The Organizational Meeting of the Eldred Township Supervisors was called to order by acting Chairman Cody Hoover on January 2, 2024 at 6:40 PM at the Eldred Township Volunteer Fire Company Building, Warrensville, PA. Chairman Cody Hoover, Supervisor/Roadmaster Mark Ranck (via telephone), Supervisor Nathan Katzmaier, and Secretary/Treasurer Amy See.

Cody Hoover was re-elected Chairman following a motion from Mark Ranck, with a second from Nate Katzmaier, unanimous. Mark Ranck was elected Vice-Chairman following a motion from Cody Hoover, with a second from Mark Ranck, unanimous. Mark Ranck was re-elected as Road Master following a motion from Cody Hoover, with a second from Nate Katzmaier, unanimous. John Harvey was appointed as Assistant Roadmaster following a motion from Cody Hoover, with a second from Nate Katzmaier, unanimous. Amy See was re-appointed as Secretary/Treasurer and Tammy Koser as Financial Consultant following a motion from Nate Katzmaier, with a second from Mark Ranck, unanimous.

A recommendation will be made to the Eldred Township Auditors for the following wages: Supervisors meeting pay $50.00 per meeting. The hourly wages: Roadmaster - $25.00 per hour; Assistant Roadmaster - $25.00 per hour. These wages were approved following a motion from Cody Hoover, with a second from Nate Katzmaier, unanimous; Mark Ranck abstained due to his position of Roadmaster. Roadworker/Laborer with experience (Scott Wheeland) - $25.00 per hour; new hire Roadworker/Laborer with no experience -$18.00 per hour; Secretary/Treasurer - $21.00 per hour; Financial Consultant - $22.00 per hour. These wages were approved following a motion from Mark Ranck, with a second from Nate Katzmaier, unanimous. The Treasurer's bond will remain at $3,000,000.00 following a motion from Mark Ranck, with a second from John Harvey, unanimous, at the 11/1/2023 meeting.

Drier Law Office will remain as township solicitor at the fee of $250/meeting, $145/hour attorney time, and $60/hour legal assistant following a motion from Cody Hoover, with a second from Nate Katzmaier, unanimous. Richard Lowe, PC, will provide accounting services for $275-$375 per quarter following a motion from Nate Katzmaier, with a second from Mark Ranck, unanimous; and to conduct the annual audit and required reports for a fee ranging from $4,800 to $5,400 following a motion from Mark Ranck, with a second from Nate Katzmaier, unanimous. R.K. Webster, LLC will provide engineering services at the fee of $109/hour per Professional Engineer, $65/hour per Staff Engineer, $135/hour per 1-man GPS survey, and $151/hour per 2-man survey crew following a motion from Mark Ranck, with a second from Nate Katzmaier, unanimous. Cody Hoover would like to have a conversation with Leighann Ellington once we receive a fee schedule. For now, Code Inspections, Inc. will continue to provide building and zoning services with the 2024 contract/fees with no increase from the 2023 contract (Fee Schedule Attached) following a motion from Cody Hoover, with a second from Mark Ranck, unanimous. The Planning Commission has 1 vacancy (offering Ken Bear 1st option to accept another term) following a motion from Mark Ranck, with a second from Cody Hoover, with 1 opposed. The Zoning Hearing Board remains the same, Amy will verify Fred Holland remaining as Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor. The Eldred Township Auditors for 2024 will be Joan Manning and Debra Weisbrod. The SEO will be on a month-to-month basis with Terry Meyers until we find a permanent solution (Fee Schedule Attached) following a motion from Cody Hoover, with a second from Mark Ranck, unanimous.

The Tax millage rates for real estate, previously set during budget preparation, were confirmed by the Board at 0 mills for the township, 0.359 mills for fire tax, with a 2% discount rate and a 10% penalty rate for real estate, and 1% realty transfer tax following a motion from Nate Katzmaier, with a second from Mark Ranck, unanimous. Zoning hearing deposits will remain at $900.00 following a motion from Mark Ranck, with a second from Nate Katzmaier, unanimous. Purchase limits for the Roadmaster and Secretary/Treasurer will be $1,000; Supervisors will be $200 following a motion by Cody Hoover, with a second from Mark Ranck, unanimous. The General funds, State funds, Act 13 monies, CDs, and escrow accounts will remain with Journey Bank (formerly Muncy Bank and Trust) following a motion from Mark Ranck, with a second from Nate Katzmaier, unanimous. Pumping Permit will remain at $15 following a motion from Nate Katzmaier, with a second from Cody Hoover, unanimous. The 2024 Budget was accepted following a motion from Nate Katzmaier, with a second from Mark Ranck, unanimous.

A more complete and detailed report containing additional information approved at the organizational meeting for 2024 is on file at the Eldred Township Office. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 PM by Cody Hoover.

APPROVED: Respectfully submitted,

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