November 22, 2021, Meeting Minutes- held at the Mahoning Township Building, 849 Bloom Road, Danville, PA

**Members of the Board present**: Chairman Bill Lynn, Supervisors, John Whelan, TS Scott, Treasurer Ken Houck, Zoning Officers Dean VonBlohn & Jim Dragano, Secretary Carolyn Dragano, DSI Lead Lloyd Craig, Engineer Drew Barton, Fire Chief Leslie Young & Solicitor Jon DeWald

Present via Audio Video: Supervisor Larry Robertson

Also present: Glen Cromley, Nancy Whelan, Henry Eyer, Linda Rea, Geri Gibbons-Press Enterprise.

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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 gave his report and discussed:

Chief Dyroff said they had more speed enforcement this month due to high complaint areas.

Chief said the resident on Brook Street that he received complaints about has moved out of the area.

Chief said his team participated in the Trinity Church and Danville Halloween night.

Chief discussed training his officers took in October for annual rifle qualification and quarterly pistol training and said Officer Ryan Pander completed training on strangulation.

Chief discussed a motion for the board to make for the Police Officers' Association resolving a grievance related to Officer Clossen. Supervisor Whelan motioned to authorize the chief to move forward with the agreement pertaining to Officer Clossen's one day suspension. Supervisor Scott seconded. Motion passed.

Chief reminded residents to get a designated driver or call to get a ride if they plan to drink during the holiday.

Resident Linda Rea expressed safety concerns about a well drilling truck on Maple Street that's been sitting for two weeks. Zoning Officer Dean will look into this.

DSI Lead Lloyd Craig said they opened visibility by cutting trees & bushes back near the SUEZ garage on Red Lane.

Resident Nancy Whelan expressed safety concerns about a freezer sitting out for free on Maple Street.

## **Treasurer Ken Houck had no report**

#### **Engineer Drew Barton**

Drew briefly discussed PPL replacing transmission lines on Bald Top Mountain. Contractor RHL is bonding Bald Top and Klein Road for \$10,000 and said they will complete the improvements themselves. Baseline for damages starts on November 13<sup>th</sup>. Supervisor Lynn said he will not allow them to use Route 11 to Bald Top. Drew said they have agreed not to use the hill near Route 11 to Bald Top Road They will go up and down Klein Road.

Supervisor Scott made a conditional motion that once the document from RHL Contractors is

prepared to our satisfaction addressing the concerns as stipulated and in writing and then the supervisors will review and sign agreeable document. Supervisor Whelan seconded. Motion passed. Drew said there will be weekly/bi-weekly checkups from his firm, which the contractor will pay for too.

Drew said the SUEZ watermain improvements have been changed to extend the watermain replacement to be 530' into Delwood Drive. Drew recommends SUEZ be required to do the overlay for \$27,821. This will bring our total to roughly \$211,000.

Fire Chief Young said she hopes that SUEZ will repair her yard from digging for the watermain. Drew said he thinks they will restore it, even though nothing is written to do so.

Drew said all paving that SUEZ does now is only temporary. They will come back next spring/summer to dig it out and make final restorations and repair for complete overlay.

Drew asked the board to approve Robert C. Young Inc invoice for Blizzard Run. Supervisor Scott motioned to approve invoice #5842 dated 11/9/21 to pay Robert C. Young Inc. for Blizzard Run Flood damage for contract price of \$8,750. Supervisor Robertson seconded. Motion passed.

Drew and Supervisor Scott briefly discussed the grant we were awarded for \$700,000 for Bloom Road for pedestrian and bicycle lanes, from Ardmoor Ave to approximately Meadow Lane. Drew said there is a match of 30%. This will enhance the safety of walkers and bicyclists and will also add to the beauty of the township. Supervisor Scott thanked Representative Masser and Senator Gordner for this and said we've been working on since he started as a supervisor. Drew said the time limit is typically 2 years to completion.

#### **Solicitor Jon DeWald:**

Solicitor Jon said the public hearing for Mahoning Township and Cooper Township that was scheduled for the zoning ordinance amendment and the T&S Realty curative amendment had to be pushed out from December 14<sup>th</sup> to December 20<sup>th</sup>, due to advertising requirements and notice to the county. Public Hearing will be at 5:30pm, followed by a Special Meeting at 7:30pm. Advertisements have been placed and the county has been notified.

## **Zoning Officer Dean VonBlohn discussed:**

Dean asked the board to approve a 60-day extension for T&S Realty, so they don't go over their time limit for the upcoming Public Hearing rescheduled for December 20<sup>th</sup>. **Supervisor Robertson moved to approve the 60**-day extension for T&S Realty in order to satisfy the 90-day clock. **Supervisor Whelan seconded. Motion passed**.

# DSI Lead Lloyd Craig gave his report and discussed:

Lloyd said the guiderails were ordered for Bald Top. Lloyd said they have sign maintenance to do from old worn signs.

There was a lengthy discussion about a resident on the corner of Woodhill Road and Bald Top Road who in a phone call to Lloyd expressed concerns about water running on to the back of his property. Lloyd doesn't know where to move this without it still going on to his property. This is from a PPL right of way uphill from the resident's property. Dean said the land was developed for a new home on that property along with storm water collection systems and said this land development was approved and installed according to the approved plans. Lloyd said a pipe above the property under Woodhill Road in the early 1990's, was approved and installed before the resident's new home was built. Lloyd feels other things need to be looked at and redirected. Someone changed something. This problem was preexisting prior to the house being built and the storm water plan was approved by the township. Drew thinks the resident may have changed something that made it worse and said he will look into this.

# Fire Chief Leslie Young gave her report

# **Unfinished Business**

Dean said he, Drew and Lloyd met with Glen Leighow and his excavator concerning storm water issues. Leighow's Engineer Chad Shaffer will design a permanent fix to get the water off the road, which will first be reviewed and approved by our engineer Drew Barton, before moving forward with the fix. If approved, Leighow will implement the plan and Drew will witness the installation. Temporary measures will be taken for now to keep the water off the road as much as possible, with a permanent fix but will fix it in the spring.

Lloyd is going to run a camera out a pipe that runs under Eyer Road, to see what condition it's in and will get with PennDOT to discuss fixing it.

Chairman Lynn said they had no executive sessions since the last meeting, just a Special Meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> to tentatively adopt the budget.

Chairman Lynn asked if anyone had new business questions: No comment.

Chairman Lynn said the Leaf Collection started Tuesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. Last pick-up date will be Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. Details are available on the website.

Supervisor Whelan reminded residents that drainage ditches are not depository places for leaves. Please bag them and call JDOG for pick-up.

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

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

Supervisor Roberson motioned to adjourn. Supervisor Whelan seconded. Motion passed.

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

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Carolyn Dragano, Secretary