

The regular meeting of the Wheatfield Township Supervisors was held Monday, August 6, 2018 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, Dave Jenkins, Luke Roman (Perry Co. Times), Donald Strickler, David Mills, Kurt Hepschmidt, Ed Womer, Dexter Potter and Byron Worner.

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

The minutes of the July 2, 2018 meeting were presented to the supervisors and posted for attendees in the Township Building prior to the August 6, 2018 regular meeting for public viewing. Jeff Smith made a motion to approve the minutes as presented by the secretary, Jim Fuller second the motion, Barry Schrope abstained (not at July's meeting).

Donald Strickler asked what the status of the complaints he has filed with the township. Barry Schrope advised the issue is an agenda item and can be discussed then.

David Mills thanked the township for continuing to support recreation in the community and thanked the township employees for spreading the playground mulch and taking care of the tree that fell on the bridge.

Ed Womer stated he has concerns with the state wanting to put a barrier up on Rt. 322 prohibiting left hand turns. Ed stated this will be a big inconvenience for those turning into Duncannon. Ed asked if the supervisors could write a letter to the State and suggest this be further looked into. Barry Schrope stated the township will send an email to Casey Baxendale with Tri County and ask if this is the final decision.

Jeff Smith presented the Road Master report for the month of July. Jeff stated the road crew has hauled 6 loads of 2A for the pipe replacement on Basin Hill Road, finished the soffit and fascia on the garage, Shank Door came and replaced the garage doors, rebuilt the mower on the tractor, replaced the clutch cable on the blue dump truck, graded on Roseglen Road and Sulphur Springs Road, hauled 2 loads of playground mulch for the park and spread it, took care of a tree that fell on the walking bridge at the park, rebuilt 2 sets of bleachers at the park for the football field, got the pipe and inlet boxes for Basin Hill Road and Linton Hill Road and completed about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the second round of mowing. Jeff also advised Martin Paving contacted him and they will be doing the seal coat on Sulphur Springs Road this Thursday. Jim Fuller asked if Jeff could get some cold patch and fix the bump on Roseglen Road where the tile was replaced. Jeff stated he would like to mill it out and black top that one and the one on Linton Hill Road. Jeff stated cold patch is \$150/ton and he hates to do that if the township is just going to black top it. Jim stated he would like to see something done with it. Jeff stated he would like to do it the right way instead of just patching it. Jim stated he would like to fix it too just as long as it gets fixed soon. Barry Schrope asked if the township should get someone in to mill it out and fix it right. Jim asked Jeff to get some prices for next month's meeting.

Barry Schrope stated the Duncannon Fire Co. has requested \$30,000 be released from their Capital Reserve account to be used in assisting to pay off the Rescue 2 loan payment. Barry stated the money was released and sent directly to the lender Wells Fargo.

Barry Schrope asked the other supervisors what they want to do about the issue with the Duncannon Fire Co.'s financial reports. Vicki Jenkins advised Byron Worner dropped off 2 revised reports showing where the error was. Vicki stated she has not had a chance to completely review it but she does see where the error was made and is in agreement with the revision. Vicki also advised Byron stated the loan for the Rescue 2 has been paid off. Vicki stated she received an email from Ethan May stating they are open for an independent audit but will not pay for it. The supervisors stated they would like to review the financial reports as well.

Byron Worner of the Duncannon Fire Co. stated all of the pumps have been tested, got new hoses and nozzles for the new pumper that is coming and they have all been tested and inventoried and had a minor repair of a pump on the pumper. Byron stated the error on the financial report was the beginning balance of the Rescue 2 loan. Byron stated the financed amount was not posted correctly; the amount should have been lower as shown on the amortization schedule. Vicki Jenkins stated that is correct the amount was not carried over correctly onto their financial report. Jim Fuller stated he would like to see an independent audit done. Barry Schrope stated he doesn't know what that would cost. Jim stated he will speak to Justin and Mitch at New Bloomfield Fire Co. and get back to the supervisors next month with how much it costs. David Mills asked if Wheatfield Township will be footing the full bill for the audit or will

it be split between Wheatfield, Penn and Duncannon Borough. Jim stated he'll get the cost and report back next month.

Barry Schrope made a motion to release \$333 as budgeted and requested to the Duncannon Fire Police towards their cost of new portable radios, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope stated in review of the New Bloomfield Fire Co. financial statement from Robert Morris & Company it states New Bloomfield Fire Co. management has elected to omit substantially all the disclosures ordinarily included in financial statements (copy on file). Johanna Rehkamp advised the supervisors they could ask for the disclosures that are ordinarily included in the financial statements. Barry stated he has a problem with that statement and thinks Vicki should email them and ask them for the disclosures that are ordinarily included in financial statements. Jeff Smith stated he was in agreement for asking for the disclosures. Jim Fuller stated he would like to speak to Robert Morris about it and contact the fire company to hear both sides.

