

Chairman Arden Knapp called the July 27, 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 were Joey Warrington, Edward Brewer, Matt Wilson, Ed Dorunda, Dave and Emily Nostrant, Jim and Marcia Harris, Steve and Kristi Bogart, Allan Gustafson, Gil and Kathleen Knorr, Anna Kirkpatrick, Tim and Kathy Johnson, David Tipton, Frank Scalise, and Andy Close.

Public Comment: Joey Warrington informed the board about the many animals, manure, and the noise level at any time of the day, especially morning hours, and the number of animals that have roamed onto his property causing destruction. The neighboring property is located at 60 Blackberry Lane. The township has received a copy of the Warren County Planning and Zoning letter that addresses the agricultural setback requirements to the zoning ordinance. The supervisors requested that an informative letter be sent to Mike Brannon of 60 Blackberry Lane concerning the Nuisance Ordinance and request that he make necessary adjustments to be in compliance with the ordinance by the August board meeting.

► Mr. Wilson and Mr. Nostrant were present to discuss the fireworks complaint and ordinance. Mr. Wilson sent letters to each supervisor including the township and fire chief. Chairman Arden Knapp stated that the township attorney was consulted on this issue and the township has followed all requirements allowable by law and when an applicant satisfies all requirements, the township cannot legally justify not signing the permit. Mr. Wilson does not feel he should have to deal with debris of fireworks landing on his property that could potential be a fire hazard. Supervisor Andy Brooks clarified that the state of Pennsylvania has loosening the restrictions on fireworks and the only control the township has is a 150 foot distance of discharge from structure. He further clarified that if the ordinance would be rescinded, it would allow anyone to discharge fireworks without any controls. The township depends on the state police and sheriff department. Mr. Nostrant addressed Mr. Wilson's complaint/concerns and did offer to clean up any debris that had fallen on his property and pay for any detailing of vehicles and Mr. Wilson did decline. Mr. Nostrant stated that the high altitude fireworks are not the fire hazard, it is more of the low grounder fireworks and duds that are the fire hazard risk. He acknowledged that in the future he try to keep fallen debris from hitting Mr. Wilson's house even if that means not shooting high altitude fireworks. Mr. Nostrant concluded that the neighbors in attendance and himself want to see the tradition of the fireworks display to continue.

► Mr. Brewer from 18 Drumcliffe Drive has a drainage problem and is the only property without a ditch in the vicinity. He apologized for not obtaining a stormwater management application and digging on the property before he diverted the water. Mr. Brewer would like to connect to a private storm drain in his neighbor's yard, but the neighbor is denying access due to being flooded by his Mr. Brewer's actions. Chairman Arden Knapp, recommended making amends with the neighbor and try to grant permission to connect to his private storm drain.

► Discussion switched to the Mohawk Avenue Sewer Extension and a timeline of completion. The supervisors stated that it is still moving forward as quick as it can. The audience group indicated they would like to see water come up to the Mohawk area. The township explained that is not feasible at this time due to the Pennsylvania American Water Company wanting 2.5 million dollars from the township and the funds are not there.

► Tim Johnson from the fire department reported that the ISO ratings are effecting the homeowner's insurance premiums due to the rating of the fire departments. The rating is based on distance from the fire departments and water sources. Tim was receiving calls about the rating and he investigated and has some operation facts that he could provide to the insurance companies that may assist with the rating and policy premiums for the homeowners. The discussion switch to the EMS coverage. Tim provided written statistics on EMS coverage from January – July 26 that involved Emergycare and the City of Warren. It seems that Emergycare is taking the majority of the calls and less calls are being handled by the City of Warren. The fire department is looking to eliminate two trucks and go to one truck. This truck would have capacity to hold 1,000 gallons of water, rescue compartment, and hold tools along with seating for 6 firefighters at the approximate cost of \$625,000 - \$675,000. The plan is to pick a truck in November or December and it will be 14 months before delivery. Tim has inquired the amount of available funds from the Fire Fund and Chairman Arden Knapp stated that the fire department could expect \$200,000. Tim also stated they are working on the water company grant in which the fire department is putting 5" adapters to all the hydrants.

► Kathy Johnson mention the graffiti on the streets that was found a month ago. She stated that some of it has been covered up, but there is some that is remaining. Chairman Knapp felt it would wear off and spending the funds to have someone cover it up was not economical.

