

The regular meeting of the Wheatfield Township Supervisors was held Monday, August 1, 2016 in the Township Building. Barry Schrope called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Barry Schrope, Jim Fuller, Jeff Smith, Johanna Rehkamp, Lester Nace, Vicki Jenkins, Rick Schaar, Dexter Potter, Holly Potter, Kurt Hepschmidt, David Mills, Dave Jenkins and Kraig Nace.

Barry Schrope led the pledge to the American flag followed by a brief moment of silence.

The minutes of the July 5, 2016 meeting were presented to the supervisors and posted for attendees in the Township Building prior to the August 1, 2016 regular meeting for public viewing. Jim Fuller made the motion to approve the minutes as presented by the secretary, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor.

Kurt Hepschmidt stated at June's meeting the supervisors discussed repointing the Montebello Road Bridge and was wondering if that had been done. The supervisors stated yes it has been done.

David Mills thanked the supervisors for continuing to support recreation in the township.

Jeff Smith presented the Road Master report for the month of July. Jeff stated the road crew has replaced an 18" pipe on Roseglen Road, mowed and trimmed at the park twice, completed the 2nd round of mowing, had the blue dump truck inspected, trimmed the trail at the park, moved the I-beams from the Sulphur Springs bridge to the park, graded on Roseglen Road and Montebello Road, power washed the garage and bathrooms at the park, cut up a downed tree on Mountain Road, graded on Linton Hill, opened up culvert pipes on Dark Hollow Road, hauled 2 loads of mulch to the park for the playground, changed the oil in the F550 and started black topping the roads where pipes were replaced.

There were no representatives from the Duncannon Fire Co. at tonight's meeting. Barry Schrope reminded the other supervisors of the next Fire Committee meeting on August 30th at 7:00 p.m. Jim Fuller asked if the Capital Reserve account has been set up yet. Barry advised it has not, but he has been into the bank to find out what paper work needs to be done. Barry advised it is still being worked on. Jim asked if there donation has been released yet. Vicki Jenkins stated the donation has not been released yet. Vicki stated the \$20,000 donation will be released this week.

The supervisors advised they have received the bid package and advertisement for the salt shed. Jeff Smith stated Dave Jenkins has brought to his attention that Middle Paxton Township just put up a salt shed and they put a special additive in their concrete that is supposed to help protect it from the salt. The current bid package does not include the additive. The supervisors stated they would like to check into the additive. Jim Fuller made a motion to advertise the bid package with the addition of the special additive, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor. Barry stated he will contact Tom Metz (engineer) tomorrow.

Burget & Associates have asked the supervisors to reapprove the Christopher & Amber Willhide plan so that it can be recorded. Plans must be recorded within 90 days at the County and the plan was not. Jim Fuller made a motion to reapprove the Christopher & Amber Willhide plan, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

The supervisors have forwarded the revised SALDO book to the solicitor for her review and comments. Johanna Rehkamp stated she has reviewed the sections in question from the last meeting and just making reference to the Municipal Planning Code is fine. Johanna stated she did notice is Section 303 states latest revision and Section 502 states last revision. Johanna stated the wording should be uniform. Johanna stated the utility section she thought the wording was going to be changed from required to recommend the utilities be placed underground. Jim Fuller stated the question was can they make the homeowner place the utilities from the last pole on the right of way to the house underground. Johanna stated she did not look at that, but her understanding is if there are a certain number of lots (3) off the right of way you can make them go underground. Johanna states she feels it would be a violation to require utilities be placed underground. Johanna advised she did not look into requiring underground utilities from the last pole on the right of way to the house and would have to check into that and get back to Vicki prior to the Planning Commission meeting next week. Lester Nace asked if the inspection office requires utilities be placed underground. Barry stated he would contact BIU and ask if they require underground utilities.

Barry Schrope stated at last month's meeting the supervisors approved the new subdivision and land development fee schedule but a resolution would need to be passed. Barry Schrope made a motion to pass Resolution #03-2016 amending the fees for subdivision and land development plans, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor.

Kraig Nace of the Duncannon EMS presented the supervisors with the call statistics report (copy on file). Kraig stated July 2016 was their busiest ever. Kraig also thanked the township for their ongoing support.

