomas J Marshall and passed to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Lewis Township and Warrior Run School District regarding

direction of construction traffic, signage and road restoration related to the district's construction project and use of Warrior Run Blvd.

A motion was made by Ricky Dyer, seconded by Thomas J Marshall and passed to authorize payment of bill for the month of October 2021.

**Public Comment**

Douglas Potter commented that he felt the Township should advertise the Supervisor Vacancy in a local paper so residents may be informed that Township is taking letters of interest other than those in attendance of the meeting. Solicitor Dewald said that it is not required that the Township do so. Supervisor Ricky Dyer asked if the Secretary would post it on the Township website. Lucinda said that she would.

Douglas Potter also commented that the all bidders and results should be recorded in the minutes for the Schell & Koch Road Sewer Project.

Brian Stackhouse asked if the Township has looked into Comcast for phone and internet service. Comcast has a good offer right now.

A motion was made by Ricky Dyer, seconded by Thomas J Marshall and passed to adjourn the meeting at 4:48 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lucinda R. Bomberger  
Lewis Township Secretary