

The regular meeting of the Wheatfield Township Supervisors was held Monday, August 2, 2021 in the Township Building. Barry Schrope called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Barry Schrope, Jim Fuller, Jeff Smith, Lester Nace, Vicki Jenkins, Dexter Potter, Holly Potter, Sue Flickinger, Paul Krieger, David Mills, Kurt Hepschmidt, Rhoda Barrick, Elijah Barrick, Luke Roman (Perry Co. Times), John Weldon and Byron Worner.

Barry Schrope led the pledge to the American flag followed by an invocation given by Kurt Hepschmidt.

The minutes of the July 6, 2021 meeting were presented to the supervisors and posted for attendees in the Township Building prior to the August 2, 2021 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 due to not being at the July meeting.

David Mills thanked the township for continuing to support recreation in the community and asked about the status of the paper work for the grant. Jeff Smith stated he has not heard anything since the last meeting when Joe Burget told him the paper work was submitted to DEP. Vicki Jenkins stated she will email Sally Burget and check on the status.

John Weldon stated 2 months ago he was here with a list of items that need completed at the park and only 1 thing has been done and was wondering when the rest would be done. Jeff Smith stated they have been busy the last month with storm damage with trees down and roads washed out. John stated it's been 2 months and he feels like he is talking on deaf ears.

Jeff Smith presented the Road Master report for the month of July. Jeff stated the road crew has cleaned up from storm damage; had washouts on Linton Hill, Pleasant Grove and Basin Hill, had 150 ton of rip rap hauled in to fix the roads, Dugans Mill pipe washed out again and there were about a dozen or more trees down to clean up, about ½ way done with the 2nd round of mowing and cut down a tree on Linton Hill. Jeff advised the F550 is still at Maguires Ford, the repair that was done did not fix it, they said the part was fault and will need to replace it again.

Byron Worner of the Duncannon Fire Co. stated just from hearing some things he urges the supervisors if they hear something contact him or the president to squash any rumors. Byron stated they are looking at one of their busiest years this year.

Correspondence has been received from Jason Finnerty of the Perry County Planning Commission asking for participation in the county's process of gathering a list of projects envisioned to be accomplished by the township over the next 10 years; a unified comprehensive plan. The supervisors stated the townships comprehensive plan was just done in 2013 and at this point they are not interested in participating at this time and that most of the bridges and culverts have already been taken care of. Barry Schrope made a motion to not participate in the unified comprehensive plan at this time, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

The Perry County Convention will be held September 11, 2021 this year at the Newport Fairgrounds. Vicki Jenkins will send out the invite and information to the committees and elected officials.

The supervisors stated the appreciation picnic for all current volunteers, officials and children will be held at Wagner Park on Tuesday, September 28, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. Vicki Jenkins will send out the invites to everyone.

Jeff Smith stated he received a letter from a resident on Loshes Run requesting the township does not mow along the road on her property which is about ½ mile long due to having native plants there. Jeff stated he checked into it and she currently does not own the property, it's under a rent to own with the current owner. All supervisors agreed to still do 1 pass along the road with the mower. Jim Fuller stated he and Jeff should go and talk with the resident.

Lester Nace followed up on a few items; he advised he has heard that the animal crematory issue in the township may not be over yet, at last month's meeting he asked about the Heritage Lane subdivision and stated Vicki found the subdivision folder and he will look through it and the last issue was about a resident burning on Montebello Farm/Montebello Road and will follow up and see what's going on there.

Vicki Jenkins stated in the PSATS News Bullentin there is a new requirement requiring townships to post their agendas 24 hrs. before a meeting on their website and at the township building. Vicki stated items may still be added to the agenda by majority vote after first stating the reason for the change and then repost the agenda.

Vicki Jenkins stated correspondence has been received from Kristie Smith of the Conservation District regarding a new statewide waste tire pile list. They are interested in obtaining information on sites within Perry County and other counties that may have piles consisting of approximately 5,000 waste tires for cleanup.

Barry Schrope stated a thank you note has been received from the Duncannon Senior Center thanking the township for their donation.

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

5502 – 5532, 130, 131, 06-2021, 070221, 006-2021, 071221, 0002-2021, 072021A and 072021B
Jeff Smith, 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 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicki L. Jenkins
Twp. Secretary