

The regular meeting of the Wheatfield Township Supervisors was held Monday, May 1, 2017 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, Vicki Jenkins, Lester Nace, Dexter Potter, Paul Krieger, Sue Flickinger, Dave Jenkins, David Mills, Kurt Hepschmidt and Chris Courogen.

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

The minutes of the April 3, 2017 meeting were presented to the supervisors and posted for attendees in the Township Building prior to the May 1, 2017 regular meeting for public viewing. Jeff Smith made a motion to approve the minutes as presented by the secretary, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Sue Flickinger stated she would just like to say the guys are doing a great job on the roads and spring cleanup went great from what she saw.

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

Jeff Smith presented the Road Master report for last month. Jeff stated the road crew has filled in the shoulders with shot rock on Pine Hill Road, cleaned up for the new salt shed, graded the dirt for the salt shed, graded along Narrows Road, cleaned up down limbs and trees on Loshes Run Road, cleaned up yards from the snow plows, swept off the bridges, graded along Glutzs Hole Road and Roseglen Road, marked the pipes to be replaced on Cook Road and had spring cleanup. Jeff advised the contractor would be pouring the concrete for the walls in the salt shed tomorrow.

No representatives from the Duncannon Fire Co. were at tonight's meeting.

Bids received for the 2017 paving project were opened and read aloud. The results were as follows:

Wilson Paving - \$104,480.30

Pennsyl Supply, Inc. - \$113,924.00

New Enerprise Stone & Lime Co. - \$118,421.00

Jay Fulkroad & Sons, Inc. - \$120,602.91

Jeff Smith made a motion to award the paving bid to Wilson Paving, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor. Superpave to be applied to Montebello Road from Montebello Farm Road to A point and Montebello Road from Montebello Farm Road to Hunkey Hollow Road.

Bids received for the 2017 seal coat project were opened and read aloud. The results were as follows:

Martin Paving, Inc. - \$34,784.82

Barry Schrope made a motion to award the seal coat bid to Martin Paving, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor. Seal coat to be applied to Montebello Farm Road to Rt. 274 and Montebello Road from Montebello Farm Road to Paradise Road.

Barry Schrope advised the supervisors are working with Duncannon EMS for seal coating their parking lot as part of this year's donation. Martin Paving, Inc. submitted a quote for \$9,750.00. Kraig Nace was not present at tonight's meeting. The supervisors stated they would like to discuss the quote with Kraig and see if the EMS is still interested in seal coating the parking lot before accepting the quote.

Jeff Smith made a motion to release \$17,500 as budgeted as a donation to the Township Recreation Board, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope stated a letter has been received from Josh Parrish of The Nature Conservancy (letter on file) stating they will be submitting a grant proposal for financial assistance to Pennsylvania DCNR for the acquisition of a 1,592 acre working forest conservation easement partially located within Wheatfield Township and has asked for a letter of support from the township. The property is currently the watershed of the Duncannon Borough water system. Chris Courogen, Borough Manager of Duncannon, presented the supervisors with a map of the project area and stated the Nature Conservancy has approached them about establishing a conservation easement in the watershed area that would prevent future development there and open it up for some passive recreation use. Lester Nace asked Mr. Courogen how many acres are in Wheatfield Township and will it affect Wheatfield Township's zoning. Mr. Courogen stated he did not have the acreage information broke down for Wheatfield Township and that it would not change our zoning any it would mean if the Borough sold the land it would be in this easement and would not be able to be developed and that it would be a deed restriction not a zoning restriction. Lester stated the Borough cannot sell Wheatfield Townships land. Mr. Courogen stated the land is owned by Duncannon Borough, some of the land is just located in Wheatfield Township. Lester asked what the purpose of support from Wheatfield Township is for. Mr. Courogen stated it would just show that Wheatfield Township does not have a problem with the easement being put in place. Vicki Jenkins asked why if Duncannon Borough owned the land why it would not show in our tax book as the owner. Mr. Courogen thought it was because the Borough is tax exempt. Mr. Courogen advised there are no residences on the tract of land. Barry Schrope made a motion to send a letter of support, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor. Johanna Rehkamp stated there is more information in the model draft letter of support than what would be needed. Johanna advised a simple letter of support stating Wheatfield Township supports their application for the grant.

Barry Schrope advised correspondence has been received from Act One & Associates stating on behalf of Wheatfield Township they have prepared a Small Community Development Grant application to the PA DCNR, Bureau of Recreation and Conservation for improvements to facilities at Wagner Park.

Barry Schrope reminded everyone in attendance about the County E-Cycling Event being held on May 20, 2017 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Newport Fairgrounds.

Barry Schrope stated the township spring cleanup went well. Barry stated there were approximately 550 loads of junk collected and approximately 500 residents used the spring cleanup this year. The township collected \$1610.80 for the tv's & computers collected and received \$3053.00 in scrap metal.

Jim Fuller reminded everyone in attendance that recycling is this Saturday.

Barry Schrope made a motion to conditionally approve the quote for the seal coat for the Duncannon EMS parking lot for \$9,750.00 as long as the EMS is pleased with the quote and would still like to move forward with it. Jim Fuller questioned the price difference in the price per sq. foot for the seal coat compared to what the township is paying. Barry Schrope stated there is a price difference for the smaller stones and there is more involved in doing the parking lot compared to just going straight on a road. Kraig Nace of the Duncannon EMS came into the meeting. The supervisors showed Kraig the quote and asked if they were okay with the quote and if they are still interested in doing the job. Barry asked Kraig to share the quote with the others at the EMS and get back to the supervisors if everything is still a go. Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope asked Kraig Nace about the combined cleanup with Duncannon Borough and Penn Township asking if it was just electronics recycling. Kraig advised the Boroughs cleanup was for spring cleanup and electronics, Penn Township was just electronic recycling. Kraig advised last year the container went back half empty and that is why they contacted Penn Township to share the cost of the electronics recycling. Kraig advised the electronics container was full by 9 a.m. that morning.

Kraig Nace stated the financial report is about 75% complete and that they have mailed out their yearly EMS subscriptions.

Jeff Smith made a motion to approve the checks from the General Fund for the month of April. They were as follows:

3657 - 3693, 0001-2017, 03-2017, 040617A, 040617B, 003-2017, 041917A and 041917B

Barry Schrope second the motion to approve the checks, with all in favor.

There being no further business Jim Fuller made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Vicki L. Jenkins
Twp. Secretary