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The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Tom Hubert, and opened with a Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag at 6:30 P.M.

Supervisors present: Jim Stewart, Scott Malenky, Tom Hubert, Mike Weiser & Dale Perry.

Public Comments: Lisa Rupert, Stoney Hill Road, has a request that a center line be painted in the middle of Stoney Hill Road, up through Riggs Road until it no longer is Shenango Township, as she has been forced off the road several times. She explained that the road is narrow and when driving you do have to get over towards the edge if another is coming towards you. She is requesting that something be done if at all possible. Mike Weiser stated that he was not sure if anything could be done on secondary roads and Dan Rupert, Road Foreman also said he was not sure about that, but that they would check into this. Tom Hubert stated that the township would look into this and also said we would need to find out if we could do this legally. Dan Rupert said he would get in touch with Penndot to find out what we could do. Resident, Mr. Donatelli, whom lives next door to the township building said he came home Saturday evening with 4 inches of muddy water in his garage resulting from the dirt pile that the township has on the property where the rain went around the dirt pile and onto his property as well as in his garage. Dan Rupert and Mike Weiser did inspect the resident's property and Tom Hubert said that we would need an itemized statement of the damage and we would turn it in to our insurance company so that we can get it repaired. Mike Weiser stated that we were going to put in a temporary ditch to make the water divert into a different direction other than on the resident's property. Tom Hubert did reassure the resident that the township does have insurance and will correct any damage to their property. Tom Hubert wants to do a walkthrough for this particular resident regarding a fence on their property to keep people from walking through their property to get to the park. The township will also be looking to get rid of the dirt mound either using at COG Fields or for anyone needing fill dirt.

Township officials present: Police Chief Jason Newton, Fire Chief Justin Barnes, Road Foreman Dan Rupert, Tax Collector David Pringle, and Solicitor Ray Bogaty.

<u>Minutes</u>: Motion by Mike Weiser to approve the July 20, 2023 minutes, seconded by Scott Malenky. All votes yes, motion carried.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Tom Hubert gave the report. He went over all balances for all Township accounts. The income statement is showing in the red for a few balances. Funds were moved to pay for the Ordinance book which is now on the website for anyone needing to review a particular Ordinance. Tom Hubert mentioned that the dollar amount was right around 9,000.00 dollars. Funds were budgeted but not in the category that it was moved to. Tom Hubert mentioned that we are on budget this year. Tom mentioned that payroll has gone up \$7,000.00 per pay with contract changes. He explained that we just need to watch the spending. Mike Weiser mentioned the Road Department Contract will be up this coming year in June of 2024. Motion by Tom Hubert, seconded by Jim Stewart. All votes yes. Motion carried.

Police Report: Chief Jason Newton gave the report. They had 37 911 calls, 26 Assist calls, 9 Suspicious calls, 81 Traffic Stops for a total of 373 for the month of July. Chief Newton stated that the Boro had 86 calls which brought the total to 459. Chief Newton stated that budget wise they used 3.4%. Year to date is 60.6 leaving 39.4. He stated that the school was invoiced for extra duties as well which will be refunded back to the police. Every year when school lets out Chief Jason Newton puts the SRO on a traffic duty enforcement and to date most tickets were written for speeding. There were 83 citations written total, and a few warrants were included. The grant for the traffic details is still in place. The Chief did mention the new traffic light in front of the Fed Ex building will soon be in operation. Motion to approve the Police report by Mike Weiser, seconded by Dale Perry. Tom Hubert mentioned that new computers and firearms were replaced for the police department last year. The Office server and office computers will be upgraded soon including software as well. Chief Jason Newton explained that it is not a luxury to update computers and software, it is a requirement nowadays. All votes yes, motion carried.

Fire Report: Fire Chief Justin Barnes gave the report. 24 medicals, 6 vehicle crashes, 3 motor vehicle fires, 1 vehicle lockout, 1 referred building fire, and 4 wires down. A total of 39, and 15 of those were fire. Motion to accept the fire report by Dale Perry, seconded by Scott Malenky. Tom Hubert mentioned that when the township had a previous fire chief, he had a Township fire chief vehicle and right now Chief Barnes is using his own vehicle. He is being reimbursed for mileage. The supervisors need to consider a Fire Chief vehicle in next year's budget. Tom Hubert asked Chief Barnes to let the supervisors know what type of vehicle would be useful. All votes yes. Fire report is accepted.

