

**Main Township Supervisors Meeting
May 3, 2021 7:00 pm**

First Order of Business

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

Present for the meeting were:

Randy Rhoads, Chairman	Matthew Turowski, Solicitor
Tom Shuman, Vice Chairman	Mike Krolikowski, Police Officer
Robert Baylor, Supervisor	
Lisa Schell, Secretary	

Minutes of Meeting

Randy stated that the minutes were posted to the webpage. Bob made a motion to approve the April 5, 2021 minutes, Tom seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Treasurer's Report

General Fund

Previous Balance	\$218,853.70
Deposits Received	\$16,808.57
Bills Paid	<u>-\$35,527.20</u>
Current Balance	<u>\$200,135.07</u>

Employer Tax Account Fund

Previous Balance	\$1,147.54
Commonwealth of PA	<u>(\$240.43)</u>
Current Balance	<u>\$907.11</u>

Special Account

Current Balance	\$200.00
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Fire Tax Account

Previous Balance	\$19,954.70
Deposit	<u>\$4,887.94</u>
Current Balance	<u>\$24,842.64</u>

State Account

Previous Balance	\$234,902.34
Interest	\$48.27
Current Balance	<u>\$234,950.61</u>

Public Comment

Pam Bankes, 2203 Railroad Lane stated she wanted to thank Mike for their conversation about speeding on Fisher Run Road and for the extra patrols. She stated that the vehicles are going too fast for her to get license plate numbers. Pam also stated that the only speed limit signs on the road is the one right off the bridge and there is nothing until closer to Catacove and she would appreciate if more signs could be put up or anything else that can be done to slow the traffic. Joyce Lingousky asked if rumble strips could be installed; the supervisors stated no since it would interfere with plowing. Mr. Bodman stated that Geisinger has speed bumps and said they plow. Mr. Turowski stated that there would be liability issues since it is a public road.

Mike stated that they will look at painting lines on the road by Charlie Williams house so it would give the police more substance at the magistrate’s office. Mike stated that unfortunately, due to sight distance, they do not have many options. He will also see if there would be enough distance if he would back into the railroad bed, but not sure they have the sight distance.

Charlie Williams stated that the only way to solve the issue is make the speed limit 15 mph. Randy stated the state set the speed limit on the roads and they would need to have an engineering study to change it.

Kim Orzolek asked if the vacancy on the zoning hearing board has been filled and they have not had any interest. Kim stated that she will fill the vacancy. The supervisors stated that they will make Larry Frace aware. Mr. Turowski stated that the supervisors should appoint the position. Tom then made a motion to appoint Kimberly Orzolek to the vacant alternate zoning hearing board position until next year’s reorganization; Bob Baylor seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Kim also stated that there is a speeding issue on East Hillcrest Drive, by her mother’s house. Mike stated that he is aware and has been sitting there a few times recently.

Mr. Bodman stated that he made Randy aware of several concerns and wanted to know if he had any answers. Randy stated that he is aware of his concerns but has not had a chance to discuss with the other supervisors or Matt.

Mr. Bodman asked Mike if the 911 hang up calls have been resolved. Mike stated in one week the 911 Center had 134 calls from the explosive plant. Mike called the main facility in Colorado who were very surprised of the issue and had it resolved within the week. It was determined that lines may have been abandoned but there were not officially taken down.

Mr. Bodman asked if the 2021 Resolution Establishing Rules and Regulations for Conduct of Meetings was posted on the website? Lisa stated she will check.

Old Business

Paving Bid Results

Lisa read the bid results from the special meeting (see separate minutes from the April 21, 2021 meeting). HRI, Inc. was the low bidder and was awarded the bid. Randy stated that they will be paving the existing and widen by 1 ft. with modify for berm and will have 18ft when complete.

Pipes

Lisa read the quotes received for one pipe replacements on Mt. Pink and two on Church Road and one drain by Beamers:

Robert C. Young - \$14,725.00

Don E. Bower - \$21,735.00

Sokol - \$19,300.00

Tom made a motion to accept the quote from Robert C. Young for the pipe replacements; Bob seconded the motion; all were in favor. Randy stated that he is going to have them top some of the existing pipes where they are sunken down since they will have their equipment here and it will not cost much.

