

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING HELD  
April 18, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Butler Township Board of Commissioners was held on April 18, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Butler Township Municipal Building, 290 S. Duffy Road, Butler, PA 16001. The following Commissioners were present: Pres. Dave Zarnick, Vice-Pres. Sam Zurzolo, Commis. Wiest, Commis. James Lokhaiser, Jr. and Commis. Ed Natali.

Also present were Manager Tom Knights, Solicitor Rebecca Black, Dir. of Finance Cheryl McNeill, Dir. of Emergency Services Scott Frederick, Zoning Officer Jesse Hines, Chief of Police John Hays, Dir. of Public Works Dave Meeder, Engineer Dan Deiseroth and Student Representative Peyton Pry.

Pres. Zarnick called the meeting to order followed by a moment of silence and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pres. Zarnick stated that anyone taping the meeting is required to state their name. Ryan Saeler, Butler Radio Network, and Eddie Trazzini, Butler Eagle recorded the meeting.

*Commissioners' Reports*

Commis. Natali proved an update regarding a recall of certain smoke detectors.

Commis. Lokhaiser commented on the Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Butler County Chamber of Commerce on April 10 at Preston Park, indicated the restrooms at Preston Park are now open and recognized Student Representative Peyton Pry for all of her work.

Commis. Zurzolo commented on the Easter Egg Hunt.

Pres. Zarnick commented on the Easter Egg Hunt, the Earth Day project People's Gas employees performed and delivered a Certificate of Recognition to Peyton Pry for her efforts as Student Representative.

*Departmental Reports:*

Student Rep. Peyton Pry gave an update on Alameda Park's bocce court activities

Dir. of Emergency Services Scott Frederick provided details regarding the smoke detector recall.

Chief John Hays announced a drug take-back program being held at the police department.

Dir. of Public Works Dave Meeder provided updates on winter maintenance and glass recycling.

Pres. Zarnick asked for public comment on agenda items, there was none.

*New Business:*

Zoning Officer Hines presented the Romett Subdivision

Motion by Commis. Natali to grant a modification for odd shaped lots in the Romett Subdivision.

Second by Commis. Lokhaiser. The vote was Natali: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Commis. Natali to grant final approval of the Romett Subdivision.

Second by Commis. Lokhaiser. The vote was Natali: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Zoning Officer Hines presented the Wiest Subdivision

Motion by Commis. Natali to grant final approval of the Wiest Subdivision.

Second by Commis. Lokhaiser. The vote was Natali: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Abstain; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Zoning Officer Hines and Ron Olsen presented the Deshon Woods Subdivision

Motion by Commis. Natali to grant final approval of the Deshon Woods Development, LLC Subdivision contingent upon:

1. Compliance with Gateway Engineers letter dated March 28, 2022
2. Butler County Planning Commission review

Second by Commis. Wiest. The vote was Natali: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Zoning Officer Hines presented the Highfield Trails 100 Phase I resolution extension

Motion by Commis. Natali to pass a resolution extending the Highfield Trails 100 Phase I final approval until July 18, 2022.

Second by Commis. Lokhaiser. The vote was Natali: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Zoning Officer Hines presented the Agricultural Security Advisory Committee appointment

Motion by Commis. Natali to appoint David Schaffner to the Agricultural Security Advisory Committee.

Second by Commis. Zurzolo. The vote was Natali: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Manager Knights performed the bid opening for road resurfacing project. One bid had been received from Wiest Asphalt Products and Paving.

Wiest Asphalt Products and Paving's bid was \$313,102.49.

Motion by Pres. Zarnick to table the bid for review.

Second by Commis. Zurzolo. The vote was Natali: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Abstain; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Manager Knights presented the results of the 2022 Storm Sewer project bid opening which was held April 13, 2022 and the letter dated April 13, 2022 from Gateway Engineers recommending awarding the contract to the low bidder Holbein, Inc. in the amount of \$218,536.00.

Motion by Commis. Lokhaiser to award the 2022 Storm Sewer project contract to Holbein, Inc. in the amount of \$218,536.00.

Second by Commis. Zurzolo. The vote was Natali: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Manager Knights presented the Fire Code Ordinance. Solicitor Black acknowledged the Ordinance had been duly reviewed and legally advertised.

Motion by Commis. Lokhaiser to approve the Fire Code Ordinance.

Second by Commis. Natali. The vote was Natali: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Manager Knights presented a request to amend the March 21, 2022 motion to donate excess body armor to Indiana University of PA to now designate Ukrainian Relief as the donation recipient.

Motion by Pres. Zarnick to amend the March 21, 2022 motion to make Ukrainian Relief the recipient.

Second by Commis. Zurzolo. The vote was Natali: Yes; Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Dir. of Finance Cheryl McNeill presented the bills report for March; General Fund \$124,488.07, Highway Aid \$12,952.98, Park Development \$23,695.87, General Fund after March report \$42,875.99, Payroll \$439,883.42. Total bills \$643,896.33.

Motion by Commis. Lokhaiser to approve the bills report as presented.

Second by Commis. Natali. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; and Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Pres. Zarnick asked for any correspondence. There was none.

Public Comment:

Rep. Marci Mustello provided the Commissioners with her upcoming schedule of events being held in Butler Township.

Questions from the media were taken.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:29 PM

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