

**Tredyffrin Township  
Public Meeting  
Minutes – January 21, 2025**

A public meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Tredyffrin Township was held on the above date at the Tredyffrin Township Building and via Zoom. Board members present included Chair David Miller, Vice Chair Julie Gosse, KS Bhaskar, Matt Holt, Sharon Humble, Carlotta Johnston-Pugh (via Zoom), and Murph Wysocki. Also, in attendance were Township Manager William Martin; Chief Operating Officer Joseph DiRocco; Township Solicitor Patrick McKenna; Police Chief Mike Beaty; Director of Planning & Zoning Erin McPherson; Township Engineer Stephen Burgo; and Recording Secretary Patricia Hoffman.

The meeting dates for the year were advertised in the 12/27/2024 issue of Daily Local and the 1/5/2025 issue of the Main Line Suburban. The meetings dates for the year were published on the Township website by 12/31/2024 and were printed in the Township's newsletter 1/31/2025. The agenda was posted on the Township website 1/16/2025 and at the main entrance to the Township Building 1/16/2025. Copies of the agenda were made available for the public in attendance at the meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

Mr. Bhaskar and Rob Croner, Chair of the Library Board of Trustees, presented the 2024 Library Hero Award to Kate Currgan, President of the Friends of Tredyffrin Public Library.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- In observance of Presidents Day, Township offices will be closed Monday, February 17.
- Contention Lane, specifically the Contention Lane Bridge over the Chester Valley Trail, and roadway section between Coldstream Drive and Swedesford Road will be closed to traffic starting in mid-February through March 2025 for bridge deck repairs and wooden deck replacement.
- The Supervisors and Engineering Department remind residents and commuters that you may experience temporary roadway delays or closures during the construction on the following Township capital construction projects:
  - Valley Forge Road ADA/Signals Project - work is being done between intersection of Walker Road through Chesterbrook Boulevard/Sullivan/Anthony Wayne Drive and the two ramps onto the SB and NB Route 202.
  - Bair Road Stormwater Project - work is being done on drainage and stormwater improvements on Bair Road between intersection of Mt. View and Keller.
  - Strafford Park Stormwater Project - work is being done on and/around the Strafford Park Parking Lot located off Upper Gulph Road.

We thank residents for their patience and understanding as the Township and our contractors work to complete these public improvement projects.

Mr. Miller acknowledged Mr. Burgo for his work on these projects.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Mr. Bhaskar, seconded by Mr. Wysocki, and passed unanimously to approve minutes of the December 16, 2024.

Motion made by Mr. Bhaskar, seconded by Dr. Gosse, and passed unanimously to approve minutes of the January 6, 2025, Organization Meeting.

**TOWNSHIP BUSINESS**

Mr. Miller stated that the Board met in Executive Session prior to this meeting to discuss legal matters.

***Mill Road Bridge Project Presentation***

Matthew Hickson, P.E., Vice President of TPD, presented an update for the Mill Road Bridge over Valley Creek project.

When asked, he responded that construction should start in the spring of 2026. Design will occur later in 2025.

***Supervisor Liaison Reports***

The Supervisors provided reports for the following meetings:

- Ms. Humble stated that the next Park & Rec Board meeting is scheduled for February 12.
- Mr. Holt stated that there are a number of candidates who submitted their information for consideration for appointment to the Arts Commission.
- Dr. Gosse reported on the Historical Commission meeting held on January 9. The next meeting is scheduled for February 13.
- Mr. Wysocki reported on the Planning Commission meeting held on January 16. The next meeting is scheduled for February 20.
- Mr. Bhaskar reported on the Traffic Committee meeting held on December 18. The next meeting is scheduled for March 19.
- Mr. Bhaskar stated that Environmental Advisory Council and the Library Board of Trustees have not yet met in 2025. The next EAC meeting is scheduled for January 28 and the next Library Board meeting is scheduled for January 23.

***More information for these meetings can be found on the Township website in the minutes for each meeting.***

### ***Finance Update***

Mr. DiRocco provided a year-end summary for the budget and finances for 2024. He noted that 2024 was a good year and is expected to end with a surplus. He stated that by year-end, transfer taxes and permit fees were higher than was planned for in the 2024 budget.

He stated that the Finance Department is finishing up the migration to the new GL program and they are making preparation for the audit.

Mr. Miller acknowledged Mr. DiRocco and the staff for their work on managing the budget in 2024.

### ***UCC Board Reappointments***

Motion made by Mr. Holt, seconded by Mr. Wysocki, and passed unanimously to reappoint Rene Hoffman, Robert Hytha, Daniel Jalboot, and Peter Zimmerman to the UCC Board of Appeals.

