

SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

September 5, 2017

The regular meeting of the Susquehanna Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Dennis Brown on September 5, 2017 at 7:00PM at the Township Office Building on East Village Drive. In attendance were Supervisor Dennis Brown, Supervisor Jim Surfield, Supervisor Michael Steinbacher, Secretary Sherry Kurtz, and Solicitor Denise Deiter. There were a few residents attending from the community.

MEETING MINUTES: The minutes from the Regular Meeting August 10, 2017 were reviewed and were approved with several corrections. Motion: Mike Steinbacher; Seconded by Dennis Brown; Motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT: Sherry Kurtz read the Treasurers report for the period of August 1, 2017 to August 31, 2017. Dennis explained that we will pay bills at the end of the meeting from now on. Mike Steinbacher made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report as submitted; Seconded by Dennis Brown; Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REVIEW:

August 2017

Receipts:		\$11,352.96
Expenditures:	General Fund	\$74,405.55
	Payroll	\$1,816.73
	Total Bills	\$76,222.28

Mike Steinbacher made a motion to accept financial report as presented; Seconded by Dennis Brown; Motion carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

ROADMASTER'S REPORT:

Mike updates the progress on Riverview Drive. Engineering firm Larson Design Group have redesigned and a time schedule. We still have to get the paper work on to be eligible for the grant money. Jim really needs fill out the paperwork. A heated argument ensued. Bottom line is this project should all be done by the end of October.

Hillside Drive has a few areas that need repaired. Graffus will get with Mike. Don Green they did shoot elevation and it was high and also at Hannan's property. We have Nesbit Terrace but that will depend on funds after the completion of Riverview Drive. Mike said he wants to talk to the state to see what they can do to help us. The property owner is running water right down to Doug Betz property. Doug also said the township has water running to his property too its developed property and was there before the Township put in the pipe. Engle property on Rt.654 is having an issue with his driveway from the run off. Mike is going to be looking into what can be done.

Anti-skid and rock salt had been ordered in the spring through Co-Stars contract. The bins are full right now.

PARK CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

No issues at the park except for, there is a light out. That will be taken care of.

OLD BUSINESS:

Graffus updated 67 Second Ave; water is always going into the basement. Graffus put up ventilation panels up. The tax sale is up for upset tax sale all the liability would turn over in the sale. Denise will research if there is any liability on the property. The Township is thinking about buying that property.

Feist update did not get to the property for this meeting. Graffus made up a progress sheet that should be helpful with the cleanup of this property. Dennis believed the sheet will give them a good clear idea of what is being but that Alan Feist and Graffus should discuss it first and bring it back to the supervisors next month.

Denise asked about Mutchler. She has not returned the permit yet. Next they got Olga Clark served and Frederick Clark is in jail. September 14th Graffus needs to go to court with Denise.

We are looking into updating the zoning ordinance and Denise had a couple company to look into.

STD complied and she will cancel the hearing.

Junk yard ordinance has been advertised. It cannot be passed until October for the review days.

Larson will be advertising the special meeting on the Sept 26th.

Denise wanted the minutes to reflect she had given Graffus back the invoices, so we are not waiting on her for anything.

The Ferguson dog complaint letter is going out this week.

Auto sales and conditional use was draw up and she would like all to look at it and Tom Packard needs to look it over and talk it over at the next meeting.

Mike had talked to Mr. Tebbs and the pipe needs moved.

And finally she has a gas and oil ordinance in the works.

Dennis asked the secretary about the Liquid Fuels audit with the Auditor General's office, it all was good, no findings. And we just received notice that the liquid fuels will now be audited now by PennDot Sept 13th.

Dennis needs an amount limit listed on the resolution. Jim thought \$200.00 Mike thought \$500.00. Mike made a motion to set the debit card limit at \$500.00 Dennis seconded. Motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

PennDot contacted us about a resolution that they can do upgrades on the railroad crossings at Pfirman Rd, Village Rd, and River Rd. Dennis makes a motion to pass Resolution 2017- 03 to authorize PennDot to request the PUC to allow these upgrades. Mike Seconded. Motion carries.

Pat Dixon cabin was an issue, that he built a cabin on his property without permit. Graffus gave all the information to Tom Packard. Tom will contact him.

At the request of our treasurer we will pay our employees once a month.

A conversation regarding paying online instead of checks, Dennis will talk to Klein and Rizzo.

BJ from HA Thompson will be here September 19th at 1 for the insurance review. Dennis will be here.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT:

Jim Pfleegor reported that there were 12 calls for the month.

He wanted to talk to the supervisors about a plan for the river lots in case the storm is bad that they are forecasting hitting next week. Jim will keep them posted on the progress of the storm.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Mike made a motion to hire Larson Design to re-engineer Riverview Drive for the sum of \$ 12,700.00. Dennis seconded, asked for discussion, Jim wants it known that he already made his argument. Motion carries.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFER:

Previous Owner

New Owner

PUBLIC INPUT:

Regarding the tree down on Lorson Drive between Hillside and Johnson, Graffus wants to turn to the Property Maintenance Code due to the fact the property owner has said that someone cut trees on his property and he is in no hurry to clean it up. Everyone agrees that it is making Mr. Huffs property look bad. Dennis was ok with Graffus pursuing the PMC to help get this resolved.

Jim brought up the off road diesel that was purchased. He said there was fuel in the tank that they were using up and they have to hand pump it and it is a waste of time. There is less than a ¼ tank. Jim wanted to empty that tank, move the tank, and anchor the air compressor to the ground there. Mike will get Graffus an electric pump to empty that tank, and put the air compressor down.

Jim said the 2nd round of septic letters will be going out soon. Denise had some suggestions from issues that have come up at the hearings. All letters should be sent out certified, return receipt, and certificate of mailing. We should also have name and address and date on the letter with 2nd notice written. It will be.

A resident noticed the tension with the board. He is asking that the board get along. Fighting should be after the meeting, the board should set an example.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mike made a motion to adjourn, Dennis seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Cheryl L Kurtz
Susquehanna Township Secretary