

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
October 6, 2021

- Call to Order: The Regular Meeting of the Greene Township Board of Supervisors, held in the Municipal Building on Brink Hill Rd., Greentown, PA was called to order by Chairman, Gary Carlton at 7:00pm, who lead the audience with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Adopt Agenda: Mr. Carlton made a motion to add ARPA Funds for the purpose of discussing eligible premium pay to the agenda. Mr. Krautter seconded, voice vote, motion carried.
- Action on Minutes: Mr. Obert made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on September 1, 2021. Mr. Krautter seconded, voice vote, motion carried.
- Announcement of Meetings: None.
- In Attendance: Chairman: Gary Carlton, Supervisor: Gerald Obert, Supervisor: Barry Krautter, Solicitor: Jeffrey Treat, Treasurer: Sandra Oziemblo, Secretary: Amanda Seagraves.
- Visitors: Gretchen Finney: Mrs. Finney explained that she has a huge issue with the owners of the property neighboring hers. They put in a commercial gun range and are shooting all day and even at night. This spooks her horses and causes a lot of noise issues for her family. She has tried to resolve the issue with the owner and he said he would comply; however, no attempts for resolution have been made on his part and he is now not responding to her efforts. Mr. Treat stated that it is extremely difficult to regulate a shooting range with ordinances, and even zoning, which Greene Township does not have an adopted ordinance for. He said that even if the township adopted an ordinance, it would be nearly impossible to enforce.
Mike and Merilee Ulsny: Observing.
- Solicitor: Jeffrey Treat explained that he drafted a Notice to Defend in regards to the violation at 265 Wallenpaupack Drive. He needs checks from the township for the filing fees and he needs Sewage Enforcement Officer, Glen Martin, to sign the notice. Mr. Carlton made a motion for the township to send the appropriate fees and have Mr. Martin sign. Mr. Krautter seconded, voice vote, motion carried.
- Road Report: Mr. Obert stated that the road crew has been working to clear ditches and get water off the roads from the recent storms. Leaf blowing is caught up, but will continue as new leaves come down during the season.
- SEO Report: Report received from Glen Martin. See Solicitor.
- Solid Waste/Sign Report: Reports received from Edward Geisler.
- Unfinished Business:
- a. **Ambulance** – The board reviewed an email sent from Pike County regarding them matching a township contribution for ambulance services up to 2 mils. Mr. Treat explained that any tax over .5 mils must be put on the election ballot for the taxpayers to vote on. The board discussed seeing what other townships are doing. This matter has been tabled.
- New Business:
- a. **Fire Relief Funds** – Mrs. Oziemblo explained that we have received the funds for the Foreign Fire Tax in the amount of \$24,928.04. Mr. Carlton made a motion to award half to Greene-Dreher Volunteer Fire Company and the other half to Promised Land Volunteer Fire Company. Mr. Obert seconded, voice vote, motion carried.
 - b. **USDA Intergovernmental Review Form – The Escape** – Mr. Treat advised the board to allow DEP to handle this and only do what is minimally required. Mr. Carlton made a motion to do the minimum required. Mr. Krautter seconded, voice vote, motion carried.
 - c. **The Pike County Developmental Center – Donation Request** – Since there are two (2) Greene Township residents that are serviced by the center, they are requesting a donation. The board will evaluate a possible donation at the meeting for the 2022 budget review.
 - d. **Lake Russell Road Weight Limit – Garbage Trucks** – In December 2020 a letter was sent to County Waste and a phone call was made advising them that the township would be erecting a 20-ton weight limit sign for the bridge on Lake Russell Road and they should take alternate routes. In September 2021, they were contacted again with this information because they were still using this route with trucks that are over the weight limit. The board asked Mrs. Seagraves to send them a final notice letter advising them that if they do not cease to use this route that the township will take action.
 - e. **Municipal Building Roof & Gutters** – Mr. Krautter explained that the municipal building roof is leaking and needs to be recalced. Mrs. Seagraves will contact local roofing companies for quotes.
 - f. **Set Budget Meeting** – The board agreed to set a special meeting for the purpose of the 2022 budget for Friday, October 22, 2021 at 7:00am at the municipal building.
 - g. **ARPA Funds** – Under the eligible uses for the ARPA Funds, premium pay is listed for the employees who perform in person work, interact with others at work, or physically handle items handled by others. Mr. Carlton made a motion to pay the employees for essential work performed during the pandemic in 2020 as allowed by the US Treasury’s guidelines. Mr. Obert seconded, voice vote, motion carried.

Adjournment: Mr. Carlton made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Obert seconded, voice vote, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:51pm. The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 3, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Seagraves
Secretary/Alternate Treasurer