

MEETING MINUTES OF THE PLAINS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
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CALL TO ORDER TIME: 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Thomas Shubilla

ROLL CALL: Present: Peter J. Biscontini, Esq., Ciro Cinti, Robert Sax, Thomas Shubilla.
Gerald Yozwiak not present for this meeting. Also Present: Attny. Stephen Menn
and Asst. Secretary Lynell Ent

-Plaque presentation to Pains American Legion. Plaque presented to Fran Pugh and the Plains American Legion Honor Guard by Commissioner Sax.

Secretary Read:

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 June 8th and Special Meeting of June 29th; Plains Township Planning Commission Meetings of May 4th and June 1st; Plains Township Recreation Board Meeting of June 5th; Plains Township Sewer Authority Meetings of March 16th, April 20th and May 18th. **Monthly Reports:** Police Department for June; Fire Department for June; EMA Coordinator for June; DPW Report for June; Zoning Permits for June; Contractors Licenses Issued for June; Secretaries Report for June. **Payrolls** of the Administrative, Zoning Office, Department of Public Works and Recreation Departments. **The Treasurers Report for June:** General Fund Receipts **\$864,385.55** General Fund Disbursements **\$792,866.83**; Total Ending Balance in the General Fund as of **6/30/2023 - \$3,827,423.01**. **For: Biscontini, Sax, Shubilla. Cinti Abstained from Recreation payroll for Michelle Waslasky, Hailey Oliver and Nino Cinti. motion married**

CORRESPONDENCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICE – Biscontini I would like to thank our officers specifically SGTS Lussi and Smith for their response to a kidnapping over the weekend due to the departments quick response the little girl was found within an hour. Our officers are participating in active shooter training, and the Department is participating in the Buckle Up PA and Aggressive Driver Programs. We would also like to thank Officer Ron Dombroski for his years of service to the community and wish him well and congratulations on his retirement. National Night Out will be held on August 1st.

FIRE – Sax reported 97 calls and 62 captain incidents for a total of 159 calls. Our new fire pumper is on order and will be ready in January of 2025. Would like to remind the Twp.

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residents that the department has smoke detectors available, contact the office to schedule to have them installed.

DPW – Shubilla 198.05 tons of garbage and 46.43 tons of Co-Mingled Recycling

RECREATION – Cinti would also like to thank Officer Dombroski for his service, he is a great officer. He reported the 8 9 10 girls softball team took the district title the last time they won was over a decade ago the girls did a wonderful job, they won a 1 nothing game. It was a phenomenal game. The boys 11-12 year old team won the District 16 and are moving on to sectionals. Summer Camp is going well with 50-70 kids per day, so glad the board has agreed to continue this camp for these kids.

CHAIRMAN MESSAGE – Shubilla would like to thank Biscontini for the reminder about National Night Out on August 1st. Commissioner Cinti for talking about summer camp I myself have visited the Summer Camp and the counselors have provided many fun activities for the kids this year. Warning to watch for the spotted lantern fly. I have seen and killed several in my yard this year. If you should come across any or a “nest” you should kill them, crush them or use alcohol or soapy water to kill them. Harris lantern fly spray works well to and can be purchased at Home Depot.

OLD BUSINESS none

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to authorize payment of the **General Fund Bills** consisting of the **Utility Bills \$37,818.67; Regular Bills \$262,360.67; Total \$300,179.34.**

For: Biscontini, Cinti abstain for Assured Partners bill due to business relations, Sax, Shubilla. motion carried.

Motion to authorize payment # 1 of the LSA Fire Pumper Project to Glick Fire Equipment Co. in the amount of \$400,000.00. **All For, motion carried.**

Motion to ratify the hiring of Megan Guarnari at a rate of \$10.00 per hour for a recreation summer camp counselor effective June 13, 2023. **By: Sax 2nd Cinti All For, motion carried**

Motion to accept a letter of retirement from Officer Ron Dombroski from the Plains Police Department and approve all retirement benefits entitled to as stated in the Collective Bargaining Agreement. **BY: Biscontini 2ND: Sax All for, motion carried.**

Motion to authorize reimbursement to Mark D. Iorio for overpayment of 2023 taxes on property located at 57 Cleveland Street in the amount of \$49.81 **BY: Sax 2ND: Cinti All for, motion carried.**

Motion to authorize reimbursement to Mark D. Iorio for overpayment of 2023 taxes on

property located on Cleveland Street in the amount of \$23.17. **BY: Biscontini 2ND: Sax All for, motion carried.**

SOLICITORS REPORT

Motion to ratify the execution of the contract with the Commonwealth Financing Authority for the Local Share Account DPW Garbage Packer Project. **BY: Cinti 2ND: Sax All for, motion carried**

Motion to ratify the execution of the contract with the Commonwealth Financing Authority for the Local Share Account East Mountain Boulevard Street Improvement Project. **BY: Sax 2ND: Biscontini All for, motion carried.**

Motion to ratify the execution of a letter of support for PA DEP for WWSA Growing Greener Grant Plus Program application for the proposed Mill Creek Street Project. **BY: Biscontini 2ND: Cinti For: Biscontini, Cinti, Shubilla, Sax abstained due to work motion carried,**

Motion to approve the Winter Service Agreement Year 4 of 5 with Penn Dot. **BY: Cinti 2ND: Sax All for, motion carried.**

Motion to award the bid for garbage bag contract 6P for a low bid of \$12.49 per case to Central Poly. **BY: Sax 2ND: Biscontini All for, motion carried.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS – The next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be held August 10, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.

TAXPAYERS

Robert Kaiser came to report that he received an answer from PennDOT on the jake brake issue on Saylor Ave. Penn Dot has agreed to ban usage on Main Street from E. Saylor to Courtright in both directions but they still have not agreed to ban from E. Saylor to River. He is going to keep on working on them and try to get something from Penny lane to River. He is going to propose Penny lane (entrance of Strawberry Fields) to River and North Main to Savoy.

ADJOURNMENT BY: Cinti 2ND: Shubilla All for, motion carried. Time: 7:21 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Lynell Ent
Assistant Secretary

Accepted by,



Thomas Shubilla
Vice-Chairman