

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS of NETHER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP – December 19, 2024**

A public meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Nether Providence Township was called to order at 7:30 PM on Thursday, December 19, 2024—Committee Meeting.

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT:

Commissioner Garson  
Commissioner McKenzie  
Commissioner O'Connor  
Commissioner Carbone  
Commissioner Cooper  
Commissioner Barnes  
Commissioner Henry

ALSO PRESENT:

Maureen Feyas	Township Manager
Charles Catania	Township Engineer
Robert Scott	Township Solicitor
Chief Spalin	Police Chief

1 member of the public was in attendance.

Mrs. McKenzie chaired the meeting. She announced that the Executive Session would be held after the public meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE**

**Committee Openings- Parks, Shade Tree, and Planning Commission.** Interested parties will be added in January

**Approval of Minutes-**

**SOLICITORS REPORT** – None

**ENGINEER REPORT-** Mr. Catania said utility poles on Providence Road are moved and Primer will start work in January.

**Government Relations Report-** Max Cooper

Resolution 2024-21 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) He said the Township is applying Hepford Park parking lot and park improvements for the fiscal year 2025. Mr. Cooper made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-21 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG with Hepford Park parking lot and park improvements as the priority project.. Ms. McKenzie seconded the motion which passed 7-0.

Leiper Smedley Trail survey – He said the Township is currently conducting a Leiper Trail Extension Study. Currently, we have around 100 responses. The link will stay active until the end of 2024. Please visit the Township website or Facebook page to access the link. I would like to ask the commissioners to pass along the flyer in their packets to their wards.

**Parks & Open Space Committee-** Beth Henry

Gouley Park netting- She said the Public Works Department has been working over at Gouley Park installing the goal netting for the turf field. We anticipate this work being completed early next week.

Hepford Park dugouts- Mrs. Henry said the Public Works Department is also working on the screening for the dugouts at Hepford Park. This work should be completed by the end of 2024.

**Public Safety Committee Report** – Matthew Garson

New camera's at Gouley Park- He said the Township has recently installed security cameras at Gouley Park. These cameras have a direct feed to the police department for monitoring.

**Finance and Administration Committee Report** by Kait McKenzie

Ordinance 862 - 2025 Township Budget- Ms. Mckenzie made a motion to approve Ordinance 862 :That a tax be and the same is hereby levied on all real property within the Township subject to taxation for Township purposes for the fiscal year 2025 as follows:

Tax rate for General Purpose mills on each dollar of assessed valuation, 3.5950 mills on each thousand dollars of assessed value.

General Government 1,040,109.11

Public Safety 4,195,400.00

Codes and Inspections 294,528.77

Recycling and Waste 507,186.00

Public Works/Highway 1,722,892.39

Recreation/Parks 276,833.50

Debt Service 414,675.00

Insurance 455,157.00

Grant Matches and

Misc. 168,000.00

9,074,831.77

Mr. Garson seconded the motion which passed 7-0.

Resolution 2024-23, Sewer Rate- Ms. McKenzie made a motion to adopt Resolution 2024-23 Sewer rates for 2025. That an annual rental or charge for the use of the sewers or sewer system of the Township upon the owners of properties served or to be served by it, whether such property is located within or outside the corporate limits of the Township, is hereby established. All such owners of properties shall pay an annual rental of six hundred and eighty-eight dollars (\$688.00) per unit for 2025 based on the following schedule of units for private dwellings, churches, and other properties. Mr. Garson seconded the motion which passed 7-0.

Resolution 2024-24 Recycling Fee- Ms. McKenzie made a motion to adopt Resolution 2024-24 Recycling Fee (2025) \$119.00 annual fee per residence. Mr. Garson seconded the motion which passed 7-0.

Bills List: Ms. McKenzie made a motion to approve the Bills list in the amount of:

A/P Bills List TOTAL – \$147,128.80

AP Interims List – TOTAL - \$235,926.31

A/P Procurement Card - TOTAL –\$65,232.60

Mr. Garson seconded the motion which passed 7-0.

**Community, Health, and Environment Report** – Shaina Barnes

End of Curbside Leaf Collection She said the public works department is a little behind schedule and is currently completing their final pass-throughs in all wards.

**Infrastructure and Public Works Committee** – Robert O'Connor

None

**Building and Zoning Committee Report-** Candice Carbone

None

**TOWNSHIP MANAGER REPORT** – Maureen Feyas

Mrs. Feyas thanked Assistant Township Manager Caity Kennedy for all the help with the budget this year. She reminded residents that the Garden City Fire Company is hosting a Red Cross blood drive on December 26<sup>th</sup> from 9 am-7 pm. You can sign up to give at red.blood.org. Thank you to our residents and police department for the successful Toy drop for the “Toys for Tots”!

Ms. McKenzie said the next meeting is on January 9th, 2025. The meeting was adjourned around 7:30 PM.