

NORTH EAST TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
MEETING
MONDAY JULY 1, 2024
7:30 PM

Chairman Fredrick Shunk called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also, in attendance were Supervisors August Neff and Russ LaFuria, Attorney Tim Wachter, and Secretary Erica Carlstrom.

Chairman Shunk asked for public comments or concerns, Paul Crowe requested when we have any public notices we email them to him as he will also put them on his website to help get the word out to residents. A motion from August Neff and the second from Russ LaFuria approved the minutes of the June 17th, 2024, meeting as presented and passed by unanimous vote. Secretary Erica Carlstrom presented the Treasurer's report for the month of June 2024 and by a motion from Russ LaFuria and the second from August Neff was accepted as presented and passed by unanimous vote. Bills were presented for June 17th – June 30th, 2024 for approval and payment as follows:

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| General Fund Checks | #3286-3308 | \$ | 66,063.11 |
| General Fund Debits | Ach's | \$ | 1,015.29 |
| Water Fund Checks | #2750-2764 | \$ | 179,996.01 |
| Sewer Fund Checks | #2633-2646 | \$ | 80,445.23 |

Total approved by a motion from August Neff and the second from Russ LaFuria was \$326,504.35 and passed by unanimous vote.

Correspondence: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

Ordinance No. 2024-001; Motor Vehicle Weight Limitation and Bonding Ordinance of North East Township. No motor vehicles with gross weight in excess of the weight limits stated on certain roads located within the Township shall be operated. The following roads would be posted with a 10 ton weight limit; Bort Road, Archer Road, East Law Road, and South Washington Street. Emergency vehicles would be exempt from the restrictions posted. A motion of approval to sign and pass Ordinance No. 2024-001 was made by Fredrick Shunk and the second from Russ LaFuria. Passed by unanimous vote.

North East resident Marilyn Tyson is requesting the Supervisors to consider putting veteran banners up within the Township on utility poles like they have in the Borough. She stated the Borough has no more space available to accommodate the banners and she currently has a waiting list of families that would like to recognize relatives that have served in the

military. She had thought putting them on the utility poles along route 20 would be a good placement for them, however Supervisor August Neff is worried it may cause a distraction for drivers trying to read the banners and instead suggested to place them around the Gravel Pit on the poles. Township Supervisor Russ LaFuria asked who is responsible for the purchasing of the banners and materials to hang them. Marilyn stated the banners are purchased by the families and the brackets to hang them would be the Townships responsibility. August Neff stated he would look into the cost of either purchasing the brackets or the cost to make them and would report back to the other Supervisors.

The North East Township Planning Commission presented to the Supervisors a completed draft of the Townships ordinance and zoning map for update and review. Jay Jobczynski explained that it is a draft so if the Supervisors have anything they would like added or changed that it could still be done. Supervisor Russ LaFuria asked if there was a review period at which point Township Solicitor Tim Wachter replied it would be whenever the Supervisors are ready and at that point we would need to advertise for a public hearing.

Supervisor Fredrick Shunk would like to give Jacob Gilbert a raise \$1.15/hour raise for the completion of his 90 days. He feels he's doing a great job and has even gotten his water license. Fredrick made a motion to approve the pay raise with the second motion from Russ LaFuria. All in favor.

August Neff reported on the Township Clean Up Days as all reports were in and invoices paid. The total cost to the Township was \$12,449.88, which is very comparable to last years numbers. He felt things went good and the only thing he'd like to do is advertise sooner as to when it'll be happening next year to get the word out. He's hoping to be able to have a date set for next year in the near future.

Township Solicitor Tim Wachter talked about Mellon Heritage Foundations tax assessment appeal with Erie County. There was a hearing held at the court house which no one from Mellon showed up to so at this point the property values would stay the same. If they do go for another appeal the Township will need to decide if we'd like to keep it taxed or allow them to be tax exempt.

Roads Supervisor August Neff reported that the new tarp on the salt barn has been replaced but he does have a question on it once he gets that answered we will get it filled with salt. The North East Marina Authority reached out requesting a back hoe and an operator from the Township to help put the docks in at the Marina. They are thinking it would probably be the week of July 15th. Supervisor Russ LaFuria agreed it to be a good idea to assist the Authority in doing this as we want to see them succeed.

Water and Sewer Supervisor Fredrick Shunk wanted the residents to know that the Annual Drinking Water Quality Report was filed with the DEP and notices will be mailed out with their bills this coming week.

Administrative Supervisor Russ LaFuria wanted to remind residents that the Township offices and garages would be closed on Thursday July 4th and Friday July 5th for the Fourth of July holiday, he also stated the offices will be closing at 2 pm on Wednesday July 3rd.

After announcements and with all business concluded, a motion to adjourn at 8:15 PM was received from Russ LaFuria. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Erica Carlstrom, Secretary