June 3, 2019

The regular meeting of the Wheatfield Township Supervisors was held Monday, June 3, 2019 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, Sue Flickinger, Joe Burget Jr., Paul Krieger, Kurt Hepschmidt, Holly Potter, Dave Jenkins, David Mills, Sherry Mills, John Weldon, Jeff Beinhower, Rick Boyer, Mitch Robb and Joshua Schrader.

Jeff Smith led the pledge to the American flag followed by an invocation given by Kurt Hepschmidt.

The minutes of the May 6, 2019 regular meeting were presented to the supervisors and posted for attendees in the Township Building prior to the June 3, 2019 regular meeting for public viewing. Jim Fuller made a motion to approve the minutes as presented by the secretary, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor. Barry Schrope stated as a follow up from last meeting on the supervisors not being bonded, supervisors are already bonded up to \$50,000 per W. J. Moore Inc., but the assistant treasurer has to be bonded for what amount the treasurer is bonded for.

Kurt Hepschmidt stated as EMC he did a windshield assessment for damage from the recent storms as requested by the County.

David Mills thanked the township for continuing to support recreation in the community. David stated the recreation board is hosting another Eagle Scout project and also the recreation board will need a couple trees and stumps cleared out down below the lower pavilion. David stated the trout derby was held last weekend at the park and there were approximately 119 kids that attended.

Joshua Schrader thanked the road crew for cleaning up Basin Hill Road after the storm damage and also the music festival that was held on Rt. 849, what's the plan going forward with their requests for having other festivals. Lester Nace advised he has not been contacted by anybody for any future festivals and if they do they would have to apply 90 days ahead of time for a license from the supervisors. Joshua stated it was a very disruptive event, Thursday was terrible but Friday and Saturday was not near as bad.

Jeff Smith presented the Road Master report for last month. Jeff stated the road crew replaced the alternator and hydraulic line on the backhoe, hauled 7 loads of shot rock to fill in shoulders on various roads, hauled 4 loads of 2A for Wagner Park parking lot, cut down some trees on Hunkey Hollow Road, replaced the globes in the parking lot at Wagner Park, mowed at the Covered Bridge, put the mower on the tractor, serviced the mower and tractor, have completed ³/₄ of the first round of mowing, put the shoulder machine on the blue dump truck, pulled logs out of the creek at the Montebello Bridge and cleaned up storm damage from strong winds.

Dave Keen from the Duncannon Fire Co. stated he has nothing new to report this month. Dave also stated they worked with the road crew on cleaning up from the storm damage.

Joe Burget Jr. of Burget and Associates presented the Eshleman/Reed final minor subdivision plan for approval. Joe stated no improvements are being made; it is just a lot addition and that the planning commission has recommended approval of the AOR's and plan. The 4 AOR's being requested are 1 – Preliminary Plan Review, 2 – Map Scale, 3 – Erosion Control Plan and 4 – Steep Slopes. Jim Fuller made a motion to approve the 4 AOR's as requested, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor. Jeff Smith made a motion to approve the plan as presented pending engineering fee's being paid, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope made a motion to release \$11,250 (1/2 of the 2019 donation) to the Duncannon EMS, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the funding request from the Duncannon Fire Co. and New Bloomfield Fire Co. and where would the amount of funding increases stop or hold steady. The supervisors asked both representatives of the fire companies to submit what they are looking for in future funding, possibly a five year plan. Both Mitch Robb and Dave Keen stated they would get something together for the supervisors.

Barry Schrope made a motion to hire Zachary Clugston as a part time summer helper, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope advised the township is still working on the TEMA membership for Kurt Hepschmidt. A couple phone calls have been made to PSATS but no return call has been received.

The supervisors tabled discussion on the required fire/EMS financial reports.

At last month's meeting there was discussion regarding a township directory map, the supervisors asked Vicki to contact the company and set up a meeting with the supervisors.

Lester Nace advised he has not heard back yet from the letter sent to the property owner of 546 Newport Road regarding not applying for a zoning permit for an ag building already built. The supervisors asked Vicki to send a copy of the letter sent to the solicitor.

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

The supervisors went into an executive meeting at 9:00 p.m. The supervisors returned at 9:15 p.m. Jim Fuller stated the executive meeting was a personnel issue regarding an incident on Pennells Church Road.

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

4589 – 4628, 041819, 004-2019, 04-2019, 050219A and 050219B Jim Fuller second the motion, 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 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicki L. Jenkins Twp. Secretary