

As advertised in the Journal Herald newspaper, the Packer Township Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, December 3, 2024 at the township building. Bob Selert called the meeting to order and roll call was taken. All were present.

The meeting was opened to the floor. John DeCusatis presented his company's Municipal Code services. He mentioned that his name is still listed on the Labor & Industry website as the Township's Building Code Official. Stephanie will notify L & I. John continued to explain that he started a new business based out of Hazleton. He is doing building code services so he does the same services that he had when he worked for Barry Isett. Clients he recently acquired are Lausanne Township and Beaver Meadows, right on either side of Packer Township. They do UCC building inspections and as a supplementary they do zoning, property maintenance and rental type work. They also do flood plain management. It is veteran owned and local. Ten percent of all commercial permits go to their non-profit and are used to do projects in the area with governments we help serve. They help with things like a grant match or a clean-up project.

The minutes from were approved with a motion from Susie Gerhard and Terry Davis seconded the motion. Bob Selert agreed. Vote 3-0.

**Ordinances and Resolutions** –Bob Selert made a motion to authorize advertising of ORDINANCE NO. 01-25 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2A-03 OF 2003 SETTING FORTH GUIDELINES AND AMOUNT OF COMPENSATION FOR SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PACKER. Susie Gerhard seconded the motion and Terry Davis agreed. Vote 3-0

**Reports of Officials and Committees –**

Barry Isett & Associates – Permit/Zoning & Code Enforcement Officer- Zoning: November 5, 2024: Prepared monthly report and sent to Stephanie for BOS meeting; Met with Mr. Dulcey at the property, he is planning on spreading gravel on an existing road. The road appears to be existing and hardpacked.

**November 13, 2024:** Review and approval of zoning permit application for grain bin at 1509 Round Head Drive - permit emailed to applicant; review of zoning application for pole building at 250 Tower Road - zoning approved pending UCC permit approval.

**November 14, 2024:** Review and approval of zoning permit application for deck at 147 Brenkman Drive.

**November 21, 2024:** Phone call with Mr. Dulcey and composed and sent an email to his attorney.

**November 26, 2024:** Returned phone calls concerning noise from neighbors shooting guns. Complainant has a hearing disability, and their neighbor is firing guns in the safety zone and are not complying with the PA Game Commission. I will research the Noise Ordinances. Spoke with Phil Prout and we feel that it is a PAGC issue, but I will follow up with the complainant; prepared zoning denial letter for the Residential Short-Term Rental use at 419 Sand Spring Road; review and approval of zoning permit for shed at 5197 Quakake Road.

**PA UCC: November 7, 2024:** An application was received for a pole building at 250 Tower Road – Zoning and PA UCC permits were approved and sent to the Township for dissemination on 11/20/2024.

Bob Selert made a motion to enter the report into the minutes. Susie Gerhard seconded the motion and Terry Davis agreed. Vote 2-0

Bill Brior – Sewage Enforcement Officer – Absent. No report.

**Old Business** – Bob Selert made a motion to award a bid for the Grist Mill Road Storm Sewer Improvement project to Bruce George Excavating with a low bid of \$164,958.60. Susie questioned if it had been confirmed with Bruce George that the Township will purchase the pipes and boxes. Bob said it is all outlined in the contract. The Township will order and purchase the \$41,000 of pipes and boxes from a COSTARS supplier. Bruce George will put everything in. Susie Gerhard seconded the motion and Terry Davis agreed. Vote 3-0

The Use of Facilities application and agreement for events was tabled. Susie will work on it.

Bob Selert made a motion to approve the proposed 2025 budget as advertised. Susie Gerhard seconded the motion and Terry Davis agreed. Vote 3-0

Terry will be meeting with a company tomorrow to get an estimate on guardrail repairs on Round Head Road. It will be submitted to the drivers insurance for payment.

**New Business** – Bob Selert made a motion to adopt and advertise the 2025 meeting schedule. Susie Gerhard seconded the motion and Terry Davis agreed. Vote 3-0

Bob asked Stephanie to call window repair and replacements companies.

Bob Selert made a motion to grant conditional approval of the Hinkle II Lot Line Revision with waivers. Susie Gerhard seconded the motion and Terry Davis agreed. Vote 3-0

Bob attended the meeting for the PSATS Committee on Townships Under 2000 on November 19th. A couple of resolutions were presented. They will be on the agenda for the May meeting at the State Supervisors Convention. Some resolutions were renewed and there was discussion on paying for fire companies and ambulance services as well as bridges and road repair. Everyone is having the same problems as we are.

Bob Selert made a motion to approve the treasurer's report and Susie Gerhard seconded the motion. Terry Davis agreed. Vote 3-0

Bob Selert made a motion to sign and approve the checks drafted. Susie Gerhard seconded the motion and Terry Davis agreed. Vote 3-0

John Floyd said that Paul was asked to check the yard light in the back. We need a new light. Terry said Paul will get the bucket truck. Bob told John to have Paul get the light.

Bob Selert made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Susie Gerhard seconded the motion. Terry Davis agreed. Vote 3-0

The meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m. One resident attended the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Stephanie Stolpe  
Packer Township Secretary/Treasurer