CHARTIERS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING June 24, 2025 5:00p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

Please be advised that the Chartiers Township Board of Supervisors met in executive session immediately prior to this meeting from <u>4:25 pm</u> to <u>4:53</u> pm to discuss personnel, contract negotiation, litigation and real property matters.

Attending this meeting were Supervisors Bronwyn Kolovich, Harlan Shober, and Frank Wise. Also present were Jodi L. Noble-Township Manager; James Liekar-Solicitor; Ed Jeffries, Public Works Director, Jennifer Slagle-Director of Engineering and Planning Parks and Recreation Director, Angela O'Conner; Ashley Neptune-Township Engineer Jamie Rozzo, Recording Secretary; ABSENT: Steven Horvath, Chief of Police

VISITORS TIME

Doug Cushey of 410 Railroad Street Asked the board what qualifications he needs to be hired as a Public Works Employee? He feels the road crew is understaffed and the board should have hired him for this position.

Mr. Shober explained that the board had several good candidates that interviewed for this position. Unfortunately, they could only hire one candidate and they feel they hired the best candidate. The township needs to stick to their budget, and it did not permit a second hire for the public works department at this time.

Kevin Cushey 410 Railroad Street had a complaint about the patch public works completed on Tipple Street. He would like to see the public works crew do a better job.

Ilene Cushey 410 Railroad Street was not happy with the repair of the pothole on Tipple Street. She would like public works to fix this hole properly.

Jake Spiker 691 N Main Street would like to see Midland area cleaned up. He has provided the board with a list of violations.

Jodi will provide the list to code enforcement so they can start working on these items.

Brian Johnson 6 Remington Drive thanked the Township for their appreciation post for the Chartiers Township Volunteer Fire Department for the flooding assistance via Facebook.

The board is in agreeance; we have one of the best fire departments around and we appreciate their efforts in our township for our residents.

August Kerr 641 Arden Road talked to the board about water issues stemming from Old Hickory Ridge Road. He asked if the township could possibly install a curb to direct the water away from the properties on Arden Road.

The board is going to have Ed take a look and see what can be on our roadway to possibly help keep the water within our right of way along Arden Road.

Josh Alderson 300 McClane Farm Road has complaints about three drains that sit higher than the roadway, speeding, and flooding on McClane Farm Road.

A culvert has been installed on McClane to help with the flooding on this roadway.

Michael Fausti 103 Piatt Estates Drive has several complaints to submit to the board this evening. There is a patch that needs repaired on Allison Hollow Road, there is debris encroaching on the roadway from tree trimming down this week, and there are water issues on Piatt Estates Drive that need to be addressed.

Gateway is keeping a close eye on the area that is patched on Allison Hollow Road. The hillside may be starting to slip. They will continue to monitor this area and do what is needed to fix the roadway.

Public Works will address the debris near the roadway.

Nathan Glasser 106 Piatt Estates Drive had flooding in his basement with this past storm event. He has never had an issue with flooding in the past.

Jeff Kolton 101 Piatt Estates Drive is being affected by flooding he believes comes from Sulky Manor Lane.

Brendan Mangus 97 Piatt Estates Drive is having water issues on his property as well. He believes there is a common denominator, Eddie Homes and Piatt Estates. Eddie Homes is not responsive when it comes to issues that are brought to their attention with their house builds and Piatt Estates is the Developer.

Martin Hanley 475 Allison Hollow Road hasn't been flooded in the past 25 years. This storm flooded his property, and he agrees something needs to be done to remedy

these issues. He believes the water comes from Sulky Manor Lane as well. He is willing to collectively work together with the other properties to help fix this issue.

John Fincham 201 Sulky Manor Lane believes the home builder and developer are at fault for these drainage issues and should be held responsible and accountable for fixing the issues.

The township understands the residents' frustrations. Unfortunately, this storm wasn't a regular storm but estimated to be a 200-500-year storm event. Residents in certain parts of the township received 3-4 inches within a 45 min time frame. On a positive note, this storm brought to light some issues the residents and the township may not have seen with smaller storms. They can work together with the developer, home builder, and residents to get the stormwater into the existing storm system.

Residents are required to control the water run-off from their properties per the township Ordinance. It is not the Townships' responsibility to fix these issues, as these are on the homeowners' property. However, the township will investigate the concerns brought up tonight as they understand the residents' frustration and concerns.

The Townships Engineer and Director of Engineering and Planning confirmed the ponds are functioning as designed with this storm. The Conservation District has the final say in approving the ponds.

DEVELOPERS TIME

1. A motion was made to TABLE until the July 8, 2025 meeting the request to extend the Conditional Use Application of Central Christian Academy for temporary accessory structures in the R-2, Residential Zoning District at 145 McGovern Road for twelve (12) months as requested by the applicant and subject to the same terms and conditions of the original approval dated July 23, 2024 and adopt resolution R-9-2025, accordingly. All Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.

Discussion took place between the board and Randy McCray on the expansion plan progress and the temporary trailers. Randy gave the board information at the meeting. The board would like to review these documents and will decide at their July 8, 2025 meeting.

STAFF REPORTS:

Robert Fetty Asst. Fire Chief Chartiers Township Fire Department gave an update on the volume of calls they have received. They have been busy with calls as well as training their fire fighters.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS:

Mrs. Kolovich -Family Bingo was a fun event for the kids and families. Everyone had a great time and there was a nice turnout for this event.

