

**TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALSACE
SUPERVISORS' MEETING AGENDA
November 9, 2023**

James Oswald, Supervisor, Chair

John Theodossiou, Supervisor

Todd Weikel, Supervisor

Kelsey Frankowski, Esq., Township Solicitor

Don Pottiger, Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

I. CALL TO ORDER- 6:30 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

II. PRESENTATIONS

A. No presentations scheduled.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

A. None scheduled.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A. Motion to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2023, Lower Alsace Township Supervisors' Meeting.

V. SUPERVISOR LIAISON REPORTS

A. Road Department – Supervisor Oswald.

B. Central Berks Regional Police Commission – Supervisor Theodossiou.

C. Lower Alsace Fire Company – Supervisor Weikel.

D. Lower Alsace Ambulance Association – Supervisor Weikel.

E. Antietam Valley Recreation Commission – Supervisor Weikel.

VI. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- A. Solicitor's report to be presented.

VII. ENGINEER'S REPORT

- A. Engineer's report to be presented.
- B. Motion to approve payment #2 to New Enterprise Stone & Lime for the 2023 Road Paving projects, which is funded by the 2023 state Liquid Fuels revenues received this year.

VIII. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS REPORTS

- A. Planning Hearing Board:
 - 1) The most recent meeting of the Planning Commission was held on November 2, 2022. No new meetings of the Planning Commission have been scheduled at this time.
- B. Zoning Hearing Board:
 - 1) The most recent meeting of the Zoning Hearing Board was held on May 17th, 2023. No new meetings of the Zoning Hearing Board have been scheduled at this time.
- C. Antietam Valley Recreation Commission – no report.

IX. TREASURER'S REPORT / LIST OF BILLS

- A. Motion to accept the October 31, 2023, Treasurer's reports.
- B. Motion to approve the payment of the list of bills as presented.

X. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL

- A. ***Central Berks Police Department***
 - 1. October 2023 report.

B. **Central Berks Regional Codes Enforcement Department**

1. October 2023 report.

C. **Sewage Enforcement Officer**

1. October 2023 report.

D. **Zoning and Building Code Officer**

1. October 2023 report.

E. **Lower Alsace Township Fire Company**

1. No new report.

F. **Lower Alsace Ambulance Association**

1. No new report.

XI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Update on the review of animal control services, and communication with both Safety Net Sanctuary and Animal Rescue League on processes and procedures performed by both entities.
- B. Update on the status of the process for researching the cost and the demand for a Yard Waste Collection program for grass clippings, flowers, and small shrubs.
- C. Update the status of any activity related to communications with representatives of Mount Penn Borough related to a discussion of a merger between Mount Penn Borough and Lower Alsace Township.
- D. Update the status of the use and occupancy permit application for 1383 – 1385 Friedensburg Road.
- E. Update the status of discussions on potential project for use of American Rescue Plan Local Funds – timeline to be discussed. First allocation to Central Berks Police, Lower Alsace Fire Company, and Lower Alsace Ambulance was approved, and reservation of funds has been set aside. The total revenue of \$496,985.88 has \$346,985.88 remaining for additional projects.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion of the preparation of the 2024 budget. The budget will be approved at the December 14th, 2023, meeting.
- B. Authorization to advertise the 2024 Lower Alsace Township budget (to be approved at the December 14th, 2023 meeting).
- C. Discussion of the results of bids for the Township Recycling program and possible awarding of reasonable acceptable bid.
- D. Approval of Joint Resolution to initiate a series of joint meetings to discuss a possible merger.
- E. Discussion of staffing – road crew and codes personnel ideas.
- F. Discussion of property on Angora Road – parking of trailer.
- G. Discussion of staffing – road crew and codes personnel ideas.
- H. Discussion of Stony Creek Auto property.

XIII. FINAL PUBLIC COMMENT

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive session if necessary.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

The next monthly meeting of the Lower Alsace Township Board of Supervisors will be held on December 14th, 2023.