

August 9, 2021, Meeting Minutes- held at the Mahoning Township Building, 849 Bloom Road, Danville, PA

Members of the Board present: Chairman Bill Lynn, Supervisors, Larry Robertson, TS Scott, Molly Shultz, John Whelan, Engineer Drew Barton, Zoning Officer Dean VonBlohn, Secretary Carolyn Dragano, Chief Fred Dyroff, Fire Chief Leslie Young, DSI Lead Lloyd Craig & Treasurer Ken Houck

Present via Audio Video: Solicitor Jon DeWald

Also present: Danville News-Joe Sylvester, Glen Cromley, Henry Eyer, Gary Fritz, Linda Rea, Julie Focht, Nancy Whelan & Jim Barbarich

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The meeting started with the group saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Lynn asked for any public comment related to the agenda items – No comment

Police Chief Dyroff – had no report

Resident's Gary Fritz and Linda Rea expressed concerns about questionable people staying in their neighborhood and about the accumulating garbage that is attracting animals. Zoning Officer Dean and Chief Dyroff are already looking into this.

Treasurer Ken Houck:

Ken would like to table his June treasurer's report until the next meeting

Ken would like to switch from our current IT vendor (Mepush) to a new vendor (HIG), better service in both service and price. Supervisor Whelan said he contacted 3 or 4 of the references, who all gave glowing reviews. The company's name is Higher Information Group (HIG). **Supervisor Whelan motioned to give the treasurer approval to switch to Higher Information Group, HIG, out of Harrisburg. Supervisor Robertson seconded. Motion passed.**

Engineer Drew Barton gave his report:

Drew briefly discussed a final plan for owners Pedrick, Gehman & Tomanelli, for a total of 14 lots, mostly in Valley Township, where they are correcting lot lines. Lot #13 consists of 97.4 acres that is potentially being sold to a private individual that may put up two single family dwellings. At this point it's not complete because there are still outstanding housekeeping issues.

Drew said he had a meeting with SUEZ earlier in the month, on capital improvement projects they have going on, as well as disturbances on and off the road and any restoration requirements. Their goal is to start construction in the fall/winter. DSI Lead Lloyd Craig said there are two areas of old piping that he wants to look at, before SUEZ starts the project, that may need replaced. If so, this would need to be done before the roads are paved. Drew said he will respond with a letter so there are clear expectations of what needs to be done.

Drew said he would like to get together to have a meeting on the next 3 to 6 months forecast.

Solicitor Jon DeWald – had no report

Zoning officers Dean VonBlohn had no report but discussed:

Dean & Engineer Drew discussed a waiver request for a reduced driveway width on lots for Quail Hollow Development. The Mahoning-Cooper Joint Planning Commission recommended that the supervisors take action to approve the waiver based on the reduction in the amount of impervious surface, which will reduce storm water run-off.

Supervisor Scott motioned to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission to accept the proposal as presented by Mid Penn Engineering Corp. for Quail Hollow Development, providing for a waiver of 20ft wide minimum residential driveway width within the 207-27 H. for lot numbers 6 ,7 ,10, 11, 12, 14 through 24, 26 & 27, to allow width of no less than 12 feet wide. Supervisor Shultz seconded. Motion passed.

Dean would like to contract out the maintenance of tall grass and weeds, at the abandoned property at 1237 Bloom Road, which won't be foreclosed for several months. He will then put a lien on the property for the costs. There is already a sewer lien on the property. No motion required.

DSI Lead Lloyd Craig gave his report and discussed:

Lloyd said the Truck chassis that was ordered in February, may be at the dealers in two weeks and said the paving contractor should get started August 23rd.

Resident-Gary Fritz expressed erosion concerns near Brook Ave.

Fire Chief Leslie Young gave her report:

Unfinished Business:

From the last meeting, DSI Lead Lloyd Craig called PennDOT discussed the cost of putting (4) deer crossing signs in two locations would be around \$700, which includes signs, posts, and labor. PennDOT said they have done studies before and after deer crossing signs were put up and have seen no reduction in deer versus vehicle accidents. After a brief discussion the board said they understand residents request, however, no signs will be ordered due to PennDOT's assessment.

Chairman Lynn said they had no executive sessions since the last meeting.

Chairman Lynn asked for the board for new business: No comment

Chairman Lynn reminded residents that the next yard waste pick-up will be Tuesday, August 17th. Email JDOG at mahoningyards@gmail.com or call 570-759-7715. Please bag them and call JDOG for pick-up.

Chairman Lynn reminded residents of the upcoming 2021 Dumpster Day, scheduled for this Saturday, August 14th, from 8am to 11am and said to visit our website for details. Supervisor Whelan said residents should look on the website for details of what will and will not be accepted as it is a very comprehensive list. He said we reserve the right to refuse items. The list is also posted on the door window, here at the township.

Chairman Lynn asked for public comment not related to new business: No Comment.

Supervisor Scott would like Fire Chief Young and Police Chief Dyroff to give list of their departments upcoming anniversaries so he can give out awards.

Supervisor Whelan motioned to pay the bills. Supervisor seconded. Motion passed.

Supervisor Scott motioned to adjourn. Supervisor Robertson seconded. Motion passed.

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

All Reports are available at the Township Building

Carolyn Dragano, Secretary