Mr. Wise -None Mr. Shober -None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mrs. Kolovich to approve the minutes for the Regular meetings of May 13, 2025, and May 27, 2025, as presented. All Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mrs. Kolovich to make an offer of employment to <u>Wyatt Kincaid</u> for the position Laborer in the Public Works, conditional upon a pre-employment drug screening. All Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. A motion was made by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mrs. Kolovich to approve the letter of support for Alumicore's PA SITES application to redevelop the ATI Steel site on Western Ave. All Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.
- A motion was made by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mrs. Kolovich to authorize payment of invoices indicated on the enclosed listing. Invoices to be paid are posted on the bulletin board for review.

Comm. Center Operating Fund: \$1,036.14; Friends of Chartiers Comm Parks Fund: \$1,055.00; General Fund: \$118,712.57; Local Services Tax: \$2,643.46; Payroll Fund: \$4,756.02; Sewer Fund: \$94,866.31

Utilities Online: \$17,503.59

All Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- 1. 2025 Sewer Rehab-Jen has received comments and will review the footage for defects.
- 2. Barnickel and Country Club Gateway has received comments from PennDOT. They are working on the responses.
- WEWJA Items
 - a. Arden Pump Station-The township received an email from WEWJA today. They have not had time to review but will have an update for the next meeting.
 - b. Arden Mines Sewage Project-This item is moving forward.
 - c. WEWJA Act 537 -This item is moving forward.

4. Summerfield Woods Punchlist-Joe Sites is continuing to send emails both to the contractor and developer to try and get this item moving.

John Casey 458 Spruce Lane asked if there was anything more the township could do. It seems the developer and contractors are not progressing. Joe Sites and the Township agree it is easier to try and work with the developer and contractor to get as much done as possible before proceeding with another avenue. Joe is working diligently to get these items completed.

- 5. Western Avenue Sewer Project-Gateway has an update on the flows along with a summary. They will meet with the township to discuss.
- 6. Parks and Recreation Opportunities
 - a. Pickleball Court Development-Construction started this week.
 - b. DCNR Grant-No Update.
 - c. Bingo-Family bingo was a success.
 - d. Community Day-This Sunday June 29, 2025, will be Chartiers Community Day event. There will be vendors, games, and fireworks.

7. 2024 Bond Issue

- a. Police Department Renovations-Gateway is working on designs for the Township to review.
- b. Windows-This will be completed when construction starts on the Police Station.
- c. Access Control-The deposit has been paid. The township is waiting for a start date.
- d. Meeting Room Audio/Visual Improvements-Jodi has received one quote and is seeking additional quotes for this item.
- 8. Public Works Projects
 - a. Arthur Road Stormwater-Public Works started this project.
 - b. Arthur Road Sanitary Extension-Jodi sent letters to the property owners.
- 9. CHSD Silver Maples Overflow Parking Request-Jenn and Ed will meet to discuss equipment and supplies for this project along with the cost.
- 10. Ordinance Amendments-Jen is working on the revisions.
- 11. American Spirit Grant Opportunity-The board needs to discuss this opportunity and let Jodi know how they would like to proceed.
- 12. Asphalt Zipper-Jodi spoke with a representative from South Strabane, and they are moving forward with this purchase. They have offered to purchase this item and work out the shared expense and or rental later.
- 13. PA Trolley Museum Fee Waiver Request-The Trolley Museum has asked the board to grant a fee waiver for their building permit. The board will discuss and

decide at their next meeting. If they decide to waive this fee it would be the 20% fee the township collects. They would still be required to pay the 80% fee to Harshman CE Group.

- 14. June 14th 17th Storm Events-The township had several areas that were affected by the storm events that took place. It is estimated the township received 2-3 inches of rain within 45 minutes. They anticipated this was a 200-500 year storm event that took place. The township is working with residents to facilitate help with what they can.
- 15. Steel Plates-McMillan Welding made two steel plates for Public Works to place on Arthur Road to cover an exposed area. Ed Jeffries has asked the board to approve this purchase as it was necessary.

A motion was made by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mrs. Kolovich to approve the purchase of two steel plates from McMillen Welding in the amount of \$2,300.00. All Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mrs. Kolovich to authorize the purchase of a walk behind saw from Ferguson Waterworks in the amount of \$2,747.60 for the Public Works Department. All Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried 3-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Rebecca Bails 458 McClane Farm Road asked the board if there is an issue with the drain near her residence and asked if it would be fixed.

Yes, there is an issue with the drain. Ed has PA One called the area and the guys will be cleared to start working on the drain Friday.

Mr. Casey 458 Spruce Ave asked the township if there is a certain amount of snow that falls when they call Public Works out on the roadways in winter. He is inquiring based on his development being responsible for plowing their roadways and when the HOA should call out their plow trucks.

Ed the Public Works Director usually gauges this on the icy conditions along with the snowfall. A general answer would be approx. 2 in. of snow before they plow. Under that he advised we salt and anti-skid only.

Lark Altman 467 Spruce Lane thanked the township for having the bush trimmed that was obstructing the roadway at the Moninger Heights entrance.

ADJOURNMENT Time: 6:51 pm	
Jamie Rozzo – Recording Secretary	
	Secretary, Frank Wise Jr.