

**Rochester Township Commissioners**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**April 18, 2024**

**Call to Order:** Chairman Lucci called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call:**

**Present:** Michael Lucci, Chairman; Michael Mamone Jr., Vice Chairman  
Commissioner: Dennis Iannini  
Dave Kovac, Township Engineer; Melissa Carpenter, Township Secretary

**Via Phone:** Stephen Chesney, Township Solicitor

**Also Present:** Myron Rajter, Public Works

**Absent:** Steven Anthony, Dale Daman

**Minutes:**

**Motion** by Mr. Iannini to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2024 Work Session Meeting. Second by Mr. Mamone. Motion carried 3-0.

**Committee Reports:**

**Motion** by Mr. Mamone to accept March committee reports as submitted. Second by Mr. Iannini. Motion carried 3-0.

**Engineer's Report:**

Mr. Kovac reported the 2024 Road Program is out for bid.

**Old Business:**

Pulaski Township Paving Agreement draft is in the packet for review.

**Motion** by Mr. Iannini to approve the Pulaski Township Paving Agreement. Second by Mr. Mamone. Roll call vote: Mr. Iannini-yes; Mr. Mamone-yes; Mr. Lucci-yes. Motion carried 3-0.

**Motion** by Mr. Mamone to approve the request of RABS and STM to use the ballfield for practices. Second by Mr. Iannini. Motion carried 3-0.

**Motion** by Mr. Mamone to advertise the International Property Maintenance Code Ordinance. Second by Mr. Iannini. Roll call vote: Mr. Mamone-yes; Mr. Iannini-yes; Mr. Lucci-yes. Motion carried 3-0.

**Motion** by Mr. Iannini to advertise the Dumpster Ordinance. Second by Mr. Mamone. Roll call vote: Mr. Iannini-yes; Mr. Mamone-yes; Mr. Lucci-yes. Motion carried 3-0.

**Solicitor's Report:**

Solicitor Chesney is almost finished with the baseball agreement. Mr. Chesney said that in the Zoning Ordinance there are certain uses that properties have and if you don't account for that particular use in the zoning it becomes a conditional use which would be approved by the Planning Commission. Mr. Chesney suggested that we do an ordinance that would allow for those uses to have special exception hearing before the Zoning Hearing Board that would allow for that use in a zoning district the Zoning Hearing Board chooses. The Board of

Commissioners would have the ability to appeal that decision if it was something controversial. Mr. Kovac agreed with Mr. Chesney because special exceptions can be vague.

Solicitor Chesney spoke with the California Ave., property owner and he is willing to work with us over the water issue. Mr. Chesney would like to schedule a meeting with him, along with Mr. Kovac and Mr. Rajter to discuss rerouting the water.

**New Business:**

Discussion on Sherwin Williams Street Vacation Request. Mr. Iannini questioned who is responsible for any septic systems on the property. Mr. Kovas replied that if Sherwin Willaims owns the property that would be their responsibility to have the septic system removed. Mr. Chesney would like us to do PA One Call to see if there are any utilities in the paper street and roadway.

**Motion** by Mr. Lucci to schedule a Street Vacation Hearing for Sherwin Williams on May 16, 2024 at 5:30pm if they can provide the necessary information by then, the alternate date would be June 20, 2024 at 5:30pm. Second by Mr. Mamone. Motion carried 3-0.

**Motion** by Mr. Iannini to approve the cost of advertising for the Street Vacation Hearing. Second by Mr. Mamone. Roll call vote: Mr. Mamone-yes; Mr. Iannini-yes; Mr. Lucci-yes. Motion carried 3-0.

**Motion** by Mr. Mamone to approve payment of bills as reviewed by the Township Board of Commissioners. Second by Mr. Iannini. Roll call vote: Mr. Iannini-yes; Mr. Mamone-yes; Mr. Lucci-yes. Motion carried 3-0.

**Remarks of Citizens:**

Gina Teams – asked if we vacate part of a street do we lose Liquid Fuels money for that portion. Mr. Kovac replied that we would submit the plan to Liquid Fuels and they will update the mileage.

Lou Lombardo – stated the VFD did a great job at the fire on East Washington St.

**Motion** by Mr. Mamone to adjourn to executive session at 6:25pm. Second by Mr. Iannini. Motion carried 3-0.

**Motion** by Mr. Iannini to adjourn out of executive session at 7:30pm. Second by Mr. Mamone. Motion carried 3-0.

**Motion** by Mr. Mamone to adjourn the meeting at 7:30pm. Second by Mr. Iannini. Motion carried 3-0.

*Minutes prepared by Melissa Carpenter*

*Minutes submitted to BOC for review on April 19, 2024.*

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Michael Lucci, Chairman  
Board of Commissioners

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Date

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Melissa A. Carpenter, Secretary