

A public hearing was held on Monday, October 1, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Township Building. Barry Schrope called the hearing to order at 6:30 p.m. Advance Publications advertised the hearing as required by law in the Perry County papers. The purpose of the hearing was to receive public comment on the proposed stand-alone driveway ordinance. Those present were Barry Schrope, Jim Fuller, Jeff Smith, Johanna Rehkamp, Vicki Jenkins, Lester Nace, Holly Potter, Dave Jenkins, Dexter Potter and David Mills.

Barry Schrope asked if there was any public comment in regards to the driveway ordinance. David Mills asked if the jail penalty was removed from the driveway ordinance. Barry advised it has been removed.

With no further comments/questions on the driveway ordinance Jeff Smith made a motion to adjourn the public hearing, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor. Public hearing adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Wheatfield Township Supervisors was held Monday, October 1, 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, Holly Potter, Dave Jenkins, Dexter Potter, David Mills, Donald Strickler, David Linville, Sue Flickinger, Helen Michener, Karen Anderson, Bryan Worner and Kraig Nace.

Jim Fuller led the pledge to the American flag followed by a brief moment of silence.

The minutes of the September 4, 2018 regular meeting were presented to the supervisors and posted for attendees in the Township Building prior to the October 1, 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, with all in favor.

David Mills thanked the township for continuing to support recreation and would also like to say in behalf of the township recreation board they would appreciate the same funding as years past.

Sue Flickinger thanked the supervisors for the nice picnic that was held for the volunteers.

Karen Anderson stated she is running for State House in the 86th District. Karen stated the 86th District includes all of Perry County and the western end of Cumberland County. Karen introduced herself and gave a brief bio on herself and stated community service is important to her and she would like a chance to be hired by the people for State Representative.

Kraig Nace of the Duncannon EMS presented the 2017 end of year report and also the SR6 Commission report stating they are finalizing their recommendations to present to the Senate and House. Kraig reviewed the EMS report with the supervisors and stated 2017 was their busiest year ever with 1,423 dispatched calls. Kraig stated the report does not include their vehicle inventory and stated they are trying to work hard at getting rid of everything. Kraig advised 2 ambulances are currently out of service with transmissions that are bad and have 2 vans that are for sale, they currently have 2 ambulances in service and his goal is to downsize their fleet from 6 vehicles to 2 newer ambulances. Kraig thanked the supervisors for their ongoing support.

Jeff Smith presented the road master report for last month. Jeff stated the road crew has finished the 3rd round of mowing, changed the oil and fuel filters in the F250 and F550, cleaned up numerous trees and downed limbs from the numerous rains this month, pushed over some dead ash trees on Hunkey Hollow Road and Glutz Hole Road, filled in the shoulders on Narrows Road and Cook Road, hauled 4 loads of anti-skid and finished painting the picnic tables and bleachers at Wagner Park.

Barry Schrope stated the supervisors met at the Duncannon Fire Co. station on September 19th and that it was an informative meeting. Bryan Worner of the Duncannon Fire Co. stated he hopes the supervisors left with as positive of an attitude as he and Byron did and that the supervisors came there with an open mind and a lot of things were talked about. Bryan asked about the report that was in the paper regarding shifting fire coverage and money to New Bloomfield and also stated whoever stated Penn Township is funding an audit of their finances is not true. Jim Fuller stated Jesse Boyer was here at the Township Building and said they were going to appropriate \$10,000 in their budget toward an independent audit. Bryan stated there is no audit being done and nothing has been passed onto them about it. Jim also advised Helen Klinepeter advised him of the same and that they may be looking to Wheatfield Township to join in on the expense. Jim stated there has been an ongoing discussion here between the supervisors about changing the fire lines somewhat. Bryan asked where the report came from that states New Bloomfield can beat them to the Dellville Bridge by 3 seconds. Jim stated Rich Fultz of Perry County EMA pulled up a website that showed the information. Bryan advised from the Duncannon Fire station it is 4.1 miles to the bridge and from New Bloomfield Fire station it is 5.7 miles and when the bridge was burning the 1st units on scene was Duncannon by minutes. Bryan stated the fire lines were previously discussed in 2011 and Jim advised when the fire lines were changed in 2011 in regards to Pine Hill Road that was not a unanimous decision. Jim stated he hopes a representative from Duncannon Fire Co. will be here at next month's meeting when New Bloomfield Fire Co. gives their presentation. Jim stated it's a unique situation with 2 fire companies serving Wheatfield Township and that New Bloomfield Fire Co. has been pressing the township for more money and that the supervisors here are working towards a 50/50 split instead of 75/25. Bryan stated Duncannon covers 81% of the township and does that mean New Bloomfield will come the whole way into Roseglen Road and stated he does not see how that's fair to split the donation 50/50 and Duncannon is the busiest fire company in the county. Bryan advised the Duncannon Fire Co. is not going to understand that decision and will not be happy with that at all unless there 50% share is what they should be getting now. Jim stated it can be discussed further at next month's meeting. Dave Mills asked if the fire company is going to be split 50/50 does that mean the EMS will also be split 50/50. Jim stated the supervisors have not discussed the EMS.

Dave stated he does not think it is fair then and Jim stated that he does not know all the facts. Dave stated as a tax payer he would like to know all of the facts and feels Jim wants to penalize Duncannon Fire Co. for personal reasons.

