

**Main Township Supervisors Meeting
January 3, 2022, 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:

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| Randy Rhoads, Chairman | Philip Savidge, Police Officer |
| Pamela Slusser, Supervisor | Mike Krolikowski, Police Officer |
| Lisa Schell, Secretary | Larry Frace, Zoning Officer |

Pam made a motion to appoint Randy Rhoads as temporary chairman for this meeting; Randy seconded the motion.

Appointment of 2022 Officers

Pam Slusser made a motion to appoint the following officers and positions:

Randy Rhoads as Chairman
Pamela Slusser as Vice Chairman
Robert Baylor, Supervisor
Lisa Schell as Secretary/Clerk
Robert Baylor, Jr. as Treasurer

Randy seconded the motion on the officers, all were in favor.

Pam made a motion to appoint the following:

Lisa Schell as vacancy board
Attorney Matthew Turowski as Solicitor
William Brior as Sewage Enforcement Officer
Larry Frace as Zoning Officer
Ralph Defrain, Jr. as Emergency Management Director
Randy Rhoads as Police Director
Lisa Schell as Open Records Officer
Philip Savidge as Police Chief, Mike Krolikowski as Senior Patrolman, Brandon Beck as Patrolman, John Pollard as Firearms Instructor and Thomas Brown as Defensive Tactic Instructor for a one-year term
Attorney Mike Gregorowicz as the Zoning Hearing Board solicitor
Charlotte Thomas, Nancy Broyan and Marie Gotshall as Auditors
Randy Rhoads, Josh Shuman, Gerald Bodman, Ronald Rhoads and Dave Cantore as Agricultural Security Board Members.

Retain First Columbia Bank as the township's depository

Obtain a treasurer's bond for Robert Baylor in the amount of \$200,000

The 2022 Office Hours will be on the 1st and 3rd Monday's from 5:30pm to 6:30 pm

Monthly meeting will be the first Monday of the month at 7:00 pm, unless it is a holiday, which then it will then be held on Tuesday.

Pam made a motion to accept all appointments for 2022; Randy seconded the motion; all were in favor.

The Zoning Hearing Board will reorganize on Thursday, January 5, 2022, at 7:00pm.

2022 Wages

Randy made a motion to approve the following wages for 2022:

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| Zoning Officer | \$13.00 |
| Building Code Officer | As billed by Mr. Frace |
| Chief Police Officer | \$16.00 |
| Patrolman | \$15.50 |
| Sr. Patrolman | \$14.50 |
| Instructors | \$14.50 |
| Equipment Operator | \$15.50 |
| Laborer | \$12.50 |
| Janitorial | \$11.50 |
| Secretary/Clerk | \$15,000 annual salary |

Pam seconded the motion of the wages; all were in favor.

Randy made a motion that:

Randy Rhoads, Pamela Slusser and Robert Baylor, Jr. be designated Roadmasters

2022 mileage rate set at \$ 0.58.5/mile

Zoning Fees for 2022:

- Zoning Hearing Board Fee \$800.00
- Appeal of Zoning Hearing Board Finding \$800.00
- Zoning Permit - \$25.00 for the first \$5,000 value of the structure
\$15.00 for the second \$5,000 value of the structure
Then \$4.00 per each \$1,000 over
- Driveway Permit \$125.00
- Driveway Reconstruction \$75.00
- Well Permit \$75.00
- Ordinance Book \$36.00

Appoint Larry Frace as the Building Code Enforcement Officer

Retain Todd Pysher as Engineer

Maintain the 2022 Fire Company Billing Charges as follows:

1. Bill the building owner \$100.00 plus any cost incurred at all structure fires with damage in excess of \$1,000
2. For all motor vehicle accidents, bill on a 3-tier basis:
 - a. \$100.00 for responding to an accident
 - b. \$200.00 for victim removal
 - c. \$300.00 for victim removal with heavy duty hydraulic equipment
3. No billing for community service events such as CO detector activation; medical assist, lifting and missing persons, etc.
4. Bill \$100.00 plus costs incurred for all wildfires

Pam made a motion to accept the Fire Company Billing Charges for 2022 as approved by Dave Broadt, Fire Chief; Randy seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Pam made the motion to accept all wages, nominations and appointments made for 2021; Randy seconded the motion; all supervisors were in favor.

