

Benezette Township June 2024 Township Meeting Minutes

The Benezette Twp Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on June 4, 2024 at 6pm at the Benezette Twp Building, 105 School House Rd. Benezette PA. Present were supervisors Pam Mong, Amanda Maholtz and Tom Wilson. Please see the attached sign-in sheet for guests present. The meeting was held outdoors at the pavilion and supervisor Wilson began the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

Motion to accept May 2024 Township Meeting Minutes

First: Wilson Second: Maholtz Yes:3 Comments: None

Motion to accept May 2024 Township Treasurer's Report

First: Wilson Second: Maholtz Yes:3 Comments: Bob Davis asked about a couple of the sizable deposits to the general fund. It was explained that one was for taxes and one was for some grinder pump sales, because the grinder pump were purchased from the general fund.

Elk County Commissioner's Liquid Fuels Disbursement

Wilson stated that the township had \$6,000 available to them from this fund and thought that it should be used for gravel on Station Rd.

First: Wilson Second: Mong Yes:3 Comments: Bob Davis asked what the plans were for Medix Grade Rd.

Waste Management Contract Wilson explained that the garbage contract was expiring at the end of the month and the supervisors were waiting on quotes.

Mt. Zion Cemetery Donation Request A letter was received by the township asking for a donation. Supervisor Mong said that in the past the township donated \$100 to the Mt. Zion Cemetery. A motion was made to give them a \$100 donation.

First: Wilson Second: Maholtz Yes:3 Comments: None

Roadmaster's Report Mong asked the roadmaster Justin Arnold how much time a day he spends cleaning up trash and debris in the garbage area. Roadmaster Arnold said that it varies from 20 minutes to much longer.

Supervisor Wilson reminded residents that the dumpsters are not intended for building materials.

Township Public Forum Dee Chaney provided a School House Fund update and said there was no activity for May. Dee reminded people of the upcoming monthly flea market. Bob Davis recommended looking into getting a CPR class held at the township building and also looking into getting some life saving devices and volunteers in the community to help provide a quicker response to emergencies.

Township Portion of the Meeting Adjourned

First: Wilson Second: Maholtz Yes:3 Comments: None

June 2024 Benzette Twp Sewage Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept May 2024 Sewage Meeting Minutes

First: Wilson Second: Maholtz Yes:3 Comments: None

Motion to accept May 2024 Sewage Treasurer's Report

First: Wilson Second: Maholtz Yes: 3 Comments: None

Plant project updates Wilson stated that the replacement of the 2 Reed Beds was complete and that they are currently in the process of moving the flow meter. Wilson also stated that the EADS Group completed some testing that provides proof that a pump station is not going to be needed after the flow meter is relocated.

PA Municipal Services Ordinance Enactment The supervisors enacted an ordinance that was needed to outsource the sewage building which has been previously done in-house. Wilson explained that it should end up being cheaper to the township and will alleviate a lot of burden on the township secretary.

First: Wilson Second: Maholtz Yes:3 Comments: An attendee asked what changes would be made and stated that she will miss having the ability to pay with the drop box and doesn't like to see work outsourced from the township. Wilson responded that it will alleviate burden on the township. Dee Chaney asked when it will take effect, Wilson responded within a month or two after enacting the ordinance and stated that customers will be notified ahead of time. All 3 supervisors and township secretary signed and enacted the ordinance.

Sewage Public Forum Bob Davis asked Wilson if he turned in hours for planting the reeds in the reed beds at the sewage plant. Wilson responded that he did not. Bob Davis stated he asks as a resident of the township that Wilson turn hours in when he performs work.

Sewage Meeting Adjourned

First: Wilson Second: Maholtz Yes; 3 Comments: None