The Duncannon Fire Co. & New Bloomfield Fire Co. has submitted their financial reports. Barry Schrope made a motion to release \$20,000 as budgeted as a donation to the Duncannon Fire Co. and \$37,500 to their Capital Reserve account and \$15,500 as budgeted as a donation to the New Bloomfield Fire Co. and \$7,000 to their Capital Reserve account, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Bryan Worner asked if New Bloomfield was in favor of the 50/50 split. Barry Schrope stated he has not heard anything and Jeff Smith stated New Bloomfield has not responded back to the email Vicki has sent. Bryan stated as much as they work together he would find it hard to believe that they would accept that. Jim stated from his understanding the supervisors have the authority to ask the 911 center to make the changes and whether New Bloomfield would come back to the supervisors as to whether they would accept the change and then after the change is made on the lines the supervisors would adjust their figures accordingly to that and if New Bloomfield would refuse the money the supervisors would have to cross that bridge when they get there. Bryan stated there is a bill in the house that if a fire company is not supported by a municipality fire tax that the fire company can go about it 2 ways to collect money and 1 would be a subscription, and if you don't subscribe or pay a fire tax you would be billed per incident at a rate determined by the fire company. Kraig Nace stated in the packet he provided to the supervisors from the SR6 Commission they received from the Senate and House every active piece of legislation in the Senate and House regarding EMS and Fire and there is 1 pending fire company billing, HB183, authorizing volunteer fire companies to bill for actual reasonable costs, which does not include manpower, that will allow fire companies to recoup costs for responding to emergencies. Bryan stated if you read the whole thing that was issued it plainly states the legal obligation of the person contributing it's either a fire tax or subscription.

Barry Schrope stated the supervisors held a public hearing earlier this evening regarding the Driveway Ordinance and there was no comment. Barry Schrope made a motion to adopt Ordinance #64-10-18 as presented, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor.

A Speed Limit Resolution has been presented to the supervisors for approval. Barry Schrope stated the speed limit resolution works hand in hand with the Driveway Ordinance and the new SALDO Book. Barry Schrope made a motion to adopt Resolution #02-2018, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor.

Jim Fuller made a motion to release \$500 budgeted as a donation to Perry County Crime Stoppers, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

PSATS has sent correspondence to the Township regarding the election of Trustees for the Pension Trust, Health Insurance Cooperative Trust and Unemployment Compensation Group Trust. Barry Schrope made a motion to accept PSATS recommendation of Shirl Barnhart and Lester Houck as Trustees for the Pension, Health and Unemployment Compensation Trust for a period of 2 years, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope advised Joe Burget Jr. has not completed the survey for Joe Burget Sr. yet but is working on it. Don Strickler stated he has lived in the township for 30 years and 6 months ago he came here to file a complaint and ask for assistance and nothing is happening. Don stated in Mr. Burget's letter from July he was going to show the township where his property lines are and that didn't happen, then in August he was going to provide a copy of the survey and that hasn't happened and now he states he is going to have the property resurveyed. Jim Fuller stated they have given no time line to have the survey completed. Don asked what is the purpose of issuing permits if you cannot enforce the setbacks. Lester Nace stated the township issues a permit based on what the people have told us and if there is no evidence of property lines we take their word as to where there building is within the setbacks and the township does have a way of enforcing the setback requirement if we know where the property lines are and they are in violation, not on some neighbors call that they think he is. Don stated before a permit is issued the owner should be able to determine where the property line is. Lester stated that would require everyone who needs a permit to have a survey and he doesn't think the residents of Wheatfield Township would like that. Barry Schrope stated the township can't do anything until a survey is provided.

Barry Schrope made a motion to have Trick or Treat night in Wheatfield Township on Wednesday, October 31, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope advised the resident at 1581 New Bloomfield Road has cleaned up the front yard as required by the letter that was sent, moved the trailer to the back and mowed the grass. No further action will be taken at this time.

Barry Schrope advised the New Bloomfield Fire Co. will be doing a presentation at the November meeting and advised it will be in the fall newsletter as well so the residents know about it.

Correspondence has been received from Jason Finnerty, Perry County Planning Comm. and Rich Fultz Perry County EMA regarding the 2019 Hazard Mitigation Plan update for Perry County. Barry Schrope asked the other supervisors to think about any hazard in the township that would need mitigated and get back to him.

Jeff Smith made a motion to schedule and advertise a budget workshop for the preliminary 2019 budget on Monday, October 22, 2018 at 9:30 a.m., Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

Lester Nace advised the fire damaged houses on McNaughton Drive and Hunkey Hollow are well on their way to being rebuilt.

Jim Fuller reminded those in attendance of recycling this Saturday.

Jim Fuller stated he attended a Task Force meeting at Penn Township and they discussed the paving of 11&15 and advised it should be completed by August 2019; they discussed installing a park and ride at Drumgold's Corner, the

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roundabout at the intersection of Rt. 850 and Rt. 34 is to happen in 2020, the bridge on Creek Road in Penn Twp. has been bumped out to 2020 and the Juniata Bridge is going to be inspected in October. Jim also stated he believes PennDOT will be holding a public hearing regarding the barrier situation on Rt. 322.

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

4288 – 4326, 08-2018 and 008-2018

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 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicki L. Jenkins
Twp. Secretary