

**Barrett Township Supervisors
Minutes of Regular Meeting on November 9, 2022**

A regular meeting of the Barrett Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, November 9, 2022, at the Municipal Building on Route 390 in Mountainhome, PA. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Pam Gardsy.

Present: Pam Gardsy, Patti O’Keefe, Kelly Slinger, Darryl Speicher, John Seese, Solicitor Todd Weitzmann, Township Engineer Deanna Schmoyer, Jeryl Rinehart and the public.
There were no public comments on the agenda items.

The Minutes of the October 26, 2022 Meeting were approved on a motion made by Pam Gardsy and seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the payment of the following bills:

- October 26, 2022 - General Fund - \$ 69,663.59, Park and Recreation Fund - \$ 628.54, Open Space Fund - \$ 3,219.75, LST Fund - \$ 2,000.00, Administrative Recreation Complex Fund - \$ 705.00
- November 2, 2022 – General Fund - \$ 7,213.38, Fire Fund - \$ 300.00, Open Space Fund - \$ 2,318.01, Administrative Recreation Complex Fund - \$ 1,566.85, LST Fund – \$ 657.11, Ambulance Fund- \$ 185.92, Library Fund - \$ 558.34

The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Reports:

- a. The Treasurer’s Report for October was read. On a motion made by Pam Gardsy and seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried, the report was accepted as read. All Supervisors voted aye.
- b. The Ambulance Report was read. For the month of October, PMR EMS responded to 32 incidents in Barrett Township bringing the year-to-date to 464. PMR EMS responded to a total of 551 incidents in October bringing the year-to-date to 5,871. On a motion made by Pam Gardsy and seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried, the report was accepted as read. All Supervisors voted aye.
- c. The S.E.O. (2), Zoning (4) and Building (6) Reports for October were read. On a motion made by Pam Gardsy and seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried, the reports were accepted as read. All Supervisors voted aye.
- d. The High Acres Park Committee Meeting Minutes from October 18, 2022, were received. Darryl Speicher made a motion to approve the dates for the following events in 2023: Earth Day, April 22nd, Memorial Day/Fishing Contest, May 29th, Summertime Frolic, August 5th, Fall and Harvest Festival, September 23rd and the Veterans Day Ceremony, November 11th. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye. Pam Gardsy made a motion to accept the meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Subdivision/Land Development/Lot Consolidation:

a. Cresco DG, LLC, 967 Route 390 (Peterson Road), Livic Civil Engineering, Land Development Plan – Michael Goffredo from M.S.G. Associates and Victor Mickel from Capital Growth Buchalter were present to discuss the land development plan. Township Engineer Deanna Schmoyer confirmed in her review letter dated November 8, 2022, that she conducted a final review on the revised plan and all her comments have been addressed from her previous revised review letter dated May 4, 2021.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the following Modification Requests:

1. *Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance Section 403.A – Submission of a Conceptual Preliminary Plan.* The applicant is requesting a waiver from this section of the ordinance to

allow a combined preliminary/final plan.

2. *Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance Section 602.1.5 – All plans, shall be drawn at a scale of one-inch equals fifty feet or one-inch equals one hundred feet.* The plans are drawn at a scale of 1" = 30'. The applicant is requesting a waiver from this section since the scale utilized gives more clarity to the plans.
3. *Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance Section 610.1 – Final plans shall be prepared at the scale of 1" = 100'.* The applicant is requesting a waiver from this section since the scale utilized gives more clarity to the plans.
4. *Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance Section 703.3.6 – Where a land development abuts or contains an existing public street of inadequate right-of-way, additional setback shall be provided to reflect such additional width as may be required.* The applicant is requesting a waiver from this section, which requires a 60' right-of-way for SR 0395. The applicant has provided an additional 5-feet for the right-of-way. Currently the right-of-way is variable along the property of 33' to 40'. It appears all road improvements will be within this additional 5- foot allocation. The sidewalk will remain on their property.
5. *Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance Section 704.5.7 – Side slopes shall be a maximum of three feet horizontal to one foot vertical, unless the design slopes are less than 3-feet deep, whereas a 4:1 slope is required.* The applicant is requesting a waiver from this section to utilize a 2:1 slopes due to site restrictions. The detention basin will be fenced.
6. *Stormwater Management Ordinance Section 303.1 – Provide a 150-foot buffer from the stream.* The applicant is requesting a waiver from this section since a portion of the applicable buffer will be disturbed. The applicant is required to provide equivalency as part of the NPDES Permit for disturbing a portion of the buffer.

The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the land development plan for Cresco DG. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Old Business:

a. John Seese made a motion to accept the 2023 Police Budget. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

b. The Veteran's Day Ceremony will be held on Saturday, November 12, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. at High Acres Park.

c. A letter was received from William F. Schoenagel, PLS, requesting a time extension for acting on the subdivision plan until December 22, 2022, for Eli and Miriam Berkowitz and Bais Menachem. John Seese made a motion to accept the time extension request. The motion was seconded by Patti O'Keefe and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

d. Pam Gardsy reported that the closing for the Barrett School will be Thursday, November 10, 2022. Pam Gardsy made a motion to sign the Indemnity Agreement between Barrett Senior Housing LP and Barrett Township. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to hire Vector Security to install the security system for a cost of \$ 5,955.00 and to approve the Central Station Monitoring at a cost of \$ 27.00 per month. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to hire Alan Kunsman Roofing & Siding, Inc. to restore watertight integrity to vent pipes and repair the roof at a cost of \$ 4,200.00. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to hire Mesko Glass Company to install bullet proof glass for the administrative offices in the amount of \$ 15,950.00. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

New Business:

a. Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the payroll for November 1, 2022, in the amount of \$ 17,320.48 for gross wages, \$ 531.75 for state liability, \$ 4,307.41 for federal tax liability and \$ 13,5213.03 for net wages. The motion was seconded by Darryl Speicher and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

b. Pam Gardsy made a motion to advertise for a Special Supervisors Meeting on Monday, November 21, 2022. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

c. Pam Gardsy made a motion to hire D.M.G. to do an assessment of the heating system in the amount of \$ 6,000.00. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

d. Pam Gardsy made a motion adopt Resolution No. 110922, amending the Local Tax Collection Law, requiring taxing districts that impose taxes on the assessed value of real property to adopt a resolution or ordinance with 90 days of the effective date of the act, or not later than January 9, 2023, directing the tax collector to waive additional charges for the real estate taxes in certain situations. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

e. Pam Gardsy made a motion to accept the 2023 Ambulance Budget for P.M.R.E.M.S. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

f. Pam Gardsy made a motion to accept the 2023 P.A.R.C. Budget. The motion was seconded by Patti O'Keefe and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Correspondence:

a. A letter was received from Auto Parts of Mount Pocono, Inc. informing the Supervisors that D.G. Nicholas Co. has been purchased by Auto Parts of Mount Pocono, Inc.

b. A letter was received by Gibbons Ford informing the Supervisors that they made the decision to end their 73 years in the automotive industry and all charge accounts will be closed effective November 2, 2022.

Miscellaneous:

a. It was noted that there were certificates of insurance received from Sargent's Welding & Repair, Inc. and Alan Kunsman Roofing & Siding, Inc.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:06 p.m. to discuss personnel and litigation. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to reconvene the meeting at 6:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

As there was no further business or public comment, John Seese made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Reinhart