EMC Report: Justin Barnes gave the report. He stated last month that the emergency alarm was used once and happened on our last Township Meeting (August 17, 2023) as there was a tornado warning inside our county already. Justin stated that that was the only time it has been activated other than testing. It is working properly. Motion by Jim Stewart, seconded by Mike Weiser to approve the EMC report. Scott Malenky questioned the ID's of the Supervisors and the Municipal Authority and anyone that has not received their ID. Tom Hubert will be checking into this. All votes yes. Motion carried.

Road Report: Road foreman Dan Rupert gave the report. 665 hours worked. 427 hours of road maintenance and 238 hours of Township and Park maintenance. Mike Weiser stated to be aware as they are starting to tar and chip the roads. Motion by Jim Stewart, seconded by Dale Perry to accept the road report. Tom Hubert asked if the ¾ ton will pass inspection. Dan Rupert stated he did believe it would. Tom Hubert made a motion to have Mike Weiser and Dan Rupert begin to look at replacing the truck. He has asked to get some quotes and we would look at taking money from the state funds to purchase that. Dan Rupert needs to have that replaced before winter and it needs to have a stainless-steel bed. This was seconded by Scott Malenky. All votes yes. Motion carried. All votes yes to approve the road report, motion carried.

Municipal Authority Report: Scott Malenky gave the report. A resident stopped into the meeting, who has a municipal lien on her property as she did not pay the tap in fee and she tried to obtain a loan but was unable to get the loan because of the lien. The resident approached the board to see if we were able to lift the lien in order for them to get the loan. Scott explained that there are 3 extensions that the Authority offers to help pay for the tap in fee. There were improvements to the plant awhile back and those improvements are needing to be updated so the engineers are writing up quotes and the Municipal Authority would need to talk

with the Boro to access their portion of funds required. Motion by Scott Malenky to approve the Municipal Authority Report, seconded by Tom Hubert. All votes yes. Motion carried.

<u>COG Report:</u> Dale Perry gave the report. Dale stated that there was no official COG meeting but the next meeting will be held in September. The pool meetings are being held once a month with the designated members of each community. There is a break in that is being investigated. Cash was stolen and they do have pictures of three people from afar. There are rusty bolts that are causing a leak in the pool that will be fixed over the winter. Dale met with Brad Campbell, of Shenango Steel Buildings and is willing to put up a building in the shade area of the pool. There will also be a feasibility study done on the pool of what will be needed to make it a more friendly and lively environment. There is discussion on putting a heater in as well possibly solar. Possible of natural gas to heat as well. Tom Hubert made a request to have COG within the next year to provide garbage trucks for the surrounding townships that want involved. Motion by Dale Perry, seconded by Mike Weiser. All votes yes. Motion carried.

Planning Commission Report: Dale Perry gave the report. Dale stated that there is a communications tower wanting to be put up in our township area and the tower does not meet Mercer County's specifications in our area. If the tower were to fall and it was 200ft high, it would fall onto a road. Mercer County shut down the installation of the tower until the specifications are met. Tom Hubert asked where this tower was and Jim Stewart stated that it was on Henderson Lane in West Middlesex. Mike Weiser said this was to be a Verizon Tower. Dale Perry said that Brad Campbell has a tower on his property that he would like to have taken down and that if possible the tower that they are looking to install may be possible to install on that property. That area would be a higher elevation area. Motion by Dale Perry, seconded by Scott Malenky to approve the Planning Commission Report. All votes yes. Motion Carried.

MPO Report: No meeting

Animal Shelter Report: No meeting but Tom Hubert did state that the golf outing was held at Tam O Shanter that Tom Hubert attended and he did say there were 25 teams which he believes that they made 5,000 to 6,000 dollars. The employees of the shelter do have several fundraisers and are very active in trying to get a building built. Tom Hubert stated that the shelter is always full as this is a no kill shelter. Motion by Tom Hubert, seconded by Jim Stewart to approve the animal shelter report. All votes yes. Motion Carried.