Tractors

Randy stated that they decided to trade in the 31-year-old Case IH tractor on a new one. Randy received bids from Messick's for a New Holland, C.H. Waltz & Sons for a Kubota, and LandPro for a John Deere. They have decided to go with the John Deere since they offer a low interest 5-Year lease option with a \$1.00 buy-out at the end of the lease and they are closer for service work. The total for the tractor is \$64,652.00 with the Case IH trade-in and the interest rate for the five years is 3.75%. All prices received were thru the Costars, so no bidding is required.

Tom made a motion to purchase the John Deere tractor thru the Costars program with the 5-year lease with a \$1.00 buy-out; Bob seconded the motion; all were in favor.

White Ford Truck

Randy stated the truck is still at Sunbury Motors for the repairs waiting for a part that is backordered.

Chairlift

Tom stated the wheelchair lift is still on backorder for at least another three weeks. The guys are doing a very nice job on the work done so far. Tom also stated that Weston Brehm is no longer with the County and then he went over to the county to see the girl who he was working with on the Dirt & Gravel program since he has not heard from her lately and found out she is no longer works with the county either.

New Business

Tree Trimming

Randy stated that he received a quote from Susquehanna Tree Service for trimming on Brookside and in Wonderview and they will start on trimming shortly. Mr. Bodman stated that he will take the chips.

Yellow Truck Repairs

Randy stated that they received estimates to repair the box on the yellow truck. The truck is a 2006 with only 27,000 miles and they had Ferro's inspect the truck and they said it was in good shape, just needs a box. They got an estimate of just patching it from Precision Welding which was over \$4,000. They also got an estimate from Bradco Supply for a new box, painting, undercoat, and new mount for plow and reinstall the spreader for \$15,079.24 thru Costars. They decided to go with the new box from Bradco since everyone likes the yellow truck. Tom stated they should change the hydraulic couplings while they are doing all the work.

Tom made a motion to purchase the new truck bed from Bradco; Bob seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Sewage Officer Report

Lisa stated Mr. Brior issued an new on-lot sewage application to Michael Spagnuolo last month.

Zoning/Construction Report

Lisa read the April Zoning Report.

Zoning Permits:

Christian Parr, 132 Church Road, Addition
Louis Miksits, 385 Riverview Ave, Pool
Alison Gregas, 680 Scenic Dr., Pool

Construction Permits

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Louis Miksits, 385 Riverview Ave
Alison Gregas, 680 Scenic Dr.

Zoning Reports

Complaint about swimming pool on Mainville Drive without permits
Complaint working without permits on Mainville Drive
Inspections on ADA improvements by the contractor

Joyce Lingousky asked if there is any update on the garbage on 286 Main-Mifflin Dr. since it keeps piling up every day? The supervisors have not heard anything on it.

Bob made a motion to accept the April sewage officer and zoning reports; Tom seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Police Report

Mike read the police activity for the month of April:

Total Hours –184.5
Miles Driven– 931
Non-Traffic Citations – 0
Traffic Citations – 14
Criminal Incidents – 0
Incidents - 68
Domestic – 1
Reportable Accidents - 1

Mike stated that a representative from county did some training on the portable radios and Jen will be going to a one-week training on narcotic identification.

Mike stated they purchased a gun safe from Dunhams due to the new laws on domestic PFA's, since the department must store any guns when issuing a PFA until the PFA is exonerated. Mike thanked Tom for running up to meet him in Hazleton to put the safe on his credit card since Dunham's would not accept the township's check.

Tom made a motion to accept the police report; Bob seconded the motion.

Randy stated that in January, they appointed himself and Tom as co-directors for the police department and it is not working out since Mike does not know who to listen to since one supervisor tells him one thing and the other may say something else and he feels pulled in too many directions. In prior year's there was one director and one co-director.

Bob then made a motion to appoint Randy Rhoads as the head of the police department until the 2022 Reorganization meeting; Tom seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Charlie Williams asked why all three supervisors are roadmasters? Mr. Turowski stated that it is part of the township code that they be roadmasters. Randy stated there is no difference in pay, it is just a title. The auditor's set the pay for the supervisors.

They also discussed the pay rate for road worker's, and they feel there should be a labor rate and an operator rate to provide incentive to keep workers. They have a good group now. Charlie Williams stated that there should be defined job descriptions.

With no further business to discuss, Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm; Bob seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Schell
Secretary