

The regular meeting of the Wheatfield Township Supervisors was held Monday, October 4, 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, Mike Gensemer (BIU), Paul Krieger, Luke Roman (Perry Cty. Times), Kurt Hepschmidt, Rhoda Barrick, Elijah Barrick and David Mills.

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

The minutes of the September 7, 2021 regular meeting were presented to the supervisors and posted for attendees in the Township Building prior to the October 4, 2021 regular meeting for public viewing. Jeff Smith made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting as presented by the secretary, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Holly Potter thanked the supervisors for the nice picnic that was held for the volunteers.

Sue Flickinger also thanked the supervisors for the picnic.

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 did grading on Linton Hill and Mountain Road, completed the 3rd round of mowing, had 13 miles of line painting done, took care of trees down and minor road flooding from a couple storms; a couple of the roads had to be closed due to wires being down, had front tires put on the backhoe and got the F550 back from Maguires Ford; Jeff stated everything was covered under warranty except for the batteries and a starter. Barry Schrope stated he had a couple people thank him for the job the township does for mowing along the roads; a lady from Pine Hill Road stopped at his house and a lady from Roseglen Road sent an email.

There was no representative from the Duncannon Fire Co. at tonight's meeting.

Mike Gensemer of Building Inspection Underwriters was at tonight's meeting to introduce himself to the supervisors and make sure everything was running smoothly. Mike stated they appreciate the townships business.

The township has received correspondence from Cheri Matter of DCNR stating they have completed their review of the Wagner Park bridge project information and the township is approved to advertise for bids. The supervisors reviewed the bid advertisement prepared by Act One and made a few changes. Barry Schrope made a motion to advertise the bid notice in the local paper as amended, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Correspondence has been received from the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission seeking nominations for representation from the local governments in Dauphin and Perry Counties. Currently Jim Fuller represents the Perry Southeast Regional Planning Area. Barry Schrope made a motion to nominate Jim Fuller as the representative again, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor.

Correspondence has been received from Jason Finnerty from the Perry County Planning Commission regarding the 2022 Local Planning Assistance Program, a program that works with a municipality planning commission and staff to provide technical assistance and advice on planning related issues for a fee based on which level of service would be needed. The supervisors stated at this time they would not be interested.

The township has received notice from the Commonwealth of PA that the Volunteer Fire Relief for 2021 has been received in the amount of \$16,084.09. Barry Schrope made a motion to release \$12,063.07 (3/4) to the Duncannon Fire Co. and \$4,021.02 (1/4) to the New Bloomfield Fire Co., Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor.

Jim Fuller made a motion to release the \$500 donation as budgeted to Perry County Crime Stoppers, Jeff Smith 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 Clyde Holman and E. Christopher Abruzzo 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.

Jim Fuller made a motion to have Trick or Treat night in Wheatfield Township on Saturday, October 30, 2021 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope made a motion to schedule a budget workshop for the preliminary 2022 budget on Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor. The workshop will be advertised as required by law.

Barry Schrope stated the township did have their appreciation picnic last Tuesday evening and there were around 40 people who attended.

Lester Nace stated the appeal the township filed for a property on Linton Hill Road will be October 28th or 29th.

Jim Fuller stated a letter was submitted by Ken Masser regarding some safety suggestions for the monthly recycling program. Jim stated the township did purchase a do not enter sign to put at the lower end of the parking lot, safety vests were placed in the shed for the volunteers and moved the forks and bucket to a better location as to avoid turning towards the flow of traffic. Jim thanked all of those who came out and helped.

Kurt Hepschmidt asked if the warranty on the F550 would start again since it was again repaired for the same thing. Jeff Smith advised the warranty is for a year and it started last November; the warranty does not start over.

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

5568 – 5593, 008-2021, 08-2021, 090121, 090821 and 132

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, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicki L. Jenkins

Twp. Secretary