

**Susquehanna Township Board of Supervisor
Regular Meeting
October 2, 2018**

Dennis Brown called the regular meeting of the Susquehanna Township Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00PM.

In attendance were Supervisors Mike Steinbacher, Jim Surfield, Dennis Brown, and Secretary/Treasurer Sherry Kurtz. The Solicitor, Denise Deiter, was also present. There were several residents from the community present.

Minutes from the September 4, 2018 meeting were approved.

**Surfield– Motion
Steinbacher – Seconded
Approved 3-0**

The Treasurer’s Report was read by Sherry Kurtz. It was reviewed and the report was approved.

The Financial Review: September 2018

Receipts:		\$ 15,002.32
Expenditures:	General Fund	\$ 7,470.42
	Payroll	\$ 1,953.68
	Total Bills	\$ 9,424.10
	General Fund Bal. 09/30/2018	\$265,123.86

**Surfield – Motion
Steinbacher – Seconded
Approved – 3-0**

Chairman’s report - Dennis Brown

Denny Brown explained the 2017 audit is complete and back to the township. There are several findings that will be gone over to discuss ways to not repeat them.

Insurance quotes for a crime policy, which is used for employee theft, was looked over. We now pay \$297.00 for \$25,000.00 and we would like to increase to \$100,000.00 for \$396.00 annually. They agree.

**Brown – Motion
Surfield – Seconded
Approved – 3-0**

Brown wanted to let the public know that a budget workshop in Oct. would be scheduled to work on the budget to have the 2019 Proposed Budget completed for approval at the Nov meeting.

He stated that the Fire Relief was received in the amount of \$4,834.63 and is being distributed to the Fire Department this evening.

And finally the letter was received from PennDOT regarding the liquid Fuels monies that we will receive in March of 2019 in the amount of \$35,520.10 and the Turnback in the amount of \$21,400.00.

Road Master - Mike Steinbacher

Mike got a price on the paving from N&S Paving for the section on Lorson Drive. They want \$2700.00. Mike and Jim believe that is high. Jim suggested to check with M&M. They are working in the Township right now and maybe we could negotiate a better price. Mike will contact them. We can not wait until the next meeting to approve so they made a motion to approve but not to exceed \$2,000.00.

Surfield – Motion

Steinbacher – Seconded

Approve – 3-0

Mike asked about the trees that PennLine was suppose to take down. They have not been back in touch with anyone.

Park Report – Mike Steinbacher

Mike said they were going to get the fence down and the truck out of there

He announced he was approached by the South Williamsport Grid Iron Club Bon Fire will be held October 25th. They will supply us with the certificate of insurance, that they will accept responsibility, and possibly a donation for clean up.

A resident asked about pumping the field water off. She was complaining about the bugs and mosquitos.

Old business

We received a contract from PP&L to change the street lights to LEDs. Jim believes there should be a reduction of our bill. However, there is nothing in the contract that the bill will be reduced. Dennis is looking for a motion to approve the contract from PP&L to convert the street lights to LEDs.

Surfield – Motion

Steinbacher – Seconded

Approved – 3-0

Dennis asked Jim for an update on the playground grant. Jim explained that he submitted a grant for \$5,000.00. He received input from residents that had asked about new equipment before and he used that help to apply for the types of equipment they were requesting. He is looking for a list of approved recipients in early November.

New Business

Dennis presented a list of reassessment hearings in October that was received by the Township.

However, Graff was explaining that it is more like spot reassessment it is not a county wide assessment. There was an article in the newspaper regarding these hearings.

Membership meeting at Central Keystone COG if anyone wants to go is this month.

Septic update was reported by Sherry. There are 53 non-compliant residents as of today. No reminders are being sent out and we are just sending the 2nd notice Nov 1st.

Fire Company Report – August - Mike Steinbacher

There were 14 alarms: 3 mutual aid fires, 1 vehicle accident, 3 medicals, 2 flooding, 1 car fire, 1 tree on wires, 1 lift assist, 1 assist State Police, 1 assist Williamsport Police, 7 went for Hoseline Training.

Fire Prevention Week is October 7 – 13, 2018

Mummers Parade is October 20, 2018

Bonfire for South Williamsport Grid Iron 10/25/18

A scam letter to renew our radio license came in the mail, we destroyed the letter after they researched it.

Misc.

A resident asked about the trailer/camper storage in the Township and Denise explained that the ordinance does not prohibit it. She will be working on a revision but all the people that already store will be grandfathered. An amendment to the ordinance will only be from here on not past.

Alan Feist asked about going to court or not. Denise will wait for Graffus to report to give an answer. Graffus said that each time he goes to the Feist property it does get better. The junk cars are reducing each time. And Graffus does believe it is improving.

Alan Feist responded that he is the only one the Township is pursuing. And named names of other residents that are in violations in one way or the other and nothing has been done. He wanted to voice his opinion.

The resident, regarding the Reyes property that has extended tree limbs at River Rd and Village Dr., wanted to say that they still can not see. Mr. Reyes has trimmed the trees but apparently she is still having difficulty. Sherry will send them a letter about possibly cutting them back some more.

Denise asked if it is in the right of way and Graffus believes it is. Denise said the Township can remove them. The Reyes' are complying as much as they can. Another resident also said that you have to pull your car out pretty far. Greg Dibble, PennDOT, look at a line of sight issue for us.

A resident asked about the Olga Levi property and if the septic was pumped and if it passed, and it did. He also said there is someone there mowing the grass. And mentioned that the back door is opened at the property. Graffus said he would go up and check it.

Denise asked Dennis if they are going to discuss the Feist issue and they will. Denise will call Alan Feist after the session.

Real Estate Transfers

There were no transfers received for this period.

Public Input**Pay Bills**

Brown asked for a motion to pay the bills.

Surfield – Motion**Steinbacher - Seconded****Approved 3-0****Executive Session:**

Dennis Brown announced an executive session for legal advice. There will be no action taken and the regular meeting will not reconvene.

Adjourn

Brown asked for a motion to adjourn.

Surfield– Motion**Steinbacher – Seconded****Approved 3-0**

Brown adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted

Sherry Kurtz