

**Main Township Supervisors Meeting
July 6, 2020 7:00 pm**

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present for the meeting were:

Tom Shuman, Vice Chairman

Robert Frey, Supervisor

Matthew Turowski, Solicitor

First Order of Business

Resignation of Supervisor

Lisa read the resignation letter from Robert Baylor, Supervisor stating that he resigns from the position of Supervisor of Main Township, effective June 2, 2020. Bobby made a motion to approve the resignation of Robert Baylor, Tom second the motion, all were in favor.

Appointment of Supervisor

Bobby stated that the vacancy was advertised, and they received a letter of interest from Randy Rhoads. Bobby then made a motion to appoint Randy Rhoads as Supervisor to fill the vacancy, Tom seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Mr. Turowski swore in Randy Rhoads with the Oath of Office.

Mr. Bodman asked is that was the only application they received, and Tom stated yes.

Appointment of Chairman

Tom made a motion to appoint Robert Frey as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors; Randy Rhoads seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Minutes of Meeting

Lisa read the minutes from the June 11th meeting; Tom made a motion to approve the June minutes and treasurer's report; Randy seconded the motion.

Treasurers Report

General Fund

Previous Balance General Fund	\$198,569.15
Deposits Received	\$13,378.51
Bills Paid	\$14,002.37
Current Balance	\$197,945.29

Employer Tax Account Fund

Previous Balance	\$1,364.14
PA Department of Revenue	\$187.97
Current Balance	\$1,176.17

Special Account

Current Balance	\$200.00
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Fire Tax Account

Previous Balance	\$17,903.04
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Deposit	\$245.29
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Current Balance	\$18,148.33
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State Account

Previous Balance	\$184,677.82
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Interest	\$37.85
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Bills Paid	\$0.00
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Current Balance	\$184,715.67
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Public Comment

Ralph Defrain asked how he can get a hold of Larry Frace since he has left messages for him but hasn't heard anything back. He has a few windows to replace and wants to know if he needs a permit. Bobby stated that Larry Frace is out of medical reasons and asked if Mr. Defrain if he was changing anything structurally with the replacements, Mr. Defrain stated no, and Bobby told him since he is just replacing as is, no permit would be required.

Tom Arnold wanted to know if anything was going to be done with the unsafe structure next to his house. The building is ready to fall down and his house is only 23 ft. away and it is only 6 ft. off the road. Tom stated that they are working on it and the supervisors are looking at adopting a deteriorated building ordinance so buildings like that can be torn down. Tom stated that nothing in the current ordinance has any teeth to it to take action, and they are hoping to adopt the ordinance in the next few months.

Kim Orzolek stated that she was not able to participate in the May Zoom meeting since she was only given access at the end of the meeting. Dave Broadt stated that he felt she was being unreasonable since everyone is just in the process of learning to use these types of meetings and she should be understandable.

Mr. Bodman stated that Robert C Young, Inc. did a nice job on their work on East Hillcrest. Bobby stated they did do a nice job and they also put a pipe in on Church Road by Arden's where they didn't even know there was a pipe.

Mr. Bodman also asked if the supervisors planned on any tree trimming and if so, there is a tree opposite of Dawn Fisher's driveway that needs trimmed. Bobby asked if the branches are big, Mr. Bodman stated no so Bobby said he will send the townships guys

out to trim it.

Mr. Bodman also stated that he heard rumors that the police are having their hours cut. Tom stated that they were cut back during the beginning of the Covid spike since traffic was down, but now their hours are back up and the new officer Nick Saullo will be coming this week as well. Tom also stated that the state paperwork for criminal complaints takes a lot of time to complete.

Charlie Williams stated that Bobby said three bids were received for the pipe work and wanted to know if they were telephone quotes. Bobby stated he has the bids on paper, and they had three companies to work with for three separate pipes and were all under the bidding threshold of \$21,000 and only telephone quotes are needed. The reason he bid them as three separate bids was to stay away from prevailing wage for large projects. Mr. Williams stated that the quotes were not published, and they could have picked anyone. Tom stated that they are not there to rip off the township they are trying to save the township money.

