

A public hearing was held on Monday, June 6, 2022 at 6:45 p.m. in the Township Building. Barry Schrope called the hearing to order at 6:45 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 amendment to Ordinance #22-11-92 amending Section 3 membership, from seven individuals to five individuals on the Park and Recreation Board. Those present were Barry Schrope, Jim Fuller, Jeff Smith, Vicki Jenkins, Dexter Potter, Kurt Hepschmidt, David Mills, John Weldon, Holly Potter and Ann Clapper.

Barry Schrope started the hearing with an explanation of tonight's hearing and stated the Recreation Board asked the Supervisors to look into changing how many individuals were needed on the Recreation Board.

John Weldon stated it is tough to get all current members to the meetings and if there are not enough members they do not have a quorum. John stated going from 7 members to 5 members will help with this problem.

David Mills stated the same as John that it is a problem getting enough members for the meetings and believes it is in the best interest of the Recreation Board to lower the members to 5.

With their being no further comments/questions Jeff Smith made a motion to adjourn the public hearing, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor. Public hearing adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Wheatfield Township Supervisors was held Monday, June 6, 2022 in the Township Building. Barry Schrope called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Barry Schrope, Jim Fuller, Jeff Smith, Vicki Jenkins, Lester Nace, Dexter Potter, Kurt Hepschmidt, David Mills, John Weldon, Holly Potter, Ann Clapper, Rick Shumaker, Cody Jones, Cody Weaver, Joe Burget, Connie Burget and Kraig Nace.

Barry Schrope led the pledge to the American flag followed by an invocation given by Jim Fuller.

The minutes of the May 2, 2022 regular meeting were presented to the supervisors and posted for attendees in the Township Building prior to the June 6, 2022 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 supervisors for continuing to support recreation in the community.

Ann Clapper stated she is here tonight because of the fly problem on Newport Road. Ann showed the supervisors a video on her phone of the flies on her chimney and believes they are coming from a farmer in Miller Township who is spreading manure on fields in the township and not spreading it around; just leaving it in big piles. Jim Fuller stated he knew the farmer and would go and speak with him. There were also some suggestions about contacting the County Conservation Office regarding the issue to see if there is a manure management plan for this operation.

Kraig Nace of the Duncannon EMS stated they have completed their 990 and he has emailed it to Vicki Jenkins for the Township records. Kraig presented the updated call numbers to the supervisors and stated there roof repair is finally underway and it should be done by Wednesday. Kraig advised they have applied for a Covid grant and are not sure what that amount will be and the State Fire Commission grant was awarded and they received around \$8,000 and that money went straight to their mortgage principal. Kraig also stated the mock crash was held at Susquenita the beginning of May and well attended.

Jeff Smith presented the road report for last month. Jeff stated the road crew has done grading on Dugans Mill, Roseglen and Linton Hill, hauled 4 loads of shot rock for Linton Hill, replaced a 30" pipe on Dark Hollow, mowing and trimming at the park once a week, mowed the covered bridge twice, mowed the Montebello Farm cemetery, took care of some downed trees on Glutts Hole and Basin Hill, put the mower on the tractor and serviced it and they should be done with the first round of mowing tomorrow. Jeff said he did contact McNaughton about doing the blacktopping over the pipes that have been replaced and he's supposed to meet him this week; Jeff said he contacted Snyder's Paving as well and they are too busy. Jeff stated he received the bridge inspection report for the Montebello Road Bridge and all looks good.

Cody Weaver of the Duncannon Fire Co. stated the new brush truck should be here next week, they had a structure fire on Aqueduct Road as a training class, had some warranty paint work done on the rescue truck at Noaker's and the church property in Duncannon they want to buy is a go. Vicki Jenkins asked the supervisors about the email received from Timmy Myers, Treasurer, regarding the transfer of \$55,000 to the capital reserve account for the final payment of the new truck. Vicki asked if the money would be sent directly to the debtor as done in the past or to the fire company. The supervisors stated the money would be sent right to the debtor and not to the fire company. Vicki will email Timmy Myers for the information to send the check to.

