

## **Benezette Township Monthly Meeting Minutes July 2, 2024**

The Benezette Twp Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on July 2, 2024 at 6pm at the Benezette Twp Building, 105 School House Rd. Benezette, PA. Present were supervisors Amanda Maholtz and Tom Wilson. Supervisor Mong was not present. Please see the attached sign-in sheet for visitors present. Wilson began the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

### **Motion to accept June 2024 Township Meeting Minutes**

First: Wilson Second: Maholtz Yes:2 Comments: None

### **Motion to accept June 2024 Township Treasurer's Report**

First: Wilson Second: Maholtz Yes:2 Comments: None

### **Elk County Commissioner's Liquid Fuels Dispersment Project Update**

Wilson stated that the Commissioners have granted the gravel project for station road in the amount of \$6,000.

### **Waste Management Contract Update**

Wilson made a motion to choose to keep the existing service option in which residents will pay a rate of \$24.88/mo for the first year and \$26.62/mo for the second year. Camp owner rates will be \$9.90/mo for the first year and \$10.59/mo for the second year of the 2 year contract.

First: Wilson Second: Maholtz Yes:2 Comments: None

### **Solar Farms**

Wilson stated that the township was contacted by a party interested in putting in a solar farm in Benezette Twp. Wilson said that Supervisor Maholtz has started on research on what the township should do. Wilson said he would be reaching out to other townships to see how they were handling the situation and more research would need to be done. Wilson said his main concern was if the township could get any money out of solar farms and didn't want to miss out if there was an opportunity to do so. Resident Dot Trayer said that we may want to consider a stand-alone ordinance to help regulate Solar Farms. Wilson said the supervisors had a lot of research to do.

### **Walking Bridge**

Wilson stated that Supervisor Maholtz has been working on cutting back the brush on the footbridge in between School House Rd and the town of Benezette. Supervisor Maholtz stated that the bridge is in need of work.

### **Records Retention**

Supervisor Wilson said that there was a lot of old unorganized paperwork at the school house and that

Supervisor Maholtz will be tackling the project of sorting it and disposing of what can be legally disposed of and organizing what needs to be retained. Wilson said that there was a lot of paperwork and this would be a big project and may take a while. Supervisor Maholtz stated that there were certain legal processes and guidelines for doing this and Supervisor Maholtz read the Records Retention Disclosure.

**RoadMaster's Report**

Comments: None

**Township Public Forum**

Comments: Supervisor Maholtz let everyone know that the School House Fund Committee is sending out requests to property owners for financial help with doing repairs on the School House.

**Township Portion of the meeting adjourned**

First: Wilson Second: Maholtz Yes:2 Comments: None