Mr. Williams also stated that in last months minutes, under the state fund the balance went from \$94,339.50 to \$184,638.72 with the only income of \$141.81 interest and the supervisors approved. Lisa stated the road turnback and liquid fuels was received and since she was providing two months of activity instead of one like normal, she missed putting the deposit in the minutes and will correct online.

Old Business

Pipe Work

Bobby stated that Don E. Bower. has completed the pipes on Mt. Pink did not get the blacktop done yet.

Wheelchair Lift Grant

Tom stated that the engineer was thru the building and in order for the men's bathroom to be ADA compliant the wall on the right side needs to be taken out. The women's bathroom is fine. He also decided they are going to change the wheelchair lift to outside the building. The bidding is supposed to go out in September and the work has to be done by November 1st due to heating the building. Tom stated that even with the changes the township still only pays \$10,000 and the county pays the rest as part of the grant.

New Business

Debris Grant

Tom stated that he is also working on applying for debris grant for removal of debris from the creek behind Tom Bauman's to the furniture store to help with the flooding. The grant will match what the township puts into it. The creek has wood and trees down across it which causes it to back up and then it floods Tom Bauman's backyard, Tom's own pasture, and crosses over to the furniture store and floods the field by the township. No DEP permits will be needed as long as they just remove the wood debris and tree and no dirt. Tom stated that new farming practices are causing some of the

issue. Randy Rhoads stated that Penn Line was working by Bronson's and that is were a lot of the logs came from. Jack Lenhart stated that this will help with the township basement flooding and mud since when the field starts to flood it comes quick and there is no time to react. Tom stated he received an estimate of @ \$7,500 to do the work and is working with Eric Stahley on the grant.

Sewage Officer Report

Lisa read the June report submitted by William Brior:

- One sewage complaint – on site inspection at 833 Mainville Drive – Randy Hidlay
- On-lot sewage disposal – new application for James Gould
- Maintain Main Township's Act 149 files for April - June

Zoning/Construction Report

Lisa read a letter received from Larry Frace stating that effective July 1, 2020 he will be unable to perform UCC construction inspections due to recovery from heart surgery and that he contracted Tri-Cog Inspections of Bloomsburg to perform his inspections until he returns in approximately 4 weeks. His office will remain open 'by appointment' only to drop off permit applications. New permit applications will be issued in a timely basis.

Mr. Frace will not be able to perform zoning activities during this time with the exception of issuing zoning permits in those areas that he serves as zoning officer. He hopes to be back in the office by July 13, 2020. Residents with zoning issues such as complaints, will be referred back to their township offices.

Zoning Permits

No zoning permits were issued.

Construction Permits

No construction permits were issued.

William & Diane Johnson Subdivision

1-Lot – 1.761 acres

Not for Development Removal

The supervisors had Larry Frace review the subdivision plan and he approved the plans. This lot is a non-conforming lot and was originally approved as not for development. Bill and Diane Johnson have sold their home and now they have to submit a new plan to bring up to a conforming lot. Mr. Turowski stated that at the time they purchased the property it was two lots and most likely in order to save costs and time as well, the second lot was not perked, but now that they are selling the lots, the second one will need to be perked to make conforming for the buyer. It was also noted that the lot is undersized but since it is a pre-existing lot before zoning it is grandfathered in.

Police Report

Lisa read the police activity for the month of June:

Total hours – 109

Miles driven-390

Traffic citations - 16

Non traffic citations – 0

Police Reportable
accidents – 0
Non-reportable accidents – 0
Identity Theft Incidents - 2
Total Incidents – 46

Tom stated that Nicholas Saullo, the new part-time police officer will be starting to work soon. He was sworn in and has the shooting test for Columbia County scheduled and has started some training with Mike.

Tom made a motion to accept the police report; Randy seconded the motion

With no further business to discuss, Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35pm; Randy seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Schell
Secretary