Recreation Board Report: Tom Hubert gave the report. He mentioned the forthcoming dedication and that Parke Wentling would be attending and possibly Mark Longietti as he was very active in helping us to get the park grant. Tom Hubert gave a list of the day's events. The naming of the large pavilion will be a special one as Yvonne Hassell and her husband were responsible for starting the park years back. A sign will be installed on the large pavilion being named after the Hassell's and there will be a plaque given to Yvonne for her personal memory. Tom Hubert talked about the purchase of benches in remembrance of a special someone and he brought up Phil McFarland, a chief of the Shenango Township Fire Department for over 20 years and helped to get 911 dispatch for the area. The family wants to purchase a bench in his remembrance and Tom Hubert did say that the township would work with them in getting that done as Mr. McFarland has put years of service into the township. There will be games, prizes, and model planes on display along with a drone that will be taping the day's events. The lunch will be free and will be donated by

the Pikna's and the Wojtalek's. Donations will be accepted that day. Tom did say that the internet will be installed soon in the coming weeks. Turkey Run Landscaping did landscaping, and the Road Department has put work in at the park as well. Tom Hubert did say the rules have been posted and it seems to be calmer along with the police stopping in at the park to monitor. The Fall Festival will be held on October 21st, 2023 and the scarecrow placement will start September 1, 2023 thru October 20, 2023, and the winner will be announced at the Fall Festival. The woman's club hold a pumpkin walk at the Kiwanis Park, and it is possible that they may not be able to hold that in the park and Tom Hubert asked if they wanted to combine the walk with the Fall Festival and the Mayor will be contacting Tom Hubert about that. The Christimas Tree lighting will be held December 7, 2023. The skating rink is set to be installed as well. The rink liner is also set to be purchased as well. Motion by Tom Hubert, seconded by Jim Stewart to approve the recreation report. All votes yes. Motion Carried.

Zoning Permits: Zoning and Building permits were as follows: Kitchen addition, Garage addition, attached porch roof, Sign permit, & a front porch roof.

<u>Correspondence</u>: Gina read the correspondence. There were monthly collection correspondence for recycling available, September 23, 2023 at the Jefferson Township Fairgrounds.

Dale Perry read correspondence for the 112th Mercer County Association of Township Officials Convention Information. Dale explained that in the Fall, the legislators get together at a convention explaining everything that is happening in the area. Dale gave a brief explanation of the events that were to happen and also stated that there would be a large number of vendors that are also invited to attend.

Dale Perry stated that they are looking for more funds to get to the LSWM pool.

Old Business: Tom Hubert reported that the WM Borough Council voted to stop merger talks with the Township. He stated that the study done suggested that we consolidate, not merge, the Fire departments of Shenango Township, and West Middlesex departments. He explained that the DCED scheduled a zoom meeting back in April of 2022 to explain what consolidation meant. Tom Hubert showed facts of emails and information and minutes approving the study and to enter negotiations with the Boro. Tom Hubert explained that the Boro decided to be done with the Merger that we never had. Tom Hubert has contacted the Boro on the DCED consolidation study, and it seemed to be stalled when his question was brought up. Tom Hubert explained that the Township has so much to offer the communities through a consolidation and that it made a lot of sense. As elected officials of the Township, Tom explained that we did our due diligence and had been waiting for the Borough to begin discussions on the DCED report.

Motion by Tom Hubert, seconded by Dale Perry to approve Ordinance 189-2023 of the Updated International Property Maintenance Code. All votes yes. Motion Carried.

Received quote from AAA Pest control for mosquitos and ticks. Tom Hubert stated that there were 3 fields to be sprayed at COG. He read off two Options for Tick Treatment and one option for Mosquito treatment. Mike Weiser said that it was a good idea to spray but we did not have much use of the fields going into the ending months of the season. Scott Malenky asked if we could possibly get on some type of plan to spray

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between COG field and the park. Mike Weiser will be locking the gates to the COG field because of thefts and damage. Mike Weiser would also like to set price plans for the COG fields as well. Scott made a motion to table the AAA Pest Pro plan quote, seconded by Tom Hubert, until we can come up with a plan for the field and the park. All votes yes. Motion Carried

<u>New Business:</u> Motion by Dale Perry, seconded by Jim Stewart, to approve Resolution #9-2023 Rodgers (Single Residence Sewage Planning Module – 396 Pulaski Road. All votes yes. Motion Carried

Motion by Tom Hubert, seconded by Scott Malenky, to approve the consolidation plan for Leali Brothers Excavating. All votes yes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Tom Hubert, seconded by Jim Stewart to authorize advertisement of Ordinance 190 (park rules). All votes yes. Motion Carried

<u>Dates to Note:</u> Tax Collector Office Hours will be Wednesday's August 23 & 30 from 1-3:45 and September 6, 13, 18-20, 27-29 from 1-3:45 or by appointment.