### ***Bid Approval***

Motion made by Mr. Bhaskar, seconded by Mr. Wysocki, and passed unanimously to approve the bids for the sale of used vehicles and equipment:

- 2008 Bobcat - \$18,300
- 2006 Ford F350 XLT - \$4,200
- 2008 Ford F350 - \$4,700
- 2001 Marathon Trailer - \$4,400
- 2024 Chevy Tahoe front center seat/console - \$110
- Federal Signal interior light bars - \$150
- Whalen Light Bar - \$81
- 2022 Ford Expedition rear cage - \$6
- 2022 Ford Expedition push bumper - \$42
- 2014 Harley Davidson emergency lights - \$200
- 2007 Ford Fit - \$1,500

### ***Resolution: 2025 Safe Digging Month***

Motion made by Mr. Bhaskar and was seconded by Ms. Humble to adopt Resolution #2025-08 designating April 2025 as Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month, the initiative sponsored by Pennsylvania 811, a utility notification information center. Following discussion, a roll call vote was taken: Ms. Humble – aye; Mr. Holt – aye; Dr. Gosse – aye; Mr. Wysocki – aye; Mr. Bhaskar – aye; Ms. Johnston-Pugh – aye; Mr. Miller – aye. The Resolution was adopted with a 7-0 vote.

### ***Purchase – Phone System***

Motion made by Ms. Humble, seconded by Mr. Wysocki, and passed unanimously to approve the proposal from RingCentral to move from the current VOIP phone solution to a cloud-based solution at a one-time cost of \$7,732.80 for setup and training and a monthly cost of \$1,760.

### ***Library Bank Accounts***

Motion made by Mr. Bhaskar, seconded by Ms. Johnston-Pugh, and passed with a 6-0 vote to authorize Chief Operating Officer to open two new bank accounts for the libraries. Mr. Holt abstained from the vote.

Mr. Bhaskar confirmed that these accounts were separate from the Chester County Library System accounts.

Ms. Johnston-Pugh confirmed that there would be no fees incurred for these accounts.

***Demo Proposal - Park Ridge Drive***

Motion made by Dr. Gosse, seconded by Mr. Wysocki, and passed unanimously to approve the proposal from Brubaker Excavating Inc. for the demolition at 595 Park Ridge Drive in the amount of \$86,100.

Mr. Wysocki confirmed that this was part of the FEMA stormwater grant project and that the Township would be reimbursed.

***Capital Purchase – Police Vehicles***

Motion made by Ms. Humble, seconded by Mr. Bhaskar, and passed unanimously to approve capital purchase of the following police vehicles:

- 1 Ford F150 Lightning EV - \$53,894, to be used by Traffic Safety Division.
- 1 Chevrolet Tahoe at a cost of - \$57,442, to be used by Patrol Supervisors.
- 1 Ford Police Interceptor Utility (PIU) - \$49,158, to be used by Patrol Officers.

The total cost of the three vehicles combined will be \$160,494. The estimated upfit costs of these vehicles and the vehicle purchased at the end of 2024 will be \$69,506.

***Wilson Farm Park Improvements Bids***

Motion made by Mr. Wysocki, seconded by Ms. Humble, and passed unanimously to reject bids for Wilson Farm Park Improvements because they were higher than what was budgeted for the project. The bid package will be reviewed and possibly revised by staff and the consultant, Simone Collins.

Mr. Holt expressed disappointment but commended Mr. DiRocco and his staff for their diligence.

Dr. Gosse asked if there would be any impact on the grand funding to which Mr. DiRocco responded that there should be no impact, but he would contact DCNR to provide them with an update.

***Escrows***

Motion made by Dr. Gosse, seconded by Mr. Wysocki, and passed unanimously to approve the following escrow releases:

- Release request #2 for Meinel Road LLC (105 Vincent Road) in the amount of \$72,687.45; balance remaining \$136,917.78
- Release request #3 for ABH Builders Inc. (958 Mt Pleasant Road) in the amount of \$9,416.00; balance remaining \$33,342.23

***Reapportionment Advisory Committee***

Motion made by Mr. Bhaskar, seconded by Mr. Wysocki, and passed unanimously to establish the Reapportionment Advisory Committee, an ad-hoc committee to consist of Mr. Miller, Dr. Gosse, Mr. Bhaskar, Mr. Martin, Doug Anestad, and one member from each political party.

Mr. Bhaskar asked if it could move precincts to which the response was that it could.

Resident Sandy Forbes asked if this was ever done before to which Mr. Martin responded that it was last done in the past as a result of the certified census and that it is being done at this time as a result of the 2020 certified census, per the Home Rule Charter.

**NEW MATTERS**

***Board***

Mr. Holt asked for and received an update for the proposed project on Branch Avenue. Mr. Burgo stated that work should start in early spring.

Mr. Miller acknowledged Mr. Burgo for the completion of the work on the Glenhardie Road Bridge. The bridge reopened with a ribbon-cutting on December 23. Plantings will be done in the spring.

***Citizens***

Glenhardie Condominium resident Zach Henrich expressed his concerns for brightness of the replacement lighting that was installed throughout the Glenhardie complex. He provided printed information for the supervisors and staff.

There was discussion regarding the lighting upgrades that were approved by the supervisors in December 2019.

Mr. DiRocco and Ms. McPherson took his information and will follow up.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors is scheduled for February 18, 2025

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Hoffman  
Recording Secretary