

**TAXPAYERS AGENDA OF THE PLAINS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MEETING OF NOVEMBER 10, 2022**

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**CALL TO ORDER TIME:** 7:00 P.M.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Gerald Yozwiak

**ROLL CALL:** Peter J. Biscontini, Esq., Ciro Cinti, Robert Sax, Thomas Shubilla, and Gerald Yozwiak.

The Sunshine Act requires that those in attendance be given the opportunity to comment before a vote is taken. Anyone wishing to comment on an issue is encouraged to notify the Board prior to roll call being taken on that issue. The Township policy is to limit comment to five minutes. Anyone requiring additional time is encouraged to make arrangements to meet with the Board at a later date. Additionally, all correspondence read or referred to is available at the North Main Street Municipal Building for public inspection during regular business hours. Note that the meeting is being recorded. At this time please turn off any cell phones to avoid disrupting the meeting.

**GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Motion to accept: **Minutes:** Board of Commissioner Regular Meeting of October 13<sup>th</sup>; Plains Township Planning Commission Meeting of October 6<sup>th</sup>; Plains Township Sewer Authority Meeting of September 15<sup>th</sup>; Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority Meeting of September 20<sup>th</sup>. Minutes of Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority Executive Committee Meeting of October 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Monthly Reports:** Police Department for October; Fire Department for October; EMA Coordinator for October; Zoning Permits Issued for September and October; Contractor Licenses Issued for September and October; Secretaries Report for October. **Payrolls** of the Administrative, Zoning Office, Department of Public Works and Recreation Departments. The **Treasurers Report for September:** General Fund Receipts **\$172,304.53**; General Fund Disbursements **\$1,264,025.78**; Total Ending Balance in the General Fund as of **10/31/2022** **\$1,889,057.82**.

**CORRESPONDENCE – None**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**POLICE – Biscontini – Letter of appreciation from Kingston Borough – Tim Minnick**

**FIRE – Certificates of Appreciation**

**DPW – October: 188.11 tons of garbage**

**RECREATION –**

**CHAIRMAN MESSAGE –**

**OLD BUSINESS**

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**NEW BUSINESS**

Motion to authorize payment of the **General Fund Bills** consisting of the **Utility Bills \$23,327.74; Regular Bills \$205,444.51** Total **\$228,772.25**.

Motion to hire Brandyn Faatz as a part time laborer in DPW at a rate of \$12.00 per hour and \$100 clothing allowance subject to successful completion of physical, post-employment offer testing and background check.

Motion to authorize payment to the City of Wilkes-Barre for our portion of the paving of Laird Street which is located in Plains Township at a cost of \$95,398.50. Liquid Fuels monies of \$52,000.00 will be used to offset the cost.

**SOLICITORS REPORT**

Motion to award the bid for the West Stanton Street Stormwater Project to Belles Property Management for the low base bid of \$22,597.00.

Motion to award the bid for the Clark Lane Inlet Replacement Project to Stell Enterprises, Inc. for the low base bid of \$10,486.00.

Motion to purchase a 2022 Dodge Ram 3500 Four Wheel Drive with Plow and Spreader upfit from Hondru Dodge at a total COSTARS cost of \$85,790.88.

Motion to accept the lease financing bid of 5.5% from FNCB Bank for the purchase of the 2022 Dodge Ram 3500 and authorize execution of any paperwork necessary subject to review and approval of the solicitor.

Motion to award the bid for the 2022 Paving Project to Don E. Bower, Inc. for the low base bid of \$134,445.90.

Motion to read and accept the first reading of the **2023 Budget**.

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>2023 TENTATIVE OPERATING BUDGET</b>
Real Estate Taxes	\$ 1,685,500.00
Taxes, Enabling Act	3,118,500.00
Licenses & Permits	728,600.00
Fines, Forfeits & Costs	45,200.00
Interest & Rents	11,000.00
Grants & Gifts	6,280,773.44
Department Earnings	405,000.00
Non-Revenue Receipts	601,000.00
Misc Revenue Receipts	163,000.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 13,038,573.44</b>

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**EXPENDITURES**

General Government	\$	356,700.00
Mun Bldgs/Offices		995,500.00
Tax Collection		7,275.00
Bldg, Regulations, Plan/Zone		318,850.00
Police Protection		2,062,647.94
Fire Protection		1,696,602.85
Health Services		6,925.00
Sanitation		437,449.44
General Services/Highways		1,435,640.29
General Services Main.		1,591,417.10
Parks & Recreation		253,016.00
Library Contributions		22,000.00
Principal/Interest -Unpaid Bills		1,212,711.13
Benefits, Payroll Taxes, Insurances		2,641,838.69
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>13,038,573.44</b>

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** – The next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be held December 8, 2022 7:00 P.M. The Administrative and Zoning Offices be closed on Thursday and Friday November 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. The DPW will be closed on Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup> in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday and Monday November 28<sup>th</sup>. Residents with Thursday garbage collection will have their garbage collected on Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Residents with Monday garbage collection, will have their garbage pick-up on Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>. Residents are reminded that there will be a six-bag limit after the holiday collection week of November 29<sup>th</sup> through December 1<sup>st</sup>. All other schedules remain the same.

**TAXPAYERS** (Time limit 5 minutes taxpayers must sign in).

**ADJOURNMENT**