

January 28, 2019

Members of the Board present: Chairman Bill Lynn, Vice Chairman T S Scott, Supervisors, Larry Robertson, John Whelan, Treasurer Ken Houck, Secretary Carolyn Dragano, and Joe Oberdorf, Zoning Officers Dean VonBlohn and Jim Dragano, Andrew Barton, Engineer, Police Chief Sean McGinley, Fire Chief Leslie Young and Lloyd Craig, Street Department.

Present for the public were Marlene & Don Gunther, Lori and Glen Cromley, Harold and Mary Auten, Linda Rea, Henry Eyer, Nancy Whelan, Al Pavis, Bill and Rose Pursel.

ALL VOTING WILL BE CONSIDERED UNANIMOUS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

Treasurer Ken Houck gave the Financial Report for December 2018. A beginning balance of \$254,917.30, receipts \$263 379.09 and expenses of \$317,600.26 with an ending balance of \$200,696.13. The Water and Sewer Department beginning balance was \$949,311.29, receipts of \$350,731.54 and expenses of \$120,869.21 with an ending balance of \$1,179,173.62. Ken noted that Carolyn Dragano, Water and Sewer Secretary did an awesome these past few months with delinquent accounts and now there are just a few residents who are on quarter in arears, which is unprecedented. The report was approved after motions by Scott and Robertson.

Solicitor Tira is still ongoing with Deeds of Dedications being addressed and progress being made. Scott believes the Suez project should be completed by March 29, 2019. He also noted that Suez invoices the residents monthly. Scott also asked the Solicitor to work on a lease agreement with Suez. Mrs. Auten wanted to know of the procedures for paying Suez's invoice.

Zoning Officer Dean VonBlohn reported that he is working with Drumheller survey on left turn going back into woodland and he will have it ready for the Joint Planning Commission Meeting on the 4th of February. He is working on the Drumheller survey regarding the Woods and Welsh combining a few lots. He also reviewed a Water run off problem at Leighow's Oil Inc. on Eyer Road.

Police Chief McGinley had nothing to add to report from earlier other than dog bite incident. A 10-year-old child bit. An investigation proved the dog was not dangerous.

Engineer Drew Barton – no planning submission. Drew also noted that any speed change should be done when the Township gets approval rather than piecemeal changing speeds on Bloom Road. Working on a large scale and update on the grant status. Restoration behind Glenbrook and Meadow. They will also be able to incorporate that in the MS4 project. We will get credit for the two, Academy and Bloom Road but we probably won't hear until Sept or Oct. of this year.

Mrs. Auten asked about the bike path and she recommends reducing the speed to 30 miles per hour on Bloom Road. Big trucks and cars go 45 to 50 miles per hour. She thinks they should reduce it. Drew will discuss with PennDOT and is an idea he too had. Poles will be required to be removed because they are hazards to people pulling out. She also asked about mail boxes along Bloom Road. Drew said if they are successful with the grant everything will be addressed. John Whelan talked about the bike bath, road widths and Scott reviewed the plan. Lynn said there is a lot of room on the south side so there will be a lot more room once no one parks there.

Lloyd Craig Street Department Report January 28, 2019 shows: Items worked on over the past month, Pending Items that were completed.

Matt Swartz from Penn Dot has been doing some research for us. The red light at Rt. 11 and Woodbine Ln. has had some timing issues over the years. This may be caused by power fluctuations. There are some things that we can install to help with this problem. I would go through our red-light contractor for his input. If you want me to research and contact Kuharchick, he will.

Overtime since 1/1/19 is as follows: 8 manhours for a tree down, 3 man-hours for safety committee, 11.25 manhours for water break, and 215.50 manhours for snow and ice removal.

Christmas tree collection on Friday did not occur due to ice problems throughout the township. Monday's tree collection was postponed due to a water line repair and prep for snow on Tuesday. We will get back through the township on last time to collect any remaining trees. This will occur on either Wednesday or Thursday this week.

Items that need Boards input/ approval.

