

The regular meeting of the Wheatfield Township Supervisors was held Monday, April 3, 2023 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, Dave Jenkins, Paul Krieger, Sue Flickinger, Holly Potter, Elijah Barrick, Joshua Schrader, David Mills, Kurt Hepschmidt, Dexter Potter and Kraig Nace.

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

The minutes of the March 6, 2023 regular meeting were presented to the supervisors and posted for attendees in the Township Building prior to the April 3, 2023 regular meeting for public viewing. Jeff Smith made the motion to approve the minutes as presented by the secretary, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Joshua Schrader thanked the supervisors for affirming him as Deputy EMC.

David Mills gave an update for the recreation board; placed the trash cans out, turned on the water, turned bathroom fan on, softball had their work detail and took the door closers off the bathroom to repair.

Kurt Hepschmidt suggested placing guard rails on Montebello Road and fixing a bad spot on Narrows Road. Kurt also stated he has not received anything from PSATS for his TEMA membership.

Dexter Potter stated he is running for Township Supervisor and gave a brief bio on himself and his roles in the community.

Kraig Nace of the Duncannon EMS presented the call report through the end of March, stated they had their Easter Bunny breakfast Saturday and their next Sunday dinner is April 16<sup>th</sup> and so far for the Match Madness program they are at \$995 in donations.

Jeff Smith presented the Road report for last month as follows: filled in shoulders on Glutz Hole, took care of downed trees on Loshes Run, Dugans Mill and Montebello, sprayed all the ball fields at Wagner Park, rolled the fields at Wagner Park, cleaned the bridges and intersections, still working on dead trees throughout the township, had 4 loads of salt delivered, took the snow plows off the trucks and fixed the bathroom doors as well and equipment room door at Wagner Park. Jeff stated M&J Paving will be here tomorrow to look at the areas that need black top patching and that he is still working on prices for a tar buggy.

There was no representative from the Duncannon Fire Co. at tonight's meeting. Vicki Jenkins stated Ethan May called her and stated they received a \$25,000 Community Aid grant for fire gear.

The supervisors reviewed the paving and seal coat bid packages. Jim Fuller made a motion to approve and advertise the bid packages as prepared, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor. Vicki Jenkins will forward the advertisement to the local paper. Bids will be opened at the May meeting.

Agenda Item #8 – AED for township building – tabled.

Kurt Hepschmidt reviewed with the supervisors the letter he sent (copy on file) to PEMA regarding the PEMA directive D2022-02 dated July 5, 2022.

Agenda Item #10 – Blue Ridge Communications Franchise Agreement – tabled.

Jim Fuller made a motion to release \$1200 budgeted as a donation to the Duncannon Senior Citizens Center and \$500 budgeted as a donation to the New Bloomfield Library, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor.

Sue Flickinger presented the 2022 Auditors report stating the Township audit has been completed along with the Tax Collector and Recreation Board records showing all records were in order (copies on file). Sue stated the Auditors commend Township personnel for their diligence in their performance of duties in keeping the interest of Township residents of upmost importance.

Barry Schrope stated the Perry County Commissioners would be holding their monthly meeting here at the township building on May 22, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

At last month's meeting the dry hydrant at the Sulphur Springs Bridge was discussed about it being difficult to use. Jeff Smith stated he has looked at it and it is done according to how it was designed when the bridge was built. Kurt Hepschmidt asked if anything could be done with it. Jeff stated he will contact Byron Worner.

Barry Schrope asked the other supervisors if there was a need for volunteers to sign the paper about taking stuff home again this year. All supervisors agree things went well last year and they will all be there this year to handle any situation that arises.

Jeff Smith stated he received a complaint from a resident about placing some rocks along the edge where the creek gets close to Sulphur Springs Road. The supervisors stated that would be fine but would be best to wait until the fall when the water is down.

Jim Fuller thanked the volunteers who came out to recycling on Saturday.

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

6174 – 6204 and 002-2023, 02-2023, 030623 and 030723

Jim Fuller second the motion to approve the checks, with all in favor.

There being no further business Jim Fuller made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Jeff Smith second the motion, with all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Vicki L. Jenkins  
Twp. Secretary