Scarecrow placement happening until October 20, 2023 – see Township office for entry form or Website (shenangotownship.net)

Fall Festival October 21, Noon-3:00PM

<u>Payment of bills:</u> Motion by Tom Hubert, seconded by Jim Stewart, to approve the payment of bills from July21, 2023 through August 17, 2023. All votes yes. Motion carried.

Tom Hubert did state that there will be an executive session following adjournment on a personnel matter.

<u>Adjournment:</u> Motion by Dale Perry, seconded by Scott Malenky to adjourn. All votes yes. Motion Carried



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BUREAU OF CLEAN WATER

DEP Code No. M6-23-061

RESOLUTION FOR PLAN REVISION FOR NEW LAND DEVELOPMENT

RESOLUTION OF THE SUPERVISORS (COMMIS	SSIONERS) (COUNCILMEN) of <u>Shenango</u>
	COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA (hereinafter "the municipality").
Facilities Act, as Amended, and the rules and Regulation (DEP) adopted thereunder, Chapter 71 of Title 25 of Sewage Facilities Plan providing for sewage services and/or environmental health hazards from sewage values.	24, 1966, P.L. 1535, No. 537, known as the <i>Pennsylvania Sewage</i> ulations of the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection of the Pennsylvania Code, require the municipality to adopt an Official as adequate to prevent contamination of waters of the Commonwealth wastes, and to revise said plan whenever it is necessary to determine or a new land development conforms to a comprehensive program of
WHEREAS Stephen R. Rodgers has land developer	s proposed the development of a parcel of land identified as
Rodgers SRSTP , and desc	ribed in the attached Sewage Facilities Planning Module, and
proposes that such subdivision be served by: (characteristic treatment facility, \square individual onlot systems, \square on	heck all that apply), \square sewer tap-ins, \square sewer extension, \boxtimes new community onlot systems, \square spray irrigation, \square retaining tanks, \boxtimes e treatment plant (SRSTP) to replace a malfunctioning onlot septic
ordinances and plans, and to a comprehensive prog	finds that the subdivision described in the attached oplicable sewage related zoning and other sewage related municipal gram of pollution control and water quality management. Township
(Borough) (City) of Shenango he "Official Sewage Facilities Plan" of the municipality attached hereto. I (Signature) Township Board of Supervisors (Borough Council) (ereby adopt and submit to DEP for its approval as a revision to the y the above referenced Sewage Facilities Planning Module which is ecretary, Shenango City Councilmen), hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of
the Township (Borough) (City) Resolution # 9-20 Municipal Address:	$\frac{23}{2}$, adopted, $\frac{8-17}{20}$, $\frac{20}{23}$.
Shenango Township	Seal of
3439 Hubbard-Middlesex Road	Governing Body
West Middlesex, PA 16159	
Telephone <u>724-528-9571</u>	