Lisa stated the 2022 bidding thresholds are as follows:

- Goods or services that will cost \$21,900.00 or greater for a calendar year requires public bidding.
- Goods or services that will cost between \$11,800.00 and \$21,900.00 for a calendar year requires at least three written or telephonic quotes.
- Goods or services that cost less than \$11,800.00 for a calendar year can be purchased without any formal bidding or quotes

Minutes of Meeting

Randy stated that the minutes and agenda were available for review on the webpage. Randy made a motion to approve the December 6, 2021, Pam seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Treasurer's Report

General Fund

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| Previous Balance | 221,142.85 |
| Deposits Received | 20,280.22 |
| Bills Paid | <u>(29,819.90)</u> |
| Current Balance | <u>211,603.17</u> |

Employer Tax Account Fund

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| Previous Balance | 645.52 |
| Commonwealth of PA | <u>(306.61)</u> |
| Current Balance | <u>338.91</u> |

Special Account

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| Current Balance | <u>66,874.29</u> |
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Fire Tax Account

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| Previous Balance | 39,815.67 |
| Deposit | <u>167.62</u> |
| Current Balance | <u>39,983.29</u> |

State Account

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| Previous Balance | | 154,136.14 |
| Interest | | 32.62 |
| Cargill, Inc. | 1646 | (1,535.24) |
| Void | 1647 | 0.00 |
| Current Balance | | <u>152,633.52</u> |

Pam made a motion to approve the December treasurer’s report as read; Randy seconded the motion.

Public Comment

Mr. Bodman stated that he had two major barn fires, one July 21, 2002, and one on July 20, 2005, and he was surprised by the number of people that were not familiar with what happened. Mr. Bodman stated that the general comment is that they were a result of hot hay which caused spontaneous combustion. Mr. Bodman wanted it stated that both fires were deemed by the fire marshal to be arson.

Mr. Bodman also stated that at the November meeting there were concerns about the long dark hallway in this building and noticed that the light switch at the top of the stairs is behind the door and he suggested the light switch be moved from behind the door for safety reasons.

Mr. Bodman asked if it was determined if the roads in Wonderview are private roads or where they dedicated to the township. Randy stated that Bob Baylor is working on that issue, and he is not at the meeting tonight due to .

Mr. Bodman asked the status of the yellow truck repairs. Randy stated that the repairs are done, and the truck was inspected and back in service, but now the front u-joints are out.

Mr. Bodman asked about the status of the new tractor. Randy stated that it is scheduled for delivery with week of January 7th. The supervisors decided to trade in the International and keep the Kubota since it is working now.

Mr. Bodman stated that he is concerned with outside groups such as the Boy Scouts and Historical Group using the upstairs rooms in the township building since the police office is also located there. He stated that if a hostage situation would take place, it is a liability concern and there is not a police holding room. He also noted that one of the officers already had concerns with the Boy Scouts using a room if he is bringing someone back. Randy stated that he had requested a liability certificate from the Boy Scouts.

Mike Krolikowski stated that if the police were bringing someone up to their office, they would be handcuffed from behind and if they are violent, they would be secured in the car and they would call for additional help before bringing them into the building. Mike stated that they would remain cuffed at all times and leg restraints would also be used if needed. Mike also stated that regulations are changing as a result of the George Floyd incident as far as using different tactical moves. Philip Savidge stated that he is in the process of updating all the

police policies and all officers will be informed of any new changes.

