

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting
of the South Park Township**

Board of Supervisors

May 8, 2023

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Walt Sackinsky presiding. Board members Edward Snee and Brian Lucot were present. Also in attendance were Karen Fosbaugh, Township Manager; Chief Dennis McDonough; Aaron Laughlin, Director of Public Works; and Anthony Pavlik, Esq.-Tucker Arensberg, PC. Absent: Tom Bonidie, Code Enforcement Officer.

Two or more members of the Board of Supervisors were together on the following occasions which were executive sessions, informational meetings, or Township-related events:

Monday, April 10, 2023 – After the meeting to discuss safety procedures.

April 14–16, 2023 - Possibly during the Allegheny League of Municipalities (ALOM) Spring Conference.

Monday, May 8, 2023 – Prior to the informational meeting to discuss personnel issues.

PLEASE BE INFORMED THAT THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH PARK RECORDS ALL PUBLIC MEETINGS AS PART OF THE MEETING MINUTES PROCESS.

ANYONE SPEAKING THIS EVENING IS REQUESTED NOT TO REPEAT THE SAME POINTS ADDRESSED AT A PRIOR MEETING. RESIDENTS ARE REMINDED THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS REGULATED TO ADHERE TO EXISTING ORDINANCES.

THE AUDIENCE AGENDA WAS PLACED ONLINE FOR RESIDENTS WHO MAY WISH TO OFFER PUBLIC COMMENT OR ASK A QUESTION WHICH WILL BE ENTERED INTO THE RECORD AT THE MEETING THIS EVENING. COMMENTS/QUESTIONS WERE TO BE SUBMITTED NO LATER THAN 4:30 P.M. TODAY.

Mrs. Fosbaugh stated for the record that no comments or questions were submitted.

Action on the Appointment of a Sergeant – South Park Township Police Department

Motion by Mr. Snee, seconded by Mr. Lucot, to approve taking the appropriate action to appoint Richard Griffith as a Sergeant with the South Park Township Police Department, with an effective date of appointment being Tuesday, May 9, 2023. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

OATH OF OFFICE

The Oath of Office was administered by Vice-Chairman Edward Snee to the newly appointed Sergeant, Richard Griffith, and the appropriate documents were executed. Afterward, pictures were taken.

Presentation of Proclamation - Designating May 21-27, 2023 as Emergency Medical Services Week – Tri-Community South EMS Chief Keith Morse

Mr. Sackinsky read aloud the Proclamation, designating May 21-27, 2023 as Emergency Medical Services Week. The Proclamation, which was presented to Tri-Community South EMS Chief Keith Morse, encourages the community to recognize the value and accomplishments of all those involved in Emergency Medical Services as a vital public service and specifically recognizes Tri-Community South EMS for its superior service to South Park Township and to the entire South Hills Community. Mrs. Fosbaugh commented that Keith Morse is the newly appointed EMS Chief. Afterward, pictures were taken.

Call on the People

Tom Barkand, 2867 Amy Drive – Mr. Barkand commented that he is present to support the promotion of the sergeant, and he thanked the Police for all of their excellent service, as well as Tri-Community South EMS.

Action on Minutes

Motion by Mr. Snee, seconded by Mr. Lucot, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors held on April 10, 2023. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action on Invoices

Motion by Mr. Snee, seconded by Mr. Lucot, to approve the payment of invoices for the month of April, 2023. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action on Oil and Gas Lease Agreement – Township of South Park and EQT

Motion by Mr. Snee, seconded by Mr. Lucot, to approve the Oil and Gas Lease Agreement between the Township of South Park, formerly known as the Township of Snowden, and EQT Production Company, the purpose of which is to define the terms and conditions for the leasing of property owned by the Township of South Park to EQT as it pertains to oil and gas recovery through the horizontal drilling method, with all proceeds to be placed in a segregated account to be used specifically for recreational purposes, and authorizing the appropriate Township officials to execute said Agreement. Mr. Lucot commented that the Board's first concern regarding the lease was to make sure that the park area is preserved. He added that they are very proud of our parks and recreational programs. Mr. Lucot stated that under the Lease Agreement, EQT will not be seeking surface operations in the Township. He added that the paid up bonus payments and royalties received from the lease will be utilized to better the parks and improve the assets in our

community. Mr. Sackinsky echoed Mr. Lucot's comment. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action on Snowden Ridge Plan of Lots Developer's Agreement – Villas of South Park, L.P. – Snowden Road

Motion by Mr. Snee, seconded by Mr. Lucot, to approve the Land Development Agreement by and between the Villas of South Park, L.P. and the Township of South Park, which defines the terms and conditions to guarantee the completion of the public improvements for the minor land development identified as Snowden Ridge Plan of Lots, and recommending the appropriate Township officials to execute said agreement. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action on Bids – Spring Commodities – SHACOG Cooperative Purchasing

