

Main Township Supervisors Meeting

June 3, 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:

Pamela Slusser, Supervisor
Joshua Shuman, Supervisor
Lisa Schell, Secretary

Adam Eckley, Zoning Officer
Philip Savidge, Police Chief

Public Attendees: 10

Minutes of Meeting

Pam stated the May 6th regular meeting and May 20th bid award meeting minutes were posted to the webpage for review. Pam understands that the webpage has been having some issues again and Lisa stated the administrator is aware and working on it. Pam also stated that the township will be going to a new webpage provider due to the issues.

Pam made a motion to approve the April minutes; Josh seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Treasurer's Report

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

Public Comment

Mr. Bodman stated he is dismayed by the lack of mowing in the township so far and asked what the problem is. Josh Shuman stated that the new guy is working out well and they have been doing some cold patch work and then changing to mowing soon. He will train him on the equipment since he is very capable. He also stated that they are looking at purchasing a new mover that will be able to mow the berm up to 6ft. without using the boom mower, which will speed up the process. Josh noted the last boom repair cost almost as much as the new mower they are looking at, which is very similar to what the state uses. The mower is available through Costars, so no bidding is needed.

John Bauer from the Zoning Hearing Board stated that they had a special exemption board meeting and in the past when Larry Frace was the zoning officer, he had requested that the board members be paid \$50 for attending the meeting and wondered if that was still in place and felt it was reasonable for their time. Lisa stated she remembered that and would have to look into it.

John Lenhart asked what took place at the May 20th meeting. Pam stated they awarded the bid for the new building. Pam stated Lisa provided a spreadsheet (which is also posted on-line) with all the quotes/options received.

Martin's Construction was awarded the bid for the building construction and Keystone Concrete was awarded the pre-

cast walls. The total cost for the new building was \$143,234.00 and work will take place in mid-August, early September.

Charlie Williams asked why the electrical was not awarded. Josh and Pam stated since only one bid was received, it was decided to re-open the electrical work once the building was constructed, since they may need less work than what was proposed.

Pam stated that the county finally approved the plans, and the next step is to get the Tri-County Cog permit.

Old Business

Fire Tax

Matt Frey stated there were no new updates on the truck.

Road Project

Josh stated that they received on soft quote on the work needed done on Mountain Road and needs to contact our PennDOT contact to see what he suggests.

Michelle Loff stated that the water is bypassing the pipe that was installed last summer up past Bond's and needs some work. Josh stated he will take a look at it.

New Business

There was no new business, other than a new mower, which was already discussed.

Sewage Officer Report

Lisa stated no report was received for the month.

Zoning/Construction Report

Adam stated there were no permits issued. He again stated like last month that letters will be going out to landowners with unregistered junk vehicles, rubbish/waste and in need of mowing.

Adman stated that Tri-County issued permits to Pamela Slusser and Keyser Construction in March and April.

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

Police Report

Chief Savidge provided the April and May reports:

April

173 hours

48 incidents

928 miles

5 Traffic citations

1 non-traffic
Car #1 had printer moved and computer updated.

May

195 hours
1,359 miles
41 incidents
11 Traffic citations
0 non-traffic
Car #2 was inspected
Officer Reedy is a new officer hired
Officer Reedy and Chief Savidge attended PSP Hazleton Nighthawk DUI Training on May 17 & 18th.

No Neighborhood watch was held in April or May and the next meeting is scheduled for June 17th at 6:00pm.

Josh made a motion to approve the April and May police reports; Pam seconded the motion.

Other

Mr. Bodman stated that if there are labor issues with getting work that is needed done, the township should consider sub-contracting some of the work out, such as mowing. Josh stated that they will start mowing soon.

With no further business to discuss, Josh made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 pm; Pam seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Schell
Secretary