BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AGENDA January 6, 2025 1:00 PM



CALL TO ORDER: The Muddy Creek Township Board of Supervisors Organizational Meeting was called to order by Mr. Saunders at 1:02 pm.

ROLL CALL: Those present included Mr. Dale Kerr, Mr. Rick Saunders, Mr. Dale Hall,

and Mrs. Abbie Flinner.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was recited. Mr. Saunders asked anyone present to acknowledge recording devices. There was none.

CHAIRPERSON: Motion by Mr. Saunders to nominate Mr. Kerr as Board of Supervisors Chair for 2025, second Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Kerr assumed Chair of the meeting.

VICE-CHAIRPERSON: Motion by Mr. Kerr to nominate Mr. Saunders as Vice Chair for 2025, second Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

SECRETARY/TREASURER/PERMIT ISSUANCE OFFICER/OPEN RECORDS OFFICER:

Motion by Mr. Kerr to appoint Mrs. Abbie Flinner as Secretary/Treasurer, Permit Issuance Officer, second Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOCAL TAX RATES FOR 2025 RESOLUTION 2025-01: A motion was made by Mr. Kerr to adopt Resolution 2025-01. Second by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

WAGE AND SALARY RESOLUTION 2025-02: Motion by Mr. Saunders to adopt Resolution 2025-02. Second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S BOND: Motion by Mr. Kerr establishing the bond amount at \$700,000.00 for the year 2024, second by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried. An additional motion was made by Mr. Kerr to establish an additional \$700,000.00 bond for the Assistant Treasurer. This motion was seconded by Mr. Saunders. All in favor, motion carried.

ROADMASTER: Motion by Mr. Saunders to appoint Chairman, Dale Kerr, as Roadmaster. Second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

VACANCY BOARD: Motion by Mr. Kerr to appoint Mr. Jay Wack to the vacancy board. Second by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

DEPOSITORY: Motion by Mr. kerr selecting First National Bank for the Township's General Fund, Master Escrow, Highway Aid, Fire Tax, Capital Reserve Fund, and Act 13 Capital Reserve Fund. Second by Mr. Saunder. All in favor. Motion carried.

2025 MEETING LOCATION, TIME, & DATES: Motion by Mr. Kerr setting the Board of Supervisors' 2025 Meeting Schedule as follows: Meetings will be held at 420 Stanford Road. Meetings will be held at 7:00 pm. Meetings will take place on the third Wednesday of every month. Second by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

NEWSPAPER PUBLICATIONS: Motion by Mr. Kerr designating The Butler Eagle for the publication of the Township's legal notices, second by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

PLANNING APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENTS: Motion by Mr. Kerr to appoint Mr. Jay Wack to the Planning Commission for a four-year term, ending December 31, 2028. Seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor, motion carried. An additional motion was made by Mr. Kerr to appoint Mrs. Kris Callen for a one-year term as first alternate for the Muddy Creek Township Planning Commission. This was seconded by Hall. All in favor, motion carried. Another motion was made by Mr. Kerr to appoint Mr. Dale Hall for a one-year term as second alternate for the Muddy Creek Township Planning Commission. This was seconded by Mr. Saunders. All in favor, motion carried.

TOWNSHIP AUDITORS: Motion by Mr. Kerr to appoint Mr. Derek Flinner as township auditor for a one-year term, ending December 31, 2025. Seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor, motion carried. An additional motion was made by Mr. Kerr to appoint Mr. Ronald Flinner as township auditor for a one-year term, ending December 31, 2025.

STATE CONVENTION DELEGATE: Motion certifying Mr. Kerr as delegate to the 2025 PSATS State Convention made by Mr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

STATE CONVENTION VOTING DELEGATE: Motion certifying Mr. Kerr as the Township's voting delegate to the 2025 PSATS State Convention made by Mr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

2025 MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT: Motion by Mr. Kerr setting rate by IRS (currently: .70/mile), second Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

2025 FEE SCHEDULE RESOLUTION 2025-03: Motion by Mr. Kerr to adopt Resolution 2025-03 setting the Township's 2025 Fee Schedule, second by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

PENSION ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: Motion by Mr. Kerr to appoint the

Secretary/Treasurer as Administrative Officer for the Pension Fund. Second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADMINSITRATIVE OFFICER FOR PAUC ACCOUNT: Motion by Mr. Kerr to appoint the Secretary/Treasurer as PAUC account administrative officer. Second by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY/TREASURER: Motion to appoint Marnie Chuba as Assistant to the Secretary/Treasurer made by Mr. Kerr. Seconded by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER: Motion to appoint Mr. Doug Duncan as Sewage Enforcement Officer made by Mr. Kerr. Seconded by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

ALTERNATE SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER: Motion by Mr. Kerr to appoint Collin Fantasky as First Alternate Sewage Enforcement Officer & Patrick West as Second Alternate Sewage Enforcement Officer. Second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT AGENCY: Motion by Mr. Kerr to adopt Resolution 2025-04 appointing Professional Code Services as the Building Code Official and Inspection Agency. Second Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR: Motion by Mr. Kerr to appoint Mr. Thomas L. Smith, second by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