Barry Schrope stated Johanna Rehkamp got back to the township regarding changing speed limits prior to traffic studies being done. Johanna advised if the township is going to change the speed limits prior to doing a traffic study then it should be done by resolution. Johanna stated a resolution just states the public policy of the township and that the speed limits are not enforceable until a traffic study is done; and once the traffic study is done then an ordinance enacting the new speed limit can be adopted. Barry advised all the criteria for collector streets in the new SALDO book were done on a 35 mph & 25 mph study. A resolution establishing speed limits will be drafted for next month's meeting.

The supervisors advised Joe Burget Jr. has contacted the township regarding a conditional use for a 2nd driveway on a property he owns off of Windy Hill Road. Barry Schrope advised Lester Nace has looked into it and it is possible to have a 2nd driveway but a conditional use public hearing must be held. Jim Fuller made a motion to have the public hearing on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. prior to the regular supervisors meeting, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor. The supervisors set the deposit at \$500 to be filed with the conditional use application. Joe will be responsible for all costs associated with the conditional use application and public hearing. Vicki Jenkins will schedule a stenographer to attend the public hearing.

Jim Fuller stated someone brought a time clock to him at recycling and someone also expressed interest in the employees still using a time clock instead of using the honor system. Jim stated he thinks it's a good idea to use a time clock and it would be complete transparency. Jim Fuller made a motion to use a time clock, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

The supervisors stated they would like to have an appreciation picnic for all current volunteers and officials and one guest at Wagner Park. The date and time of the picnic will be September 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. Vicki Jenkins will send out the invite to everyone.

Barry Schrope advised a response (copy on file) from Joe Burget on Montebello Farm Road regarding the complaints filed by Donald Strickler. Mr. Strickler stated Mr. Burget had the property surveyed but then removed the stakes. Mr. Strickler stated he also believes the wood shed is not in compliance either with the setbacks. Lester Nace stated he was told by Mr. Burget that he would provide him a copy of the survey he had done to show that he is not on his neighbor's property and until Mr. Burget provides a plan stamped by the surveyor he won't be able to verify that. The supervisors stated they will wait to see if Mr. Burget gets back to them with a copy of the survey.

The supervisors asked Johanna Rehkamp if she sent the certified letter to the owner at 1581 New Bloomfield Road. Johanna advised she has not sent the letter. Jeff Smith advised the owner has mowed the front yard. Lester Nace advised the trailer in the front yard is still sitting there. Johanna advised she will send a certified letter to the owner.

Correspondence has been received about recycling polystyrene containers. The supervisors advised they do not think our recycling handler accepts polystyrene and at this point does not think there is a big enough demand in Wheatfield Township to get another container.

Correspondence has been received from Penn Twp. regarding the complaint received at last month's meeting about the disrepair of Linton Hill Road. Helen Klinepeter responded they are patching the road now and will be holding off on paving until the bridge on Creek Road is repaired. No date has been set yet for the bridge work to begin.

A complaint was received in June regarding the grass not being mowed at a house on Basin Hill Road. Jim Fuller advised he spoke to him at recycling and he promised to have it mowed. The grass still has not been mowed. Lester Nace stated he will send him a letter advising it needs to be taken care of.

The supervisors advised all revenue and expenses have been received from the annual spring cleanup. The township brought in \$4,737.00 in scrap metal, tv's, computers, etc. and expenses for the container for electronics, dumpster containers, etc. was \$7,582.11. The total cost to the township is \$2,845.11.

Correspondence from Wesley Smith at the Perry County EMA office has been received regarding a Local Coordinators Quarterly Training session for September 27, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. The training will be held at the Perry County Courthouse.

Lester Nace, Zoning Officer, advised a zoning and building permit has been issued for the Lamb property on McNaughton Drive, a zoning and building permit has been issued for a residence on Hunkey Hollow Road who did not think they needed a permit and the modular home that is being delivered to Roseglen Road should be coming the end of this week or beginning of next week. Lester advised they are currently preparing the site for the home.

Jim Fuller thanked all those who come out and help with recycling.

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

4215 – 4247, 06-2018, 070318A, 070318B, 006-2018, 0002-2018, 071818A and 071818B

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

There being no further business Barry Schrope made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicki L. Jenkins
Twp. Secretary