Motion by Mr. Snee, seconded by Mr. Lucot, to accept the bids received by the South Hills Area Council of Governments (SHACOG) on March 16, 2023, for the purchase of Spring Commodities through the cooperative purchasing program, and authorizing the purchase of said commodities from the suppliers listed on Attachment A, a copy of which is attached to each audience agenda. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action on Proposal – Promotional – Promotional Test for the Position of Sergeant – William Gamble

Motion by Mr. Snee, seconded by Mr. Lucot, to approve the Proposal submitted by William Gamble to conduct the written police promotional test for the position of Sergeant at a cost of \$90.00 per test, and a consulting fee of \$375.00. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action on Employment – Part-Time Teen Librarian – Madeline Canales

Motion by Mr. Snee, seconded by Mr. Lucot, to ratify the employment of Madeline Canales, Pittsburgh, PA, for the position of part-time Teen Librarian with the South Park Township Library, at the rate of \$14.00 per hour, retroactive to May 4, 2023. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action on Payment Request No. 1 – 2023 Township-Wide Sewer Rehabilitation Project – JetJack, Inc.

Motion by Mr. Snee, seconded by Mr. Lucot, to approve Payment Request No. 1 in the amount of \$183,893.69, as submitted by JetJack, Inc., for the work completed to date on the project identified as the 2023 Township-Wide Sewer Rehabilitation Project, as recommended by the Project Manager and Project Engineer. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action on Reimbursement Request – Officer Richard Griffith

Motion by Mr. Snee, seconded by Mr. Lucot, to approve the reimbursement of associated costs in the amount of \$1,441.15 expended by Officer Richard Griffith during his attendance to a crash reconstruction training session held in Orlando, Florida, the week of April 16, 2023. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Action on
Assessment Change
Reimbursements –
Lawrence P. Arrigo,
Tax Collector**

Motion by Mr. Snee, seconded by Mr. Lucot, to approve assessment change reimbursements for the calendar years 2021 and 2022, due to successful appeals at the County level, as requested by Lawrence P. Arrigo, Tax Collector, in correspondence dated March 29, 2023. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Action on MS4
Report – April, 2023**

Mrs. Fosbaugh explained that following is the MS4 report for April dated May 8, 2023. MS4 is the acronym for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System.

1. The part-time litter collection employee continued with his duties on Township streets to prevent trash from impacting the function of the stormwater inlets.
2. The Public Works Department rebuilt two inlets in April.
3. Environmental Day was held on April 29, 2023. In addition to electronic recycling and document destruction, 164 pounds of prescription and over-the-counter drugs were collected. The drugs were delivered to the DEA for disposal and, as a result, will not be introduced into the sanitary sewer system.
4. The final restoration work with regard to the lining of the interceptor line in the Piney Fork Watershed is scheduled to begin on Thursday, May 11, 2023. The restoration will also be completed on the section of the Montour Trail that was disrupted by the project.
5. The storm sewer line and rock channel the Public Works Department is working on in the vicinity of Wilson Road is 50% completed. The remainder of the project, which involves the stabilization of the adjacent stream bank, could not be completed because of weather conditions.

Motion by Mr. Snee, seconded by Mr. Lucot, to approve the MS4 Report for the month of April, 2023. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Police Chief's Report The Police Chief's Report for April, 2023:

Calls for Service	544
Arrests	3
Traffic Citations	25
Warnings Issued	112
Reportable Accidents	1
Non-Reportable Accidents	6
Fire Calls	5
Emergency Medical Assists to Tri-Community EMS	67
Deer Struck by Vehicles	5

Chief McDonough commented that on April 29, 2023, the National Drug Take Back Day which the Township Police Department participates in with the DEA, collected 164 pounds of unwanted over the counter and prescription drugs. The drugs were taken to the DEA for proper disposal.

Motion by Mr. Snee, seconded by Mr. Lucot, to approve the Police Chief's report for the month of April, 2023. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Supervisors'
Comments**

Mr. Lucot – Mr. Lucot thanked everyone for attending. He congratulated Richard Griffith on his promotion to sergeant and expressed his appreciation for the three decades Sgt. Griffith has dedicated to the Township Police Department.

Mr. Snee – Mr. Snee commented that he was glad to see the Amy Drive residents in attendance. He also congratulated Richard Griffith for his promotion to sergeant. Mr. Snee was happy to see Keith Morse as the EMT Chief and his staff receiving the Proclamation.

Mr. Sackinsky – Mr. Sackinsky inquired about the new police officers progress, and Chief McDonough replied that they are doing great. Mr. Sackinsky congratulated Richard Griffith on his promotion.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Snee, seconded by Mr. Lucot, to adjourn the meeting. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Time: 7:28 p.m.