**FEBRUARY 2025 MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Muncy Township Supervisors met in the Muncy Township Fire Hall on February 19, 2025. Gary Harmon, Denise Artley, Gwen Pidcoe, and Scott Williams were present. The meeting was called to order by Gary Harmon at 7:30 p.m.

RE-ORG MINUTES: Denise Artley motioned to approve the Re-Org minutes for 2025. Gary Harmon seconded the motion, Motion carried.

**PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

Denise Artley started to change November to December minutes. Gary Harmon motioned to approve January Minutes with the change. Denise Artley seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**:

Denise Artley motioned to approve the Treasurer’s report for January. Gary Harmon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES:**

**Review VIWY Restaurant project.** New restaurant by Starbucks changing lane from three lane to two lane. Larry Spatz stated that we agree with the recommendations made by the county and Dan Vassallo. We do have some concerns with the retaining wall being so close to the stormwater basin can we check with Dan on this? We are also concerned with the stairs coming from the upper parking lot to the lower parking lot for the employees. We would like to see some signage we do not see and on the plans and maybe a stop signs or some kind of light for safety. Also to keep our township nice and quant we would like to see some more trees, or something being planted and not all pavement.

Gwen Pidcoe stated that she will give the recommendations back to Dan Vassallo as well as Bohler.

Denise Artley asked how there are trees on the property like Europtic and then they cut them down and don’t replace them. How is this allowed?

Gary Harmon stated that he does not have the answer for that.

Larry Spatz stated that we just want to keep our township nice.

**PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEMS**:

Joe Merrick asked how many rentals this place has?

Gary Harmon stated that we do not rent the building.

Gwen Pidcoe stated that we cannot rent the building to make money, or we would have to pay taxes on said building.

Joe Merrick, so you have no rentals.

Gary Harmon stated that we cannot rent for profit.

Garry Jones questioned in the safety minutes it states about purchasing radios. Is there a timeline for this?

Gary Harmon stated probably around June or July.

Gary Jones stated do you have to vote on this.

Gwen Pidcoe stated that we do not it was already appropriate to use the ARP money to purchase radios and the dealer is a costars dealer.

Ann Smith asked why the county is not paying for radios.

Chris McKibben stated that the County did not implement the changes it is being done through the Federal Government they are changing radio frequencies. So, for all of us to be able to communicate with each other we have to update our radios.

Denise Artley stated that she called the county today and asked if a bunch of townships went together and petitioned the county to pay for the radio’s would they. They didn’t give me an answer.

**FIRE REPORT:** no report.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Report on file.

**ROAD MASTERS REPORT**: report on file

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**PERMIT OFFICER REPORT:** nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Resolution 2025-06 Tax Collector Fee Schedule;** This resolution is so the tax collector can charge fees for things like tax certifications. Gary Harmon motioned to approve the resolution. Denise Artley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**EHRLICH WEED SPRAYING CONTRACT: This** is for Ehrlich to spray along our roadways for weeds where we cannot mow. The price is $920, I believe last year it was around $900. Denise Artley motioned to approve the contract. Gary Harmon seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

**Nathan Haffer Sewage Module: This** property sits in both Wolf Township and Muncy Township. We approved the Sub-Division the beginning of last year. So, both Wolf Township and Muncy Township have to sign off on the sewage module for the new property. Gary Harmon motioned to sign the module. Denise Artley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**SAFETY COMMITTEE**:

* **SAFETY MINUTES**:

Denise Artley questioned why we need so many radios. Can’t they share?

Gary Harmon stated that the equipment is all mounted radio’s that the portables don’t always work in certain areas in the township.

Denise Artley motioned to approve the safety minutes for January. Gary Harmon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**REVIEW MONTHLY BILLS:** Denise Artley motioned to pay the monthly bills. Gary Harmon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

John Iseley asked if the ambulance membership was being sent out again this year.

Chief Oldweiler stated that they would be going out by the end of this month.

Joe Perry stated that he stopped into my office and that Gwen left me look at a printout of accounts that were broken down a little further than what we had. What all again is in the public safety section we do not have a breakdown of this information. It looks like from 2023-2024 there was a 75% increase.

Gwen Pidcoe stated that it is the Fire Company, Fire relief, things along this nature.

Terry Lauchle asked who wrote the spring newsletter?

Gary Harmon stated that the Supervisors approved it.

Terry Lauchle stated she asked who wrote it.

Gary Harmon stated that Gwen wrote it and gave it to the supervisors to review and make changes. Denise and Heath approved I did not get a chance to read the whole thing, but I trusted them and told Gwen to print it and mail.

Terry Lauchle so you didn’t approve it.

Gary Harmon stated that is not what he said. I approved it because I trust the other two supervisors and they gave their go ahead, so I also approved and told her to print and mail the letter.

Terry Lauchle it said that undocumented immigrant housing is false and a rumor. I have 12 newspaper articles here from the last couple of years that all say from Jason Fink Jon and Ara that they are putting housing in.

Gary Harmon stated that we have all seen the articles. We have talked to Jon and Ara; they have been to meetings, and we even had them send a letter stating that they are not putting in immigrant housing at the mall. So the letter is correct they are rumors being spread.

Terry Lauchle but the newspaper states they are, but it was Primcore that sent the letter not Famvest, do you even know if that will stand up in a court of law?

Gary Harmon I don’t care what the newspaper states the men have told me to my face on several occasions as well as here in a public meeting that that is not the plan. So, I will believe them over the newspaper any day.

Terry Lauchle says Ara.

Gwen Pidcoe does it state that Ara said?

Gary Harmon stated we are listening to the property owner and not the newspaper.

Ann Smith the District Website states that the property is planned to be developed into a diverse community with healthcare, commercial, housing and recreation.

Gary Harmon stated that he has not seen their website. It is not zoned in that area for housing period. They would have to get permission to do this through our zoning hearing board. Nothing has even been brought to the table yet.

Terry Lauchle says it on the District Website.

Gary Harmon stated that he is going off what the owners have said in our meetings as well as the letter that they have sent us.

Gary Jones stated that they would need to get a variance, they need permission. This is a widespread rumor.

Gary Harmon stated I am going to believe the property owner. They are planning which is commercial based not who is going to come to the area.

Genie Wines stated that her question was answered that it is not zoned for residential. They have not brought anything to the township so everything else is just rumor.

Terry Lauchle stated then if that is the case why did Gwen just last year go to state college to visit residential housing.

Gwen Pidcoe stated that they invited the supervisors and myself down to see a project that they were just finishing up to show us what kind of work that they do, and that they try to blend and fit with the community. Denise went down a few weeks later I do believe to look at the same project.

Ann Smith stated that in the newsletter it states that the tax collector is not losing pay and this is also false.

Gwen Pidcoe stated that this goes into effect for 2026 so unless you have a crystal ball that you will be re-elected it will not affect your pay. This is for the newly elected tax collector for 2026.

Ann Smith stated that she found 11 mistakes in the newsletter.

Gwen Pidcoe stated Ann I am so sorry that I am not perfect is anyone else in this room perfect.

Joe Merrick so this building is not being rented.

Bonnie Harmon stated that the change not to rent this building out was done three boards ago.

**Adjourn**. Gary Harmon asked for a motion to adjourn. Denise Artley seconded the motion to adjourn at 8:23 pm. Heath Ohnmeiss agreed. Motion carried.