ENGINEER: Motion by Mr. Kerr to appoint the firm of Gannett Fleming as the engineer, second by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

ALTERNATE ENGINEER: Motion by Mr. Kerr to appoint the firm of Senate Engineering as the alternate engineer, second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS FOR THE YEAR 2025: Motion made by Mr. Kerr to adopt Resolution #2025-05, appointing the firm of Mark C. Turnley, CPA to perform the 2024 Annual Audit at a cost not to exceed \$5,250.00. Second by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFER TAX COLLECTOR: Motion by Mr. Kerr reappointing Butler County Recorder of Deeds, second by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR: Motion by Mr. Kerr reappointing Butler County Tax Claim as the collector of Delinquent Real Estate Tax. Seconded by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

DEPUTY REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR: Motion made by Mr. Kerr and seconded by Mr. Hall to appoint Helen Steiger as Deputy Real Estate Tax Collector for 2025. All in favor. Motion carried.

LST/DELINQUENT EIT: Motion by Mr. Kerr to appoint Berkheimer Tax Administrator to collect the Current and Delinquent Local Services Tax and the delinquent Earned Income Tax. Second by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

EMERGENCY SERVICES: Motion made by Mr. Kerr to appoint Portersville-Muddy Creek Township Volunteer Fire Department as the township's emergency service. Second by Mr Saunders. Motion made by Mr. Kerr appointing Portersville EMS as the Emergency Medical Service Provider. Second by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

EMA COORDINATOR: Motion by Mr. Kerr to appoint Mr. Vaughn Badger, second Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Mr. Saunders at 1:12 pm to adjourn, second Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

MUDDY CREEK TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

Dale R. Kerr, Chair

Eric Saunders, Vice Chair

Dale A. Hall, Supervisor

ATTEST:

Abbie M. Flinner Secretary/Treasurer



MUDDY CREEK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS January 15, 2025 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER: The Muddy Creek Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mr. Kerr. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

<u>ROLL CALL</u>: Those present included Mr. Dale Kerr, Mr. Rick Saunders, Mr. Dale Hall, Mr. Thomas Smith, and Mrs. Abbie Flinner.

NOTICE OF RECORDING POLICY: Mr. Kerr requested for anyone in the meeting to acknowledge the use of a recording device. No one acknowledged a recording device.

PUBLIC COMMENT/VISITORS:

Craig Book (Portersville EMS) – Mr. Book discussed positive happenings within Portersville EMS, including the receipt of an employee retention credit grant and working with Butler Hospital to improve coverage and off-set payroll expenses. Mr. Book reported that they have also ordered a new ambulance and are trying to get 24-hr staffing. The Portersville EMS 2025 Annual Budget was also provided to the board.

Jennifer LaDue (accompanying Mr. Book) Matthew Bush (accompanying Mr. Book) Larry Coble (Resident) David Cox (Cox Ag Services)

TREASURER'S REPORT:

A motion was made by Mr. Saunders to approve the Treasurer's report for December, 2024. Mr. Hall seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION (Invoices): Motion made by Mr. Saunders to pay the bills. (General Fund: 14908-14933; VOID:14911); Payroll (01/02/25, 01/16/25); Electric (Storage and Main – 01/13/25); Selective Insurance (01/08/25). Second by Mr. Kerr. Mr. Hall abstained, as one check was for his business, H&M Trucking. Motion carried.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Mr. Kerr and seconded by Mr. Hall to approve the minutes for the November 20, 2024 meeting; Mr. Saunders abstained from the vote, as he was not present at the November 20, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.

An additional motion was made by Mr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Kerr to approve the minutes for the December 18, 2024 meeting; Mr. Hall abstained from the vote, as he was not present at the December 18, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.

Mr. Saunders made an additional motion to approve the January 6, 2025 Organizational Meeting minutes. This was seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

PSATS – 2025 Bidding Thresholds **Central Pension Fund** – Summary of Plan Information **Portersville EMS** – Activity Reports (September 2024 – December 2024)

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

PLANNING COMMISSION: No report EMERGENCY SERVICES: No report

ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT:

2025-2026 COSTARS Salt Contract – Mr. Saunders made a motion to ratify the signing of the 2025-2026 COSTARS Salt Contract, allowing for the purchase of an estimated 400 tons of salt for the 2025-2026 season. Mr.

PERMITS:

Building: 113 Flinner Road – Garage with lean-to 618 Stone Church Road – Agricultural Storage Building (Assessment Permit) 211 Merriman Lane – Garage

<u>Junkyard:</u> 391 Stanford Road – Happy Hooker (Chechak) 107 Hastings Lane - Hastings 1599 Perry Hwy. – Kern

NEW BUSINESS:

2024 Survey of Financial Condition – Mr. Saunders made a motion to approve the submission of the 2024 Survey of Financial Condition to DCED. Mr. Hall seconded this motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S COMMENTS: None

SECRETARY'S COMMENTS: None

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: Motion by Mr. Saunders to adjourn at 7:40 PM. Seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

MUDDY CREEK TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

Dale R. Kerr, Chairman

Abbie M. Flinner, Secretary/Treasurer

Eric "Rick" Saunders

Dale A. Hall

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