

# **Conestoga Township BOS Minutes**

**Tuesday, May 7, 2024**

**BOS Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Matthew Connelly.**

**PRESENT - Supervisors: Chairman Matthew Connelly, Vice Chairman Joe Devoy, Tom Grassel Jr**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Line Painting:** Tom Grassel stated that Sickman's Mill Rd, Sand Hill Rd, Shenks Ferry Rd, and Green Hill were all paved last year and had lines painted on them this year.

**Surplus Equipment Sold:** Tom Grassel gave a "Shout Out" to Leroy Eshleman for selling excess equipment to another township; which added income to the Township bank account.

**Conestoga Area Community Pool:** Matthew Connelly stated that the pool opens May 27<sup>th</sup>. You can secure a pool pass by visiting the web site at: [conestogatwp.com](http://conestogatwp.com) and clicking on "Pool".

**Sickman's Mill:** Opening Day is May 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Supporting Our Authorities:** Matthew Connelly stated that Conestoga Township always had and will continue to support our local, state, and federal authorities.

**Executive Sessions:** April 10<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> for personnel - Employing for the Township

**Approval of Minutes:** Joe Devoy motioned to approve April 2, 2024 BOS Meeting Minutes with a second Tom Grassel Jr. All in favor-None opposed.

**Bills and Treasurer's Report:** Joe Devoy made a motion to approve the April 2, 2024 bills and Treasurer's Report with a second by Tom Grassel Jr. All in favor-None opposed.

## **Public Comment**

**Matthew Connelly** stated that the Public Comment is limited to 3 minutes and should pertain to the Agenda or something that can be listed for June's Agenda.

**Resident:** Asked if the DEP will be attending a future meeting?

**Joe Devoy:** Replied that Mark Deimler from Solanco Engineering and an ELA representative will be on hand at June's BOS Meeting to field questions and concerns regarding public water and sewer.

**Kirby Weist:** Voiced concerns about the Nadu Development: Maintenance of landscaping at entrance, width of road, portrayed his property incorrectly with no back porch making boundary lines closer than they appear, nitrate levels in water, runoff and erosion. He asked that these be added to June's Agenda.

**Martha Schwartz:** Agreed with Kirby Weist and would like the Nadu Development added to June's Agenda, as well.

**Alicia:** Voiced concern about erosion and runoff from the Nadu development.

**Maddie Ritz:** Asked if there was information regarding regulations of sewer requirements for residents on Main Street.

**Tom Grassel Jr:** Stated the next company will submit a 537 Plan for a sewer plant; we do not know at this time who will be required to hook up.

**Joe Devoy:** Reiterated that Mark Deimler and the other representative will attend June's meeting and lay out the timeline for public sewer. There will not be a shovel to the ground for 6-7 years.

*Chris Bair: Stated concern about grass being greater than 3 feet high on Run Valley Rd and New Danville Pk which is a safety issue.*

*Tom Grassel: Stated grass will be mowed but we are down an employee.*

*Resident: Stated that it was said, in order for the sewer to be paid, it would need to be hooked up from Long Ln to Rineer Rd.*

*Joe Devoy: Stated that the information is not accurate and this has been an issue since 1990's and is not related to a development.*

### **PERSONNEL**

*Matthew Connelly: Stated that we are still looking for a Roadmaster and Bookkeeper.*

*Resident: Asked why we need a Bookkeeper when the Township hired a CPA firm?*

*Joe Devoy: Replied that the Shepp's Group handles the books for the end of the month expenses and prepares our financial statements but there is internal bookkeeping that is done inhouse. For now, Michele Lovett is writing the checks.*

*He would like to see the payroll moved inhouse which would save the Township money.*

*Budget: Matthew Connelly said that we would like to schedule a time to prepare the budget for 2025.*

### **Old Business**

*Planning Commission Vacancy: Matthew Connelly stated that he would like to schedule interviews with candidates for the main seat and alternate position: Sue Geesey, Robin Maguire, Rick Rehm, Lydia Martin, and (Luke Bunting, submitted letter of interest).*

### **New Business:**

*Oil & Chip Bid: Matthew Connelly stated that 2 weeks ago we had the meeting for the bids but did not confirm.*

- 1) *Martin Paving: \$103,580.62*

**2) Russell Standard Corporation: \$92,255.81**

**Tom Grassel moved to grant the bid to Russell standard Corporation with a second by Joe Devoy. All in favor – None Opposed.**

**Tom Grassel signed the bid agreement.**

**Tom Grassel then stated that the roads that will be covered are:**

**Colemanville Church Rd, from River Hill Rd to Colemanville Rd; River Corner Rd, River Hill Rd, and Duck Hill Rd which will most likely take place in August.**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Carmen Simone: Asked if there was a job description for the Roadmaster position?**

**Matthew Connelly: Replied that there is no job description online.**

**Joe Devoy: Stated that Carmen could get an application from Michele Lovett (He received an application). Joe said that they done a number of interviews and that if he completed the application, he would get interviewed.**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm, with a Motion to adjourn by Joe Devoy and seconded by Tom Grassel Jr. All in favor – None opposed.**

**Respectfully submitted by,  
Michele Lovett  
Conestoga Township Interim Secretary**

**We hope to see you at the next exciting meeting on Tuesday, July 2, 2024 at 7:00pm**

# Conestoga Township Board of Supervisors Meeting

Tuesday, June 4, 2024

Sign In Sheet (Please Print Your Name & Address)

L Eshleman 693 Green Hill Rd

JIM DUVALL 819 LONG LANE

Shelby J Royce 829 Long Lane

KIRBY WIEST JUDY WIEST 847 LONG LANE

Brian Jody Herr 769 Jehman Rd

CHRIS + BARB BAIR Run Valley Rd

Alicia Sauer 735 Long Lane

MARtha SCHWARTZ 733 Long Lane

Harris Malkin 1684 Long Lane

Dan Auber Sickmans Mill

Brenda Trump 769 Long Lane

Terry Shepps Valley Rd

Glenn McHow Sand Hill Rd

Follin Smith Sickman Mill

Carole May Main St

Lynck Like Main St

Judy Stoner Green Hill Rd

Eoin Devoy Sandhill Rd

PAY BROGAN SAND HILL Rd.

Dianna Babcock Pegwea Blvd

Philip Delp 129 Waver LN Peach Bottom

Bob Wiggins 21 Peach Lane

Dora Wafel 39 Sand Hill Rd

Kathy Sangrey 130 W Elm St

Bob May LANCASTER EMS

Miss & Larry Frankford 3619 Main St.

Joe & Sue Geesey 793 Stehman Rd

Robin Maguire Sand Hill Rd.

Ed and Maddie Ritz Main St Creston

Eric Peifer Pequea Blvd.

Jeff bowby

Trimble Surveyors

Parke Ringer

3470 Main St.

Gam & Erb

356 Sand Hill Road

Dale & Conif

90 Back Run Rd

