

February 9, 2021

Chairman Arden Knapp called the February 9, 2021 Township meeting to order with a salute to the flag at 7:00 p.m. with Vice-Chairman John Phillips, Supervisor Andy Brooks and Secretary-Treasurer Lea Ann Adams present. Also in attendance was Linda Phillips and Ed Dorunda.

Public Comment: Mr. Dorunda requested an update on the EMS/Fire Service situation. Mr. Brooks proceeded to explain that the board felt it was too expensive to continue with the agreement and that other options for coverage are being explored.

Minutes from the January 26, 2021 meeting were approved by John Phillips and second by Andy Brooks. The January Treasurer's report was approved by Andy Brook and seconded by John Phillips. Bills are presented for payment as follows: General Fund \$874.14; Sewer Fund \$25,846.04; Fire Fund \$521.98 for total bills of \$27,242.16. John Phillips made a motion to pay the bills as presented and Andy Brooks second. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Upcoming Reminders: None

Chairman Arden Knapp had Linda Phillips take her Oath of Office for the appointed position as elected auditor vacated by Mr. Don Sobina. The Warren County Office of Elections will be notified.

Correspondence that was received consisted of four well permits located in Mead Township, the January 2021 Planning and Zoning report, the January 2021 Tax Claim Bureau report, the January building code reports from CCI and the City of Warren with 2 open permits listed. The township received notification that Mr. Alex Zawacki has applied for a DEP General permit 03 for a project located along 1280 Route 62 to protect the bank and property from erosion. Swanson, Bevevino, and Sharp announced that Megan C. Willey is a new member to the firm. National Fuel provided an updated emergency contact list. John Phillips made a motion to approve a \$50 scholarship donation request from the Warren County Victim Impact Panel. Andy Brooks second and motion passed by voice vote.

Old Business: E & M Engineer Jeff Holcomb and a representative from Penelec has met to discuss the electric feed to the new sewer pit site. ► No further information has developed with the Mohawk Avenue sewer extension project. ► The Blighted Property Review Committee sent a letter to the new owner of 1465 Route 62, Mr. Stephen Smith, requesting his presence at the next BPRC on February 18, 2021. ► Arden Knapp requested a status update on the demolition of 494 Grunderville Road. Mr. Bill Jackson, who is providing the demolition will be contacted. ► No further information has been received from Warren Manor regarding the December 16 letter requesting an engineering solution to illegal material entering the sanitary system. Arden Knapp requested that attorney Tim Bevevino be consulted on implementing service charges in addition to the surcharges that would cover the daily emptying of the sewer trap and disposing of the material. ► No further information has been received from IDC Energy on tonnage requests. This topic will be added to the list to discuss with attorney Tim Bevevino. ► Lea Ann reported that 3 certified letters were sent out to delinquent payment plan sewer customers that have not satisfied their account in the allotted time. Also, five certified letters for accounts with \$300 or more past due balances were sent with a deadline of February 20 for payment in full. ► No further information was available concerning the investigation of the camp along Ott Run. ► A copy of the service agreement with EmeryCare and Sheffield Township with reimbursement agreements was reviewed. ► The supervisors moved forward with the purchase of the Dodge Ram 5500 truck with Griffin Motors through CoStars contract #025-297 at \$47,961 and up fitted through US Municipal at \$38,673.86 for a total of \$86,634.86. ► The state salt contract deadline for the 2021-2022 season is March 15, 2021.

New Business: ► Pleasant Township received the listing of properties up for Judicial Sale that will be sold freed and clear.

► Andy Brooks made a motion to update the controls of the East Drumcliffe sewer station at \$9,589.00. John Phillips second and motion passed by voice vote. The West Drumcliffe station was reviewed and upgraded with a \$160 starter.

► The board completed the survey request sent by Mary Bula that involved discussions through COG and to help develop its future programmatic agenda.

► The board reviewed Mr. Ed Atwood's request for township participation along with the County Commissioners, Pennsoil and Pennvest to secure grant money for plugging abandoned wells. The supervisors are willing to assist with the application process but the township does not have any funds to allocate toward plugging wells. A response will be sent to Mr. Atwood.

Wastewater System Report: Road Foreman Toby Sidon has been working with Top Logic Electrical (former LeBoeuf Industries) on upgrading the Drumcliffe sewer station controls. Also, Penelec along with E&M Engineers have met to determine the electric route for the new sewer pit placement.

Road Foreman Report: The road crew continues to skid and plow snow covered roads. They have also have repaired and upgraded the office closet.

Compliments/Complaints: Arden Knapp received a complaint that a resident on Valley View had deep digs in the yard due to having the snow pushed back.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Lea Ann Adams, Secretary