

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
November 3, 2021

- Call to Order: The Regular Meeting of the Greene Township Board of Supervisors, held in the Municipal Building on Brink Hill Rd., Greentown, PA was called to order by Chairman, Gary Carlton at 6:59pm, who lead the audience with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Adopt Agenda: Mr. Obert made a motion to adopt the agenda. Mr. Krautter seconded; motion carried.
- Action on Minutes: Mr. Obert made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on October 6, 2021. Mr. Krautter seconded; motion carried. Mr. Obert made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting on October 22, 2021 for the purpose of the 2022 Budget. Mr. Krautter seconded; motion carried.
- Announcement of Meetings: None.
- In Attendance: Chairman: Gary Carlton, Supervisor: Gerald Obert, Supervisor: Barry Krautter, Solicitor: Jeffrey Treat, Secretary: Amanda Seagraves.
- Visitors: Edward Geisler: Mr. Geisler is attending for support and to congratulate Mr. Carlton on his re-election.
Allen Shiffler: Mr. Shiffler explained that the last big rain storm we had he wasn't able to make it out to check the roads. He did make it out the storm before that and everything had been okay. He also spoke with the company who we are purchasing his protective gear from and he has a fitting for the gear next week. The price has gone up \$94 since the quote was received. The company will bill the township for the cost of the equipment.
Patty Kellogg and Sonny Porreca: Mrs. Kellogg would like to submit a Request for Action form to the township. Mr. Porreca had questions about private roads. He asked if the township could take over the maintenance of Game Trail Road since a police officer had told him that it's not a private road. Mr. Treat explained that any road that is adopted by the township or owned by PennDOT is public, but all other roads are private. Since Game Trail Road is neither, it is a private road and it's the responsibility of those who live on that road to maintain it. He further explained that in September, Governor Wolf adopted a statute that the expense for maintenance shall be the responsibility of the property owners. Therefore, the association for this road should bill all residents who use the road for dues to pay for the maintenance.
Gretchen Finney: Mrs. Finney is following up on her concern from last month's meeting regarding the shooting range that is next to her property. She explained that she has finally been in contact with someone from the range and he explained that they are pricing sound barriers. Mrs. Finney is still concerned that the noise is dangerous in the meantime. Mr. Carlton said that like the junkyard ordinance the township has adopted, we should look into adopting an ordinance for shooting ranges. The township has to allow shooting ranges, but can require them to get a permit to reasonably regulate their activity to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the township's residents. Mr. Altemier asked if you can establish regulations for an existing operation and if they would be enforceable since Greene Township does not have a zoning ordinance. Mr. Treat responded that yes, the township ordinances still need to be followed even without zoning and even established operations would need to follow new ordinances and obtain a permit if required. Mr. Carlton made a motion for Mr. Treat to look into the legality of a shooting range ordinance. Mr. Obert seconded; motion carried.
Roger Altemier: Mr. Altemier told the board that he would like to see the walking trail that's in the Carlton-Drake Memorial Park in Dreher Township expanded into Greene Township. He presented a map of property he owns that he would like to donate to Greene Township in order to expand the trail. Grants for trail development, among other opportunities, may be available for financial support. Mr. Treat requested Mr. Altemier write a letter to the township explaining his proposition of gifting property to the township and his intention in doing so. Mr. Altemier said he would submit a formal letter.
- Solicitor: Nothing.
- Road Report: Mr. Obert stated that the road crew has been working to prepare for winter. Mr. Carlton said that he has received numerous compliments from residents on the condition of township roads.
- SEO Report: Report received from Glen Martin.
- Solid Waste/Sign Report: Reports received from Edward Geisler. Mr. Geisler said he has been invited into The Escape regarding a number of trailers that are dangerous structures, which he investigated and has sent letters to the property owners. He further explained that a lot of issues are being resolved. He will investigate the Request for Action that was submitted by Mrs. Kellogg when he returns to the office on Monday.
- Unfinished Business: Nothing.
- New Business:
- a. **Altemier Lot Combination** – The board reviewed the plans and Mr. Carlton made a motion to approve the Altemier Lot Combination. Mr. Obert seconded; motion carried.

- b. **Propane Pricing** – Mr. Carlton made a motion to purchase propane from Locklin's since they are the most economical. Mr. Krautter seconded; motion carried.
- c. **Tax Appeal Hearings** – Mr. Carlton made a motion to accept the tax appeal hearings. Mr. Krautter seconded; motion carried.

Adjournment: Mr. Carlton made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Obert seconded; motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:47pm. The next regular meeting is scheduled for December 1, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Seagraves
Secretary/Alternate Treasurer