There was discussion at last month's meeting regarding putting the Community Aid bin in the township's name. To qualify the Township must be 501C4 status. Barry Schrope asked if the township is 501C4 status. Kraig Nace stated he doesn't believe municipalities can be 501C4 status. Vicki Jenkins stated her research has stated to qualify for 501C4 status it must be a social welfare organization. The supervisors tabled the issue till they get more information.

Barry Schrope stated the solicitor has drawn up an agreement between the Township and Maynard & Sandra George regarding the septic system. Maynard & Sandra George are getting a new modular home and the septic system failed years ago and they had to put a holding tank in and have it pumped. Barry stated Lester Nace, Zoning Officer, thought it would be better if the George's would upgrade to an onsite septic system. Barry stated the SEO

and a soil scientist were out and the ground would not pass for a new system. It was suggested they bring in topsoil and let it sit for four years. George's have brought in the topsoil and have it seeded and have placed straw on it as required. Barry stated the zoning permit has been issued to put in the new modular with the signing of the agreement (copy on file) to upgrade the septic system in 4 years. The agreement will be filed at the Recorder of Deeds office and this way if the property is sold it will show up on the title search so the new owner would be aware that the septic system needs to be upgraded. Johanna Rehkamp will amend the agreement to reflect the 4 year time clock starts today and get it to Vicki tomorrow. Johanna stated the document will need to be notarized and then recorded. Lester will take care of the George's signing the agreement and take it to the Recorder of Deeds.

Barry Schrope stated some residents have inquired about Dougan's Cycle Shop whether he was working within his variance agreement. Barry stated Lester Nace had sent Mr. Dougan a letter asking what his current operations were. Barry stated he has spoken with Mr. Dougan on the phone and that he has written a letter to the township in response to Lester's letter stating the only difference in his business now is that he no longer sells vehicles or performs state inspections. Barry advised Mr. Dougan is within his rights of his variance approval.

Jeff Smith advised the roads he would like to get line painted this year are Loshes Run Road, Dugans Mill Road and the portion of Dark Hollow Road that was blacktopped. Jeff advised the current price is \$.05/foot. Jeff stated Alpha Space will contact us with their schedule.

Lester Nace advised Burget & Associates has prepared a drawing of the Hoak property for the zoning variance approval requirement. Lester advised he has prepared the zoning permit application for Mr. Hoak as a result of the zoning variance.

Lester Nace stated Mr. Palomba has started to build his driveway as required per the letter he sent last fall.

Lester Nace stated correspondence has been received from Norfolk Southern on July 29, 2016 regarding a communication tower being built on the railroad right of way adjacent to Bretz Lane starting August 1, 2016. Lester advised the residents he has spoken to in that area have not been notified by Norfolk Southern. Lester stated the tower is licensed through the Federal Communications Commission, so local permitting is not required for these federal reviews for railroad structures. Lester asked the supervisors if the township should be proactive and send the residents in that area a letter and a copy of the letter from Norfolk Southern because of the short notice. The supervisors stated yes they would like for Lester to draft a letter for the residents in that area.

Vicki Jenkins stated the salt shed bid advertisement was mistakenly placed in the paper a week early by the engineer who put the bid package together.

Jim Fuller stated correspondence has been received from the Perry County Chamber of Commerce and Perry County Economic Development Authority inviting the Township to the Grand Opening Celebration of the County's Business and Tourism Center on August 12, 2016 at 10 a.m.

Jim Fuller advised recycling is this coming Saturday and any and all help is greatly appreciated.

Kurt Hepschmidt stated there is a hazardous materials training exercise on September 17 at the Duncannon EMS.

Rick Schaar asked what figure the Duncannon Fire Company is asking for. Barry Schrope stated they are asking for around \$99,000.

Jim Fuller made a motion to approve the checks from the General Fund for the month of July. They were as follows:

3305 – 3340, 006-2016, 06-2016, 0002-2016, 072116 and 072216

Jeff Smith second the motion to approve the checks, with all in favor.

There being no further business Jeff Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Vicki L. Jenkins
Twp. Secretary