

Newport Township Board of Commissioners AGENDA

JANUARY 6, 2025

6:00 PM

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
2. ROLL CALL
3. CITIZENS COMMENTS
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 2, 2024 MEETING
5. REPORT OF TOWNSHIP FUNDS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024

GENERAL FUND	(PSBT)	\$89,390.67
CONTINGENCY FUND	(PLGIT)	\$612,166.68
CAPITAL PURCHASE ACCT	(PLGIT)	\$28,948.66
RECYCLING FUND	(PLGIT)	\$26,574.07
REFUSE FUND	(PSBT)	\$177.34
REFUSE FUND	(PLGIT)	\$25,866.77
LIQUID FUELS	(PLGIT)	\$39,170.36
RECREATION USE FUND	(PSBT)	\$100.01
TOTAL CASH ON HAND AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024		\$822,394.56

6. APPROVAL OF NONRECURRING BILLS PAID DURING DECEMBER 2024
7. APPROVAL OF RECURRING BILLS TO BE PAID IN JANUARY 2025
8. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

STREET DEPARTMENT-MR CZAPRACKI

POLICE REPORT-MR ZYLA

CODE ENFORCEMENT-MS. ZALESKI

FIRE DEPARTMENT – MR ROKE

PARKS & RECREATION-MR VISHNEFSKI

9. SOLICITORS REPORT- ATTY. CHRIS SLUSSER
10. FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT REPORT - MS. JENNIFER POLITO
11. TOWNSHIP MANAGERS REPORT:

I RECEIVED A LETTER FROM EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR JASON KOWALSKI IN REGARDS TO THE FIRE AT THE OLD PULASKI SCHOOL

THE 2025 REFUSE AND RECYCLING BILLS HAVE BEEN MAILED. THE FEE FOR 2025 IS \$385.00 PAYABLE BY APRIL 30.

THE WVSA IS PREPARING AN ACT 537 PLAN UPDATE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THEIR FORCE MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT ON THE SAN SOUCI HIGHWAY. ON TONIGHTS AGENDA UNDER NEW BUSINESS THERE IS A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THIS PROJECT.

THE LOWER SOUTH VALLEY COG FUELING STATION SHOULD BE OPERATIONAL BY APRIL 2025. THIS SHOULD RESULT IN A 20 TO 25% SAVINGS IN GASOLINE FUEL COSTS . A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH HANOVER TOWNSHIP IS ON TONIGHTS AGENDA.

BEGINNING JANUARY 1ST NO GLASS WILL BE COLLECTED AT THE CURB. GLASS IS TO BE DROPPED OFF AT THE DUMPSTER AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING PARKING AREA

NO NONSENSE NEUTERING VOUCHERS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING

A. NEW BUSINESS:

A MOTION TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF \$7,848.75 FROM THE REFUSE ACCOUNT AND \$14,687.25 FROM THE RECYCLING ACCOUNT TO THE GENERAL ACCOUNT TO COVER EXPENSES FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 2024

A MOTION TO APPOINT JASON KOWALSKI AS NEWPORT TOWNSHIP FIRE CHIEF FOR 2025

A MOTION TO APPOINT KYLE GRUBER AS NEWPORT TOWNSHIP DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF FOR 2025

A MOTION TO HIRE JOHN ZEGARSKI AS A PART TIME FIRE APPARATUS DRIVER

A MOTION TO APPOINT JEREMY BLANK AS NEWPORT TOWNSHIP POLICE CHIEF FOR 2025

A MOTION TO APPOINT PENN EASTERN ENGINEERS AS THE NEWPORT TOWNSHIP ENGINEER FOR 2025

A MOTION TO APPOINT B H & W CONSULTING SERVICES AS THE NEWPORT TOWNSHIP CODE ENFORCEMENT AGENCY FOR 2025

A MOTION TO APPOINT THE SLUSSER LAW FIRM AS THE NEWPORT TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR FOR 2025

A MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO.1 OF 2025 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF NEWPORT TOWNSHIP, LUZERNE COUNTY ,PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING AN OFFICIAL ACT 537 PLAN UPDATE REVISION(LIMITED SCOPE)

A MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO.2 OF 2025 A RESOLUTION OF THE NEWPORT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN HANOVER TOWNSHIP AND LOWER SOUTH VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS RELATIVE TO THE USE OF A REGIONAL MUNICIPAL FUELING STATION SITUATE IN HANOVER TOWNSHIP

16. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

17. ADJOURNMENT

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISUCUSS CONTRACTUAL MATTERS