Dave Broadt stated at the November meeting it was discussed about the Fire Department's finances and he stated that any funds that are appropriated by the township to the fire company are reported in the township's financial report. Dave stated the township pays for the fire company's liability and workers' compensation insurance, phone, and fuel.

Dave stated at a previous meeting he had stated that the fire company would like to use @ \$7,500 of the fire tax dollars to pay for a security and video system for their building and they also received a quote for \$29,000 for a new roof. Dave stated the three township supervisors attended the November Fire Company meeting and gave their input that they would like the fire company to provide a minimum of three bids for expenses they are asking to use the fire tax money for.

Dave stated that since that meeting the fire company decided that they will not request the fire tax funds be used for the security system or roof, they will use the money they have made from their raffles. They will split the roof into two portions for the work.

Dave stated they decided to build up the fire tax fund to @ \$100,000 and then look to purchase a tanker truck since their current one is a 1988 with 155,000 miles barring any major engine problems sooner. Dave's question to the supervisors was how they are expected to obtain three bids for a used truck. Randy stated that they would have to write up a bid notice with the specs and advertise in the paper. Mike Krolkowski stated that they could also look into Municibid for equipment.

Dave also stated that Mr. Bodman sent a Freedom of Information Act request to the fire company and the fire company replied asking for a 30-day extension. Dave stated that since then the department developed and approved to put a policy in place that their financials are closed to members only.

Dave stated that he spoke to the Office of Open Records, and they have turned down Mr. Bodman's request and he stated that he encouraged Mr. Bodman to appeal since there are no fees involved, but also stated that so far everyone who appealed these types of requests lost so far.

Dave also stated that if someone asks to become a member of the fire company there is about a 6-month process, they go thru, such as background checks and applications, then the request goes to the department for a vote to recommend or not recommend membership. They do not classify members as social members or active members and they do not recruit or advertising for new members.

Randy stated that the five minutes for discussion were up, and they would move on to other business.

Old Business

Wonderview Entrance

Randy stated that Bob Baylor did talk to Catawissa about the entrance, and they have to decide on what they want to do with it and reach out to our supervisors if they want.

New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

Sewage Officer Report

Lisa read the December report submitted by William Brior:

Provided correspondence on the sewage malfunction for Dan O’Kane.

Mr. Brior also maintained the township’s Act 149 files for December 2021.

Pam made a motion accept the Sewage Officer Report; Randy seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Zoning/Construction Report

Zoning Permits – no permits were issued.

Construction Permits – no permits were issued.

Zoning Issues

Discussion on 137 Deep Drift Drive, Bloomsburg and appealed the land development since they did not want to separate the property now waiting to see if they request an appeal.

Issued 10 Zoning Permits for a total of \$1,505.20 for the township

Issued 9 UCC Permits for a total \$3,907.00 for Larry Frace Inspections, LLC

\$640.00 for Zoning Servicers for 2021

Pam made a motion to accept the Zoning Report; Randy seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Police Report

Mike read the police activity for the month of December:

- Hours- 182.5
- Miles Driven- 1,128
- Incidents - 60
- Non-Traffic-0
- Traffic citations-5

Mike clarified that for his hourly wage he asked the supervisors to keep his rate the same due to being retired from the university and only allowed to make a certain amount of income each year.

Mike stated that they acquired new firearms for the township since the current firearms were utilized by the FBI and it required a lot of paperwork which took a lot of time to do. Those firearms were taken to Curt’s Gun Shop to

be destroyed and they got \$150 for the useable parts. They purchased two Glock pistols.

Mike stated that he would like to ask Mr. Beamer to paint a sign to attach to the wall for the Main Township Police Department. Randy approved. Mr. Bodman suggested that the signs for the police and building be placed on the end of the building facing the road.

Pam made a motion to accept the police report; Randy seconded the motion; all were in favor.

With no further business to discuss, Pam made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm; Randy seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Schell
Secretary