

HICKORY TOWNSHIP  
 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
**March 4, 2024**

The regular monthly meeting of the Hickory Township Board of Supervisors held at the Hickory Township Municipal Building was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman, Christopher J. Fabian.

Supervisors Present: Christopher J. Fabian  
 Michael E. Hall  
 William W. Dean

Staff Present: Lisa Schlemmer - Secretary/Treasurer

Other Attendees: Dick Jones Gary Finley  
 Tom Houston

Supervisor Hall made a motion to accept the February 5, 2024 meeting minutes without correction. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Dean. All in favor. Motion carried.

The February Treasurer’s Report was read. Supervisor Dean made the motion to accept the Treasurer’s report and pay all regular, incoming bills and payroll. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

Report of Police Activities for the month of February: 15 property checks; 7 assist Fire/EMS/Other PD; 3 traffic related arrests; 3 traffic warnings; 1 burglary; 1 hazardous road conditions; 1 water main break; 2 suspicious person/vehicle; 1 recovered firearm; 1 domestic disturbance; 1 911 hang-up call (Total calls: 43)

**Building Permits:**

Applicant	Address	Proposed Improvement
Frank & Laurie Pollio	1766 Eastbrook Road	20’ x 10’ x 8’ lean-to addition to existing building

**Announcements:** The annual Lawrence County Tax Outreach will be in Hickory Township on April 15, 2024. Treasurer Rapone will be at the Hickory Township Municipal Building from 10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. to collect Lawrence County real estate taxes. Methods of accepted payment are cash, check or money order. Register & Recorder, Tammy Crawford will also be here.

The Hickory Township office will be closed March 11<sup>th</sup> – March 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Comments:** Dick Jones asked if the Township will be doing any road berming in the Township this year and expressed his opinion that Lakewood Road needs attention in that regard. Mr. Jones also complained about the condition of the Dillow property on S.R.108. The Zoning Officer detailed the efforts taken by the Township to get the property cleaned up such as magisterial hearings, hearings before the Court of Common Pleas, fines, etc.

Tom Houston voiced multiple questions about the Kingdom Place Highway Occupancy Permit on the agenda this evening. The Supervisors answered the questions posed by the public and there was a brief discussion. Should the Township be a co-applicant, the Township would be responsible for the installation and maintenance of 150’ of 24” storm water pipe lying within the PennDOT right-of-way along S.R. 108 in perpetuity. Townships have no right-of-way access along state routes. This is solely necessitated by storm water run-off created by the Kingdom Place development.

**Old Business:** Supervisor Fabian made a motion to take from the table and act on Kingdom Place’s request for the Township to apply as their Co-Applicant for a PennDOT Highway Occupancy Permit (HOP). Supervisor Hall seconded the motion. Supervisor Fabian made a motion to consider/discuss said request. The matter died due to lack of second.

Supervisor Fabian made a motion to table consideration of the zoning/code officer 2024 pay rate. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Dean. All in favor. Motion carried.

**New Business:** Supervisor Hall made a motion to continue participation in the annual COSTARS Sodium Chloride Contract for period of August 2024 – July 2025 with an estimated salt order of 100 short tons. This is the same contractual salt obligation as last year. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Fabian. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Township received quotes for tree trimming and deadwooding of hazardous overhanging trees along Bowden and Patton Roads from Marshall Tree Experts Inc., Richardson Tree & Landscape Co. and Davey Tree Service. Supervisor Hall made a motion to accept the bid of Marshall Tree Experts Inc. in the amount of \$20,664.87. Motion seconded by Supervisor Fabian. All in favor. Motion carried. Trees will be cut back to the edge of the Township right-of-way in a 90° angle with the sky, up to 62 feet high. All brush will be chipped and cleaned from the roadway. Cut wood will be left along the roadside in manageable pieces.

The Township received quotes to replace the damaged guide rail on McCaslin Road near the bridge. Supervisor Fabian made a motion to accept the bid of PennLine in the amount of \$4,818.75. Motion seconded by Supervisor Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Township awaits receipt of bid packets for proposed 2024 road work from the Township Engineer, thus no action can be taken at this time to approve bid posting. There is an issue with DEP approval for the under drain on Fairground Road

Supervisor Dean made a motion to adopt Resolution 2024-6 to proceed with the County Aid application to seek funding from the Lawrence County Liquid Fuels Program. Supervisor Fabian seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Fabian made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 P.M. Motion seconded by Supervisor Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.