

SHERWOOD GREENS ROAD IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE DISTRICT
413-274-2374

Prudential Committee Minutes for November 4, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 am.

In attendance were Committee members Terry Hayden, Marc Schultz, Joe Hanrahan, Bruce Lipton, Susan Hovani, Sharon Cutler & Joan Boccino

Also present were Bob Moore – Road Superintendent; Kathleen Borden – Treasurer; Jane Hanrahan, District Clerk

Residents present: Sandy Moore, Dean LaGrotteria, Lisa Saunier, Ken Einhorn, Fred Zemel

The meeting was not recorded.

Review of the September 2023 Meeting Minutes

Motion made to approve the September Meeting Minutes by Sharon and seconded by Bruce. The motion was approved by roll call.

Treasurer Report

Kathy let us know that a change needed to be made to the reports sent. A bill from Gary O'Brien had the same invoice number and the amount should be \$4000 not \$2000. Kathy explained that there were a lot of bills because it was two months' worth of work. Next month, it should be just the winter payment going to O'Brien and whatever work he does on the roads.

Tax payments will start to come in now from October and we should see a healthy amount of receipts next month. The October receipts were \$7,277.59 and the November warrant is \$18,527.68. We have \$4,664.58 in the bank. The warrant will be signed via DocuSign.

Bruce asked about the lake signs being under the lakes budget. Kathy explained that they can be moved to another line item if we needed.

The insurance company quoted \$5,000 for the general liability insurance and \$2,500 or \$1,925 for directors' and officers' insurance. We will discuss the director's and officer's insurance further at our December meeting, and due to the amount of the general liability insurance, this will be discussed with the residents at the Annual Meeting.

Motion made to approve the treasurer's report by Marc and seconded by Bruce. The motion was approved unanimously by roll call.

Roads Report

Bob reported that Mike Lavery asked about moving the old mail shed and using it for the kids bus stop. Bob told Mike that the plan was to use it as our storage unit whenever we could get the funds to get that front closed in. It's way too heavy to be picked up and moved.

There was a question about the roads getting dirty as the trees are getting chipped up. Everybody can have access to the woodchips.

There is work being done on Bruce's house and the concrete company was confronted about washing their chute by a non-resident. John Peruse complained about some water dumping that occurred, but it was just water going down a chute. Bob took care of the situation.

Finally, the three beach signs showed up and Bob installed them. We are still waiting for the one-way sign for the entrance.

Bob reminded us that if there is a branch on the power lines, any resident can call it in. The number is 1-877-659-6326.

Fred brought up a concern regarding an indentation on Bow North that is deep, and after it rains, it sits around for days. There was a discussion about fixing it before the winter and before it could get worse. There was also a discussion about just fixing the depression or fixing the whole road. It was decided that it made more sense to fix the entire road since it hadn't been touched for several years. Kathy shared that, looking at the budget and the line items, it makes sense to do it now. We have nothing major coming up with the exception of the one payment for the winter contract.

A motion was made by Sharon and seconded by Marc to repair Bow North for \$3500. The motion was approved unanimously by roll call.

A motion was made by Marc and seconded by Sharon to accept the Roads Report. The motion was approved unanimously by roll call.

Lakes Report

Bruce reported that there will be an invoice for \$8,121 from Aquatic Restoration for their monitoring work, plus their filing work. Water and Wetlands will be \$5100 plus \$850 for their year-end report, and two days of cutting. Kathy asked when the invoice will be due and Bruce shared that we won't receive anything from Aquatic Restoration until Water and Wetlands has finished their work. Aquatic Restoration will add Water and Wetlands report to their report and submit it to the Conservation Committee.

There was a discussion about a planning schedule so that we have an idea of when big bills will be coming in.

Bruce shared that we should start thinking at the end of December or January about what treatments to do for the coming season. We have now completed a two-year cycle of treating all the lakes, and Bruce will talk with all our consultants to ask for advice on what we should do next. The lakes are now in very good shape.

Motion made to approve the Lakes Report by Susan and seconded by Marc The motion was approved unanimously by roll call.

Additional Business

Bruce shared that when he got the bond for the work being done on his house, it was unclear what type of bond he needed. It was asked if our attorney could specify what type of bond a homeowner needs. Marc and Sharon volunteered to look at the language of the Bylaws.

Marc will send an update to the residents regarding the Winter Policy. We will also post the Winter Policy on the bulletin board at the mailbox and ask the Town to post it on our website.

Marc submitted our annual benthic mat survey to the Conservation Commission.

Motion made to end the meeting by Marc and seconded by Bruce. The motion was approved unanimously by roll call.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:19am

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Hanrahan

District Clerk

Documents discussed at this meeting:

FY24 Budget

FY 24-5 Warrant