Main Township Supervisors Meeting April 1, 2024, 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 Pamela Slusser, Supervisor Joshua Shuman, Supervisor Lisa Schell, Secretary Phil Savidge, Police Officer Adam Eckley, Zoning Officer

Public Attendees: 15

Minutes of Meeting

Randy stated the March meeting minutes were posted to the webpage for review. Pam made a motion to approve the March minutes; Josh seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Treasurer's Report

Pam read the March treasurer's report; Josh made a motion to approve the report; Pam seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Public Comment

Bob Baylor stated that when his wife went to pay their current taxes, the tax collector's husband collected the payment and wondered if that was acceptable? Pam stated that after Bob had called her about it, she did call the county tax office and they told her that happens often in other municipalities as well, and as long as you get a receipt of payment and save a copy there are no issues. Also, if you pay by check that is a proof of payment as well.

Old Business

New Building

Randy stated that they received a copy of the new plans and have approved them. Lisa, Pam, and Adam are just working on the terminology on the bid notice so it can be advertised and hopefully they get a good response. The bids will be placed in the paper and on-line.

Randy stated the township will consider separate bids for the following scopes of work or may be all in one:

- Excavation

- Concrete/Masonry
- Building Construction

Randy also said the electrical and overhead doors will be separate costs as well.

Pam also stated that Ted Oman is close to getting the final approvals from County Planning, so things are moving along there as well.

Lisa stated that the American Rescue Act Funds need to be finalized and obligated by purchase order or contract by December 31, 2024, and must be spent by December 31, 2026, or returned.

Fire Tax

Randy stated that they have worked with Journey Bank and since with the new account changes, the fire tax fund will earn 5.025% interest in the checking account now, so there is no need to lock into CDs at this time.

Lisa stated that the approximate cost to insure the new fire truck would be @ \$1,800 - \$2,000 if it was insured today, so it will change slightly when it is actually placed on the policy.

New Business

Journey Bank Changes

Pam stated that since First Columbia Bank has changed to Journey Bank, she has meet with them and discussed our accounts and the township will be consolidating from seven checking accounts to four checking accounts, and three of them will be interest bearing and the special account will remain non-interest bearing since grants received from state and federal funds cannot earn interest or it must be paid back. There will more security on these accounts as well. This will also make the auditing by the CPA easier as well since they recommended consolidating.

Pam made a motion to sign the paperwork with Journey Bank to change the accounts; Josh seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Road Foreman Resignation

Randy stated that the supervisors received a letter of resignation from Clif Orzolek stepping down as road foreman. Pam made a motion to accept the resignation; Josh seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Pam then made a motion to appoint Joshua Shuman as the new road foreman; Randy seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Sewage Officer Report

Lisa stated that a report was received and Robert Fugate, Brior Environmental LLC, attended a two-day mandatory DEP SEO Training Course in February and maintained the township's Act 149 files.

Zoning/Construction Report

Adam stated he issued two permits in February: Eric Schlauch, 161 West Hillcrest – Addition Don Fisher, 36 Church Road - Addition

Pam made a motion to approve the sewage officer and zoning reports; Josh seconded it; all were in favor.

Police Report

Phil provided the March report:

177 hours worked

1.097 miles

48 incidents

13 traffic citations

0 non-traffic citations

0 criminal arrests

Officers assisted with traffic control for the Easter Egg Hunt on the township grounds.

The Neighborhood Watch held its third meeting with a good turnout. The next meeting will be on May 20th at 6:00pm.

Pam made a motion to approve the Police Report; Josh seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Other

Bob Baylor asked if the police found out who dumped the garbage on 339 and Phil stated they have no leads.

With no further business to discuss, Pam made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm; Josh seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Schell Secretary