Bloom Rd. No Parking signs. For 50 posts and 60 signs so we have spare for damage: Bradco: \$5,902.81 and Chemung: \$5,441.00. I would like to check one other supplier and order. Scott motioned to approve the purchase of signs from Chemung for \$5,441.00 or the remaining supplier, if their bid is lower than Chemung. Robertson seconded the motion.

F 550 Dump truck. Two chassis prices of \$47,506.30 from Kovatch Ford in Nesquehoning, \$49,500.00 from Sunbury Motor Co. One price on upfitting from Bradco of \$49,022.56. Whelan explained the financial picture of the purchase and moved to approve the purchase from Kovatch Ford from Nesquehoning at \$47,506.30 and the upfitting of the truck from Bradco Inc. at \$49,022.56. This was seconded by Scott. Some of the items of upfitting is a stainless-steel body, spreader, and plow blade.

Paving for 2019. Red Lane from Kaseville to N. Academy Ave., Red Lane from Kaseville to Edgewood, and the parking lots at the Township municipal building. These three areas will cost an estimated \$230,000 to \$240,000. Ken Houck, Treasurer and Solicitor Tira reported there must be two separate bids (1) for Red Lane and the other (2) for the parking lot resurfacing. Lloyd will have to change the figures for the bidding two separate resurfacing projects.

Lloyd reported that we have a serious water and icing problem of 40 to 50 yards of ice along the roadside with the parking lots at the Leighow Oil Co. property on Eyer Rd. This was addressed previously by me, zoning, and engineering with no solution from the land owner. Lloyd remembers that about three years ago letters were sent to Leighow. What is our next course of action? Lynn asked that we should have our engineer and Solicitor Tira look at this problem.

Al Pavis has issues with water with a neighbor. Solicitor Tira said the Township will not get involved with the issue and the neighbor.

Lynn, Scott and Lloyd mentioned the condition of the past years paving on Bloom Road which was done by PA DOT. All noted the sections of the road surface which have been peeling the last few weeks and Lloyd had to tell some residents that paving was not done by the Township.

Fire Chief Leslie Young gave the 2018 Annual East End Fire Report, and this is retained in the Township Report Binder.

Lloyd and TS spoke on what an asset Fire Chief Leslie Young is to Mahoning Township. Everyone applauded.

Unfinished Business.

Scott read the heading from the Emergency and Municipal Services Tax and then moved for final adoption of the advertised Emergency Municipal Services Tax with the rate remaining at \$52.00 per year. Robertson seconded the motion. No increase in the amount of the tax which remains at \$52.00.

New Business.

Scott moved to approve the March 2nd, 2019, Humdinger Trail Run for the Montour Area Recreation Commission as the Insurance Certificate was attached to the application for the "Special Event" procedure. Seconded by Whelan.

Mahoning Tax Collector Marlene Gunther wanted to let everyone know that Commissioners would be selling the Woodbine Lane Buildings where her office is located. The Montour County Commissioners have purchased the Danville School Building, and the County Offices would be moving there. They will selling the Woodbine Lane buildings. She reported that she could have gone with the new commissioner's building, and she had several options but decided to go to the Cooper Township Municipal Building at 59 Steltz Road. There will still be a lock box at the Cooper Township Building. She also received a phone call from Shannon Berkey that Lisa Strausser is retiring. So, she is going to take over Danville for just a year and this will be on a year to year basis. There is also an open position for a tax collector in Cooper Township. She will move on Monday and will be ready for business by Monday afternoon. Everything is automated, so things should run smoothly. She explained that you can also pay online. There is a processing amount for the online but only for online.

Mrs. Auten reminded the Supervisors that some people don't have cell phones or computers. Those that don't have it, miss on the communication.

Dean wanted to remind everyone that there will be a Joint Mahoning and Cooper Planning Commission meeting on the 4th of February.

Whelan motioned to adjourn the meeting and Robertson seconded.

This meeting was recorded. These minutes reflect the events and dialog during the meeting but are not transcribed verbatim.

Carolyn Dragano Secretary and Joe Oberdorf, Secretary