John Phillips made a motion to approve the June 22, 2021 meeting minutes and Arden Knapp second. Motion was passed by voice vote. Andy Brooks made a motion to approve the June 2021 treasurer's report. John Phillips second and motion passed by voice vote. Bills are presented for payment as follows: General Fund \$29,156.72; Sewer Fund \$9,130.63; Equipment Fund \$48,817.47 for total bills of \$87,104.82. Arden Knapp made a motion to pay the bills as presented and Andy Brooks second. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Upcoming Reminders: There will be a townhall meeting lead by Commissioners Jeff Eggleston and Ben Kafferlin on Thursday, July 29 at 6:00 p.m. at the municipal building. The PSATS annual business meeting is scheduled October 15 and registration opens August 2. The Warren County Tax Claim Bureau Upset Sale is scheduled for Monday, September 27.

Correspondence that was received consisted of a well permit for the Pleasant Township, Warren County Zoning permits with approved stormwater management plans issued to Jon Walnoha for a deck addition at 84 Homestead Lane, Mark Rossman for a detached garage addition at 137 Buena Vista Boulevard and to Pleasant Township Supervisors for building

modification/improvements at 8 Chari Lane. The June building permit report from CCI was reviewed. The June 2021 District Magistrate Report, the Court of Common Pleas report, Real Estate Transfer report, and Tax Claim Bureau report were received and reviewed by the board. The township has district magistrate hearings scheduled for August 18 starting at 9:30 a.m. for 3 delinquent sewer customers. The 2nd quarter water bills from the Warren County School District McKinley Avenue building were reviewed with no notable changes. The July minutes of the Warren County Redevelopment Authority were reviewed. The Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System has provided the summary of municipal reserve account for 2019 and Atlantic Broadband has provided a copy of a letter to residents of rate increases.

Old Business: ► Planning and Zoning has approved the Eiter Subdivision that severs Parcel A (134.6 square feet) from Parcel YV937-4198 for annexation to YV937-4431 and severs Parcel B (425.3 square feet) from YV-937-4431 for annexation to YV-937-4198. ► The township received \$120,160.26 in American Rescue Plan funds. Andy Brooks made a motion to open a bank account with Erie Bank and transfer the funds into a new bank account for record keeping purposes. John Phillips second and motion passed by voice vote. ► The supervisors observed no change to the condition of 194 River Valley Road after the certified letter was sent. Pictures were taken on July 27 and will be forward to the attorney for action. ► The board approved a holding tank agreement with an annual inspection and pumping receipts for the camp located on Ott Run. The holding tank agreement should be in the property owner's name since the leaser tends to change hands often. The particulars should be worked out among the lessee and lessor.

New Business: The Township received \$20,384.16 in US Forestry funds.

► Arden Knapp made a motion to approve Winifred Cerbin and Dennis Wharram holding tank agreement for 174 Mossy Oak Lane. Andy Brooks second and motion passed by voice vote. It will be recorded at the courthouse.

► Andy Brooks made a motion to cash in the fire fund cd in the approximate amount of \$104,091.85 and deposit it into the Northwest Fire Fund Bank Account. John Phillips second and motion passed by voice vote.

► Andy Brooks made a motion to approve Susan Geer to the deputy tax collector position. John Phillips second and motion passed by voice vote.

► The 2nd quarter number/flows are ready to be submitted to the City of Warren.

► Andy Brooks made a motion to approve .25 to Derek Roneker and Wade Paulisick hourly rate for obtaining their tanker endorsement certification on their commercial driver's license. Arden Knapp second and motion passed by voice vote.

Wastewater System Report: The road crew continues to empty the Warren Manor trap on the weekends.

Road Foreman Report: The road crew have been busy with prepping for the paving projects and mowing the responsibilities around the township. They have had to deal with water runoff and clearing storm drains due to the hard rainfall in the last month.

Compliments/Complaints: ► A parking issue has been identified on 10 McKinley Avenue. Lifestyle Services has a different car parked in the street every day. Vehicles have been tagged with no resolution. The supervisors requested a letter to be sent to Lifestyle Services locally as well as corporate level explaining the parking ordinance and giving until August 16 to comply.

► Arden Knapp made a motion to declare 275 Lenhart Road in violation of the nuisance ordinance # 4-08 and John Phillips second. Motion passed by voice vote. Based on the photos, the building is deteriorated and is considered a habitat for vermin. A letter will be sent to the property owner to make improvements and to comply with the ordinance.

► Suit-Kote will be contacted to fixing the township yard as a result of having their equipment on the property.

► A letter from a prior member of the fire department was received that explained a situation where they were told to leave the premises without an explanation after being invited by another fire department member for the 4th of July fireworks display. It was noted that other members of the public were on the property at the time and were able to stay. The supervisors agreed that they have no standing with the dispute, but stated that the fire department cannot forbid anyone from entering the property for voting purposes or to receive any emergency assistance.

► The supervisors requested a letter be sent to Allhouse Oil Company concerning the abandon well on the property that spewed oil on the ground and killed the grass.

Meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Lea Ann Adams, Secretary