

**Barrett Township Supervisors  
Minutes of Regular Meeting on September 11, 2024**

A Regular Meeting of the Barrett Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, September 11, 2024, at the Municipal Building on Route 390 in Cresco, PA. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Pam Gardsy.

Present: Pam Gardsy, Kelly Slinger, Patti O'Keefe, John Seese, Darryl Speicher, Solicitor Todd Weitzmann, Jeryl Rinehart, and the public.

There was a moment of silence in memory of September 11<sup>th</sup>.

There were no public comments on the agenda items.

The Minutes of the August 28, 2024 Meeting were approved on a motion made by Pam Gardsy and seconded by Darryl Speicher and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

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

- August 28, 2024 - General Fund - \$ 20,309.98, Park and Recreation Fund - \$ 53.96, Open Space Fund - \$ 85.00, Library Fund - \$ 212.99, Ambulance Fund - \$ 70.91
- September 4, 2024 - General Fund - \$ 24,822.87, Park and Recreation Fund - \$ 85.00, LST Fund - \$ 655.07, Fire Fund - \$ 300.00

The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

**Reports:**

a. The Treasurer's Report for August was read. On a motion made by Pam Gardsy and seconded by Darryl Speicher and carried, the report was accepted as read. All Supervisors voted aye.

b. The S.E.O. (2), Zoning (7) and Building (11) Reports for August 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.

c. The Monthly Call Statistics for August were received from the Monroe County Control Center. On a motion made by Pam Gardsy and seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried, the report was accepted as read. All Supervisors voted aye.

**Old Business:**

a. Joseph Fitzsimmons from FCC, Inc. was present to discuss leasing a 50' X 50' area at High Acres Park for a cell tower. John Seese made a motion to have Solicitor Todd Weitzmann work with Joseph Fitzsimmons to negotiate a lease agreement for the cell tower. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

b. Discussion was held on doing a membership fee for pickleball players to use the gymnasium. The Supervisors will look into other facilities that have membership fees.

c. David with University of Pets will be holding a free dog training session at the Dog Park on Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**New Business:**

a. Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the payroll for September 3, 2024, in the amount of \$ 20,430.74 for gross wages, \$ 627.23 for state liability, \$ 4,531.24 for federal tax liability and \$ 15,899.50 for net wages. The motion was seconded by Darryl Speicher and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

b. Pam Gardsy reported that Beverly Baio is donating a grand piano to the Township for the theater area. Discussion was held on hiring a piano mover company to move the piano to the B.A.R.C.

c. It was noted that the Creative Theater Homeschool Program will be using the theater space on Thursdays, starting on September 19<sup>th</sup>.

d. The Supervisors will be partnering with Colonial I.U. 20 to provide work for special needs students.

e. Pam Gardsy made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 091124 to request a Local Share (LSA) grant of \$ 600,000 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority for a generator. The motion was seconded by Darryl Speicher and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

f. Discussion was held on working with the Rotary Club to hold the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony at the B.A.R.C. The Rotary will provide the tree and the lights. The Supervisors will provide the electricity to the tree location.

g. It was noted that the 2025 Non-Substantial Revision for the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Plan was received.

Correspondence:

a. A letter was received from Charlene Barry notifying the Supervisors of her intent to submit general air permit applications to the PA DEP for GP 3 and GP9 General Permit for Bill Barry Excavating Inc. at 174 Quarry Lane.

Miscellaneous:

a. It was noted that no certificates of insurance were received.

David Niper was present to thank the Maintenance Department for the repairs to the Pocono Plateau Road. He asked if there would be future improvements to the road. John Seese reported that they would be attending the two-day training program in September and will be certified by the Monroe County Conservation District's for their Dirt and Gravel Low Volume Roads Program to help fund the repair of the dirt and gravel low volume density roads.

Patti O'Keefe gave the Supervisors information about the benefits of not mowing the fields on the Township properties.

As there was no further business or public comment, Pam Gardsy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 p.m. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Respectfully submitted,

