

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 8, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Thomas Powanda called the Washington Township Board of Supervisors Workshop meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., at the Washington Township Municipal Building. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIRPERSON

Thomas Powanda stated he was stepping down as Chairman for personal reasons.

Thomas Powanda opened the floor for nominations for Chairperson for the Board for the remainder of 2024.

A motion was made by Thomas Powanda to nominate David Moyer for Chairperson of the Board.

A motion was made by Thomas Powanda and seconded by Romnie Long to close the nominations.

David Moyer is declared Chairperson for the remainder of 2024.

NOMINATIONS FOR VICE-CHAIRPERSON

Thomas Powanda opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chairperson for the Board for the remainder of 2024.

A motion was made by David Moyer to nominate Thomas Powanda as Vice-Chairperson of the Board.

A motion was made by David Moyer and seconded by Romnie Long to close the nominations.

Thomas Powanda is declared Vice-Chairperson for the remainder of 2024.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Supervisors, Thomas Powanda, David Moyer, Romnie Long, and Township Manager/Secretary, Susan Brown. There were eight (8) members of the public in attendance.

Absent: None

TAPING OF THE MEETING

Township Manager/Secretary Susan Brown, along with one member of the public, Bill Piersol was taping tonight's meeting.

SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT

Keating/Camino Agricultural Concept Plan

- *Steve Shanahan, Pierce Keating, Mrs. Keating, Luke Keating presented concept plans to the board to propose a Non-Profit “Camino Farms” Homestead/Farmstead keeping his commitment to maintain the agricultural use of the land as Mr. Keating pledged as part of the conditional use hearings for the camp. The farming will house/raise 100 cattle and 4000 chickens annually. The proteins will be raised and donated to food banks and organizations to provide food to those in need. The livestock will need to be rotated to graze throughout 100 acres of the Keating/Camino land locations identified on the plans as Homesteads 1, 2 & 3 and Kate’s Place.*

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- **Galco phone system-**
 - *Jim Gallagher was present to discuss the proposed new phone system and addressed questions from the board about Karen’s Law and 911. Also discussed the type of equipment/phones and their capabilities.*
 - *David Moyer requested that Mr. Gallagher requote and place on the next BOS meeting agenda scheduled for August 22nd, 2024.*
- **Public works garage project-**
 - **Plumbing bids- One quote presented**
 - *Bisbort quote for \$11,770.00 to excavate, fix and sanitize well for the existing and new Public Works Buildings.*

A motion was made by Thomas Powanda and seconded by Ronnie Long to accept the Bisbort Plumbing & Heating quote in the amount of \$11,770.00.

All ayes

- **Concrete apron bids- 2 quotes presented**
 - *Drumheller Construction Inc- \$9,650.00*
 - *Affordable Concrete quote- \$9,200.00*

A motion was made by Ronnie Long and seconded by Thomas Powanda to accept the Affordable Concrete quote in the amount of \$9,200.00.

All ayes

- **Gate electrical connection bids- 3 quotes presented**
 - *The Longacre Company- \$2,264.26*
 - *T.L. Conrad- \$1,150.00*
 - *R.J. Electric, Inc.- \$750.00*

A motion was made by Ronnie Long and seconded by Thomas Powanda to accept the R.J. Electric, Inc quote in the amount of \$750.00.

All ayes

- **Gas service-**
 - *To be placed on next BOS meeting agenda scheduled for August 22nd, 2024.*

- **Fence line maintenance-Barto Park/40 Birch Mill Lane-**
 - *There was an agreement with previous owners. The agreement stated it is not transferable to new owners.*
 - *To be placed on next BOS meeting agenda scheduled for August 22nd, 2024.*

- **Fall road inspection-**
 - *September 30th, 2024 8:00 a.m.*

- **Admin building renovations-**
 - *Will discuss at the upcoming budget meeting.*

- **Barto Road straightening-**
 - *Looking at possibly 2025 for this project.*

- **Barto Road & Old Route 100 intersection reconfiguration-**
 - *Looking at possibly 2025 for this project. Need to discuss with John Weber and Mr. D'Angelo.*

- **PADEP WWTP inspection-**
 - *New parts were installed, tank is now back up and running.*
 - *DEP inspection occurred, expecting to receive a letter from DEP shortly reporting some deficiencies. Will provide update upon receipt of letter.*

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ronnie Long and seconded by Thomas Powanda to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:29 p.m.

All ayes

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Brown
Manager/Secretary