

PALMER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
February 5, 2024
7:00 PM
GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

1. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approval of Minutes - January 22, 2024

INFORMATION

The Board needs to approve/disapprove the minutes of January 22, 2024.

- B. Disbursement of Funds - February 5, 2024

INFORMATION

The Board needs to approve/disapprove the disbursement of funds for February 5, 2024.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Honoring Our Planning Commission Members

INFORMATION

The Palmer Township Board of Supervisors is fortunate to have exceptional support from its Planning Commission. Tonight we would like to honor four of our most distinguished members as they retire from the Commission and embark on new adventures.

Robert "Bob" Blanchfield 33 years of service, from 1990-2023
Robert "Bob" Lammi 9 years of recent service, from 2014-2023
Robert "Bob" Walker 7 years of service, from 2016 to 2023
Charles "Chuck" Diefenderfer 3 years 2 months 2020-2023

We thank you for your many years of service.

- B. Staff Reports

INFORMATION

- Solicitor
- Township Manager
- Planning Director
- Township Engineer
- Public Services Director
- Public Works, Parks and Utilities Director
- Finance Director
- Police Chief

- Fire Commissioner

C. Animal Defenders Greater Lehigh Valley Presentation

INFORMATION

Sheryl Petrillo with Animal Defenders Greater Lehigh Valley previously made a presentation to the Board of Supervisors to consider a change to the township code to prohibit the sale of dogs, cats, rabbits, and guinea pigs in pet stores, and to prohibit the declawing of cats.

Sheryl provided ordinances recently adopted by our neighbors, Forks Township and The City of Easton.

Hal Warner, President and CEO of Lehigh Valley Humane Society and Vet Clinic has requested a decision from the Board.

D. Nurture Nature CREATE Resilience Hub Project Update

INFORMATION

Steve Gallagher and Kent Baird will update the Board on Palmer Township's attendance at the Nurture Nature meeting that was held on Thursday, February 1, 2024.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Chapter 147 Sewer Code Ordinance Update - Request to Advertise

INFORMATION

In 2023 we tasked Entech Engineering with updating our tapping fee ordinance, (completed and adopted on June 19, 2023) as well as reviewing our "Chapter 147 Sewer Use Code" and offering comments for updating. The current update offered for review and approval for advertising, addresses outdated items such as, references to the Palmer Township Municipal Sewer Authority; Definitions that were duplicated and varied in the individual duplication; areas where fees were mentioned and were outdated, were updated to reference the "current Township Fee Schedule"; clearing up areas where there was too much room for interpretation, such as illegal connections to include sump pump connections and a home's down spout runs.

B. Radar Speed Sign Presentation and Discussion

INFORMATION

Phillip Godbout will make a presentation to the Board regarding Radar Speed Signs.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

6. REPORTS

Supervisors

7. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

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