

September 7, 2021

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Hempfield Township Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday evening, September 7, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. in the Hempfield Township Municipal Building.

Supervisors Gary Hittle, David A. Geisel and Todd P. Hittle were present. Residents Gregg Buchanan of 370 Wasser Bridge Road and Dick Stanley of 8 Fox Creek Drive were also present.

Chairman Hittle called the meeting to order.

Chairman Hittle opened the Public Comment portion of the meeting. Greg Buchanan of 270 Wasser Bridge Road asked if the Board could do anything about the property at 371 Wasser Bridge Road. The trailer has fallen into a state of disrepair and the property is not being maintained. Sec./Treas. Hittle stated he would work with Zoning Officer Stanley to contact the property owner and start the process of getting the property up to code.

Chairman Hittle said he would entertain a motion to approve of and dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021. Vice-Chairman Geisel made the motion to approve and dispense. Supervisor Hittle duly seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by Chairman Hittle. Motion carried. Chairman Hittle said that the minutes are a public document and may be viewed at the Township Building during regular business hours.

Chairman Hittle stated Ordinance 2021-2 has been prepared and properly advertised to update the Non-Uniformed Pension Plan Documents to meet both IRS and Commonwealth of PA requirements. The secretary read Ordinance 2021-2 in full. Motion by Vice-Chairman Geisel to adopt Ordinance 2021-2 as presented and it was seconded by Supervisor Hittle. The Secretary then polled the Board: Chairman Hittle-Yes; Vice-Chairman Geisel- Yes; Supervisor Hittle-Yes. Motion carried and Ordinance 2021-2 was adopted.

Chairman Hittle stated Ordinance 2021-3 has been prepared and properly advertised to update the Police Pension Plan Documents to meet both IRS and Commonwealth of PA requirements. The secretary read Ordinance 2021-3 in full. Motion by Vice-Chairman Geisel to adopt Ordinance 2021-3 as presented and it was seconded by Supervisor Hittle. The secretary then polled the Board: Chairman Hittle- Yes; Vice-Chairman Geisel- Yes; Supervisor Hittle-Yes. Motion carried and Ordinance 2021-3 was adopted.

Chairman Hittle said the Supervisors need to approve fund-raisers and activities for the Hempfield Township Volunteer Fire Department. They are: September 2- Training; September 9- Training; September 10/11- Boot Drive; September 11- 911 Ceremony at Greenville VFW; September 12- Director/Membership Meeting; September 16- Training; September 21- County Fire Chiefs meeting; September 22/23- Pumper class; September 29- Joint Fire District Forum at GHS; October 2- Pumper class. A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Geisel to approve participation in the above-mentioned activities by fire department members. It was seconded by

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Supervisor Hittle and unanimously approved by Chairman Hittle. Motion carried.

Next on the agenda is the viewing of reports of the various Township Departments for the month of August. Chairman Hittle said that the reports are all public information. First viewed was the August report from the Police Department. The report showed that the men worked a total of 819 man-hours and traveled 5,327 miles. Under the Traffic category, it was reported that there were 6 accidents resulting in one injury. 3 traffic citations were issued during August. Total traffic related incidents totaled 111. Under the Criminal category, it was reported that property stolen was in the amount of \$4,134.00 with no property recovered and no property was reported damaged. Criminal related incidents totaled 70. There were 468 items listed under Service and 37 under Police Information.

The Fire Report included a total of 19 incidents. They included 15 for fire and 4 for EMS. Aid given was listed as 3 calls with aid received for 1 call.

There were 4 zoning/building permits issued in the Township during August. They are: James Johnson of 100 Gibson Road for a ground mounted solar system at an estimated market value of \$14,774.40; Paul and Pam Cianci of 585 Methodist Road for a home addition at an estimated market value of \$50,000.00; Bear's Furniture of 100 Hadley Road for a commercial building remodel at an estimated market value of \$675,000.00 and Iggy's Frozen Custard of 130 College Avenue for a commercial building remodel at an estimated market value of \$8,500.00.

Next is a review of the maintenance work completed in August; The men cut brush and tree limbs along St. Glory and Salem Roads; Sewer lines were checked on Progress Street and flow was normal; Trip to Suit-Kote in Meadville, PA for cold patch; Checked roads that were part of the 2021 Summer Maintenance/Seal Coating project, all good; Removed downed tree from West Methodist Road; Repaired turning signal on 99 International Dump Truck; Trip to take HTPD Unit#3 to McCandless Ford for repairs under warranty; Serviced and cleaned HTPD Unit#1; Installed new front tires and cleaning of new Massey Ferguson Tractor; Worked with Martuccio Paving on Summer maintenance project; Swept gravel off Hamburg Road from contractor dumping slag from rail crossing to Township/Borough line; Working with Robinson Pipe on 2021 HTMA maintenance project; Set up park for pavilion rentals weekly; Cut grass at park weekly; Patching on Township roads; Cut grass around Township; Washed HTPD and Township vehicles numerous times; Covered manholes along township roads scheduled for Summer Maintenance/Seal Coating; Sprayed wasp/hornets nests at Park; Checked roads/culvert pipes after summer rain/storms; Checked sewer main on Fredonia Road, all good; Cleaned ditch along Fredonia Road at Greenville Elementary after wash down from storms; Mowed road side and back side of ditches along Township Roads with Massey Ferguson Tractor/Boom Mower; Serviced 2020 Toro Mower; Greased/serviced boom on Massey Ferguson Tractor; Trouble shoot water issue in Tax Office at Township Building; Replaced condensation line from AC unit that was causing water issues in Tax Office; Cleaned/removed water from carpet in Tax Office; Trim intersections around Township along Township Roads; Set up park for rentals; Fixed door on outhouse at #3 pavilion; Cleaned/weed eat at over pass along sidewalk/Hadley Road.