ORDINANCE #189-2023

SHENANGO TOWNSHIP, MERCER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE OF SHENANGO AN TOWNSHIP, **MERCER** COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING THE 2021 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO: REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE CONDITIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL PROPERTY, BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES; PROVIDING STANDARDS FOR SUPPLIED UTILITIES AND FACILITIES AND OTHER PHYSICAL THINGS AND CONDITIONS ESSENTIAL TO ENSURE THAT STRUCTURES ARE SAFE, SANITARY AND FIT FOR OCCUPATION AND USE; PROVIDING FOR CONDEMNATION OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES UNFIT FOR HUMAN OCCUPANCY AND USE AND DEMOLITION OF SUCH EXISTING STRUCTURES IN SHENANGO TOWNSHIP; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND THE COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFORE; SETTING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; REPEALING ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS CLAUSE AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Shenango Township, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, is a municipality duly organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and specifically the Second-Class Township Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Second-Class Township Code, including but not limited to 53 P.S. 66601(e) and other powers and rights set forth in the Township Code, Shenango Township may regulate property maintenance issues by setting forth standards to be adhered to and providing for the enforcement of said Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Shenango Township finds that it is in the public interest to provide for property maintenance and related issues set forth in the Ordinance; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE SUPERVISORS OF SHENANGO TOWNSHIP, MERCER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, PURSUANT TO ITS AUTHORITY CONTAINED IN THE SECOND-CLASS TOWNSHIP CODE, AND IT IS HEREBY ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE SAME AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. ADOPTION OF 2021 INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE:

A certain document, three (3) copies of which are on file in the Office of the Shenango Township Secretary, being marked and designated as the International Property Maintenance Code 2021 Edition, and any amendments thereto, as published by the International Code Council, be and is hereby adopted as the Property Maintenance Code of Shenango Township, Mercer County, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for regulating and governing the conditions and maintenance of all property, buildings and structures, by providing the standards for supplied utilities and facilities and other physical things and conditions essential to ensure that structures are safe, sanitary and fit for human occupancy and use; and the condemnation of buildings and structures unfit for human occupancy and use, and the demolition of such existing structures as herein provided; providing for the issuance of permits and the collection of fees therefore; and each and all of the regulations, provisions, penalties, conditions and terms of said Property Maintenance Code on file in the office of Shenango Township Secretary are hereby referred to,

adopted and made part hereof, as if fully set out in this Ordinance with such amendments, additions, insertions and deletions and changes, if any, as prescribed in Section 2 of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENTS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO 2021 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE:

- A. The following Sections of the 2021 Edition of the International Property Maintenance Code are hereby revised as follows:
 - 1. Section 101.1 Insert: Shenango Township
 - 2. Section 103.1 Insert: Township Code Enforcement Office
 - 3. Section 109.3 Prosecution of Violations: The word "misdemeanor" is deleted and replaced by "a summary offense" and which shall carry penalties set forth at 53 P.S. 66601 c.2. There shall be a minimum fine of \$500.00 for the first offense and \$1,000.00 for any second or subsequent offense together with incarceration as determined by the Court upon conviction.
 - 4. Section 302.4 Weeds: The height of weeds or plant grass as set forth in this provision shall be a prohibition against said weeds or plant growth in excess of six (6) inches.
 - 5. Section 304.14. The dates required for the placement of insect screens under this provision shall set forth that the required period is from each and every April 1 through each and every November 1 during the calendar year.
 - 6. Section 602.3 relating to heat supply shall require the heat supply from the period of November 1 of each year to the following April 1 of the next year.
 - 7. Section 602.4 is amended to require heat for occupied workspaces be maintained as set forth in the Ordinance from November 1 of each year until the following April 1 of the subsequent year.

SECTION 3: ESTABLISHMENT OF APPEALS BOARD:

Any and all appeals arising under the 2021 Edition of the Property Maintenance Code and amendments thereto and as provided under Section 107 of the Property Maintenance Code shall be heard by the Uniform Construction Code Appeals Board for Shenango Township. The Uniform Construction Code Appeals Board shall have jurisdiction over all appeal matters arising under the Property Maintenance Code except as is otherwise provided for enforcement or violations of Ordinance and all references under the Property Maintenance Code to the Appeals Board shall be construct to refer to the Uniform Construction Code Appeals Board of Shenango Township. The Uniform Construction Code Appeals Board for Shenango Township shall exercise all such jurisdiction, authority or responsibility as is provided under the Property Maintenance Code.

SECTION 4. REPEALER:

All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent with herewith are repealed.

SECTION 5. SAVINGS CLAUSE:

Should any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance be, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The Shenango Township Supervisors hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional.

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SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE:

Duly Enacted and Ordained the	day of <u>MySt</u> , 20 <u>43</u> by the Board of County, Pennsylvania in lawful session duly assembled, by a
	SHENANGO TOWNSHIP
	Mishal Wein Date Perry
ATTEST: (SEAL)	