

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Herrick Township Board of Supervisors was held Monday, March 7, 2022 at the township building. Chairman Brian Zembrzycki called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Supervisors Bernard J. Zembrzycki and Nancy Harvatine were also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved on motion of Brian Zembrzycki and seconded by Bernard J. Zembrzycki. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

The following treasurer's report was read:

General Fund Checking Balance 1/31/22	\$157,370.52
February Receipts:	30,368.06
February Berkheimer	14,143.74
Interest	13.32
February Real Estate Transfer	5,551.70
Absolute Auction refund	9,900.00
Zoning Hearing (Knight)	300.00
Building permit	459.30
February expenses	27,601.37
General Fund Checking Balance 2/28/22	\$160,137.21
(\$105,623.46 is Act 13 monies)	

Act 13 Funds PS Bank MM Balance 1/31/2022	\$23,869.37
January interest	9.59
Act 13 Funds PS Bank MM Balance 2/28/22	#23,878.96

Highway Aid Checking Balance 1/31/22	\$1,900.21
Interest	.19
Refund from General Funds for Absolute Auction	5,400.00
February expenses	5,400.00
Highway Aid Checking Balance 2/28/22	\$1,900.40

Equipment Balance 12/31/2021	\$5,400.83
January 2022 expense	5,400.00
Reimbursement of equipment fund	5,400.00
February equipment expense	5,400.00
Equipment Balance 2/28/2022	\$.83

HNB NOW Acct. (American Rescue Funds) Balance 1/31/22	\$35,690.80
February interest	2.74
HNB NOW Acct. (American Rescue Funds) Balance 2/28/22	\$35,693.54

HNB Holding Tank Escrow Account Balance 1/31/22	\$4000.50
Interest	.31
HNB Holding Tank Escrow Account Balance 2/28/22	\$4,000.81

The treasurer's report was approved on motion of Brian Zembrzycki and seconded by Bernard J. Zembrzycki. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

The following bills were presented for approval and payment:

General Fund Bills:	
#14759 PP&L 115.56	#14767 Little & Nelson 12.00

941 Taxes 729.56
#14760 NE Pa. Tel. Co. 110.29
Pa. Dept. of Revenue 134.18
#14761 Industrial Electronics 36.00
#14762 Sharkey Fuels 425.79
#14763 Forest City News 62.75
#14764 Cube Auto Supply 125.00
#14765 Briechle Law Offices 12730.55
#14766 NEIC 284.25
Checks \$131.80
Total General Funds Bills: \$44,995.98

#14768 Susq. Co. Twp. Officials 60.00
#14769 Nancy Harvatine 76.30
#14770 Mar-Paul Const. 27,014.54
#14771 Brian Zembrzycki 519.60
#14772 Bernard J. Zembrzycki 673.32
#14773 Anthony Harvatine 268.17
#14774 Nancy Harvatine 796.02
#14775 John Watts 160.98
#14776 Justin Ford 529.32

Highway Aid Bills:

#2590 Marshall Machinery \$14,500.00

Brian Zembrzycki made a motion seconded by Bernard J. Zembrzycki to approve the bills with the exception of Stephen Knash's bill. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

Weather report for February as prepared by Wayne Chudleigh showed monthly precipitation of 3.79 inches. Total snow for the month was 2.75 inches and for the season 22.5 inches.

There was no report from EMC Joe Rossi.

The secretary reported that the planning commission met February 8 with a phone consultation with Carson Helfrich and discussed the proposed short term rental ordinance. Notices about the proposed ordinance were sent in every tax notice.

SEO John Watts sent reports for January and February.

SEO Justin Ford's report showed a permit issued for Bryan Kuruts and a pending permit for a holding tank for Kelly Statkun.

Curtis Zweier was present and submitted a new plan for his property at Lewis Lake. The house will be moved back towards the road and driveway making the setback further from the lake. Brian Zembrzycki made a motion seconded by Bernard J. Zembrzycki to approve the new plans for Curtis Zweier's home at Lewis Lake. Motion carried on unanimous vote,

A letter dated February 24, 2022 was read from DEP to Ararat Township stating that Ararat has failed to address various violations and has not responded to their letter of November 18, 2021. Ararat Township Solicitor Marissa McAndrew informed Herrick that Ararat has hired a new individual to work in maintenance at the plant and they are working with DEP to address the issues raised by DEP.

Email dated March 3, 2022 was read from sb residents against development concerning property owned by Jim Alberti on Svecz Road. The letter asked that any and all fines be levied against Mr. Alberti as he has not applied for permits with the county conservation district, etc. Email dated March 7, 2022 was received from Don Hibbard, Susq. Co, Conservation District indicating that an inspection was held on March 3 and violations

were issued for having no written E & E plan on site. A driveway permit application was left at the township building and Brian Zembrzycki will review it.

The supervisors recommended that the Zoning Hearing Board hire their own solicitor. Atty. Paul Litwin from Tunkhannock has been recommended. Wayne Chudleigh and Nancy Ross expressed their opposition to hiring an attorney.

Correspondence received as follows:

NEIC - PA has adopted the 2018 Uniform Construction Codes

County Assessment office – certified real estate values of \$38,993,800

County Treasurer – Joseph J. Svecz, Jr. has made his returns in full for 2021

Penn DOT – liquid fuels payment of \$86,899.16 has been direct deposited

County Assessment office – additions and exonerations

Pleasant Mt. Emergency Services - ambulance report for 2021 showing 240 calls

Notice dated February 17, 2022 was received from Coterra with proposed revision to the J. Reilly gas well pad in Gibson Township.

Audit by Attorney General's office will be held March 28 for 2021 liquid fuels funds.

A zoning hearing will be held on March 8 at 6:00 p.m. for the request of Richard Knight for a variance on setbacks.

Brian Zembrzycki stated that he and Bernard J. Zembrzycki went to the Speakeasy where vehicles owned by Hornbeck Chevrolet are being stored. Jeff Durante said the vehicles would be gone in a week. No zoning permit was issued for this activity.

Lori Allen, general manager of VOFS, asked if there had been any submissions from Elk Mt. There are none at this time.

Brian Zembrzycki made a motion seconded by Bernard J. Zembrzycki to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried on unanimous vote. Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Nancy Harvatine, Herrick Township Secretary