Chairman Hittle opened the miscellaneous portion of the meeting. There was no response.

There being no further business or public comment, Chairman Hittle said he would entertain a motion that checks be issued in payment of all utility bills, and that all other bills be checked and upon approval, be paid. Vice Chairman Geisel made the motion and it was seconded by Supervisor Hittle. Motion carried.

Supervisor Hittle made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Vice-Chairman Geisel and unanimously approved by Chairman Hittle. Motion carried.

Chairman Hittle declared the meeting adjourned.

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Todd P. Hittle, Township Secretary

**GENERAL FUND:**

Aqua Filer Fresh.....	\$ 97.85
Busy Beaver.....	\$ 69.69
Cintas.....	\$ 146.94
Companion Life.....	\$ 365.44
David A. Geisel.....	\$ 68.80
Derr Industries.....	\$ 176.63
Penn Power Co.....	\$ 233.89
Greenville Area Public Library.....	\$ 4000.00
National Fuel.....	\$ 42.27
Gary E Hittle.....	\$ 68.80
Greenville Water Authority.....	\$ 70.76
The Herald.....	\$ 319.99
Hittle Auto Supply.....	\$ 302.85
Kelly Hittle.....	\$ 280.00
Mercer Co. General Fund.....	\$ 455.38
McGranahan Plumbing.....	\$ 125.56
John Prosek.....	\$ 720.00
Greenville Record-Argus.....	\$ 274.90
Roger R. Shaffer, Jr.....	\$ 750.00
Stephenson Equipment Inc.....	\$ 113.85
Strayhaven Animal Shelter.....	\$ 5,000.00
Verizon Wireless.....	\$ 243.44
Steve Vosler.....	\$ 900.00
Wal-Mart.....	\$ 39.06

Watson’s Inc.....	\$ 12.63
Tractor Supply Inc.....	\$ 103.34
Brownies Oil Co.....	\$ 925.04
Campbell & Sherbondy.....	\$ 350.00

**STATE FUND:**

Suit-Kote.....	\$ 681.32
Watsons Inc.....	\$ 278.44
Flynn’s Commercial Tire.....	\$ 450.00
Stephenson Equipment Inc.....	\$ 2413.01
Penn Power Co.....	\$ 1993.63
Frank Martuccio Asphalt & Paving.....	\$ 92952.69

**ORDINANCE NO. 2021-2**

**HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP  
NON-UNIFORMED EMPLOYEES PENSION PLAN**

AN ORDINANCE OF HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP RELATIVE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF THE NON-UNIFORMED EMPLOYEES PENSION, ANNUITY, INSURANCE AND BENEFIT FUND OR FUNDS, AMENDING THE PENSION PLAN OR PROGRAM APPLICABLE TO THE NON-UNIFORMED EMPLOYEES OF SAID TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, since January 1, 1987, the Township has maintained a pension arrangement for its non-uniformed employees; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to set forth all of the Non-Uniformed Employees Pension Plan provisions in one updated document; and

WHEREAS, Hempfield Township intends that the Plan shall meet the requirements for government plans under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the applicable laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Plan, which supersedes all prior Township enactments regarding Non-Uniformed Employees retirement benefits, effective as of January 1, 2021, as amended and restated in its entirety, is herein set forth as Exhibit “A” and shall be interpreted in conformance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED into an Ordinance this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2021-3**

**HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP  
POLICE PENSION PLAN**

AN ORDINANCE OF HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP RELATIVE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF POLICE EMPLOYEES PENSION, ANNUITY, INSURANCE AND BENEFIT FUND OR FUNDS, AMENDING THE PENSION PLAN OR PROGRAM APPLICABLE TO THE POLICE EMPLOYEES OF SAID TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, since October 1, 1969, the Township has maintained a pension arrangement for its police officers; and

WHEREAS, the Township is subject to Act 600 including the Police Pension provisions set forth in 53 P.S. §767 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to set forth all of the Police Pension Plan provisions in one document; and

WHEREAS, the Plan has been amended and supplemented in various respects pursuant to the enactments of the Township Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, Hempfield Township intends that the Plan shall meet the requirements for government plans under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the applicable laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Plan, which supersedes all prior Township enactments regarding Police retirement benefits, effective as of January 1, 2021, as amended and restated in its entirety, is herein set forth as Exhibit "A" and shall be interpreted in conformance with the Act 600 Police pension provisions.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED into an Ordinance this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021