Cody Jones of Burget and Associates presented the Mullen Final Minor Subdivision Plan. Cody stated the purpose of the plan is to subdivide approved lots of prior approved subdivisions to consolidate adjoining lands of un-conveyed tracts. Cody advised all comments from the planning commission have been addressed and they have recommended approval of the AOR's requested and the plan. The requested AOR's are 1 – Preliminary Plan Procedure, 2 – Preliminary Plat Specs and 3 – Steep Slopes. Jeff Smith made a motion to accept the AOR's as requested, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor. Jeff Smith made a motion to approve the plan as presented, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope stated the supervisors held a public hearing earlier this evening regarding the Recreation Board Ordinance revision going from seven members on the board to a five member board. Jeff Smith made a motion to approve the amended ordinance #67-01-22, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

The Wagner Park Bridge grant was discussed. Jim Fuller stated an email (copy on file) has been received from Dave Wilson regarding the price increase John Weldon submitted. Dave stated he would not advise the township to allow him to raise the price after he won the contract. Barry Schrope stated the email indicates John could lose the check submitted for the 10% bid bond since he's breaking the bid. John Weldon stated the supervisors can do what they want to do but he is not doing the job for what the bid price was. After a lengthy discussion on this Jim stated he will talk to Perry Stambaugh and see if there is any way he can help us out with DCNR. Issue has been tabled until next month.

At last month's meeting the supervisors discussed an issue on Montebello Farm Road regarding a resident's mailbox and several signs and other debris placed around it, which is in the township's right of way. A certified letter has been sent to the resident who placed the debris there asking for the removal of the debris, etc. The owner has removed the metal posts with the signs on them and placed the signs on the trees but has not removed the stump with the rebar in it and the fencing and other debris from the right of way. Another letter will be sent to the property owner with more detail regarding moving the stump and rebar and other debris.

Correspondence has been receiving from Jason Finnerty, Perry County Planning Commission, regarding participating in the Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan Partnership. The supervisors stated the township has already updated our comprehensive plan and are not interested in participating. Jim Fuller made a motion to send the paper work back indicating we do not choose to participate, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

Jeff Smith asked the other supervisors if they were okay with him getting prices and scheduling for paving over the pipes that have been replaced instead of waiting till next month's meeting. Barry Schrope and Jim Fuller stated they were okay with that and to go ahead and get it done. Jeff advised he will contact them with the price's he receives.

Jeff Smith asked about getting prices for a new bed for the blue dump. The supervisors asked Jeff to get prices for next month's meeting.

Lester Nace stated he caught a man from New Buffalo trying to dump plastics in our recycling containers.

Vicki Jenkins stated correspondence has been receiving from CoStars regarding the road salt. They advised due to the ongoing challenges in the supply chain and price increases to order enough salt under the current contract to fill our stockpile now and that orders need to be received by July 29, 2022 if we would like to order the remaining portion of our current contract. The supervisors advised to order the remainder of our salt requirement for next winter season.

Vicki Jenkins stated she has been contacted by Don Jacobs Insurance asking to give the township a quote on the insurance (property, vehicle, etc.) and that they would need a copy of our current policy. The supervisors advise that would be fine for them to give us a quote just to white out the cost amounts before giving them a copy of our current policy.

Vicki Jenkins asked what the status is on the new truck that was ordered. Jeff Smith advised he spoke to them and it will still be another month or so till it's done.

Vicki Jenkins advised we have received the bill from Sylvester's for the spring cleanup, 7 land fill dumpsters and 1 tire dumpster; total bill was \$5,861.30 and the township made \$5,590.

Jim Fuller stated recycling was probably the busiest one we ever had and that he was very thankful for all the help that was there.

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

5837 – 5870, 050322, 04-2022, 004-2022 and 050922

Jeff Smith second the motion, 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 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicki L. Jenkins
Twp. Secretary