

**February 26, 2024, Meeting Minutes- held at the Mahoning Township Building, 849 Bloom Road, Danville, PA, at 5:30pm**

**Members of the Board present:** Chairman Bill Lynn, Vice-Chairman John Whelan, Supervisor's Glen Cromley, Kyle Yeager, Andy Lysiak, Zoning Officer Dean VonBlohn, DSI Lead Lloyd Craig, Secretary Carolyn Dragano, Attorney Noah Roux, Fire Chief Rick Spotts, Police Chief Fred Dyroff

**Also present:** Geri Gibbons & Drew Mumich from Press Enterprise, Val Tanner, Nancy Whelan, Anna Wiest from Danville News, Linda Rea, Rita Roberts, Henry Eyer, Bob & Patricia Swanson, Rebecca Dressler

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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 Fred Dyroff discussed:**

Chief Dyroff said the officers are making a lot of traffic stops, to try to slow the speed down in the township.

**Treasurer Ken Houck was not available.**

**Engineer Drew Barton was not available.**

**Attorney Noah Roux spoke on behalf of Solicitor Jonathan DeWald and had nothing to report.**

**Zoning Officer Dean VonBlohn had nothing to report.**

**DSI Lead Lloyd Craig gave his report and discussed:**

Lloyd asked the board to approve moving forward working with the PennDOT representative to start the paving process. The board approved. If everything goes as planned for the advertising, he plans to open the bids at the last meeting in March.

**Fire Chief Rick Spotts gave his report.**

**Unfinished business:**

Supervisor Whelan said since the plotter was just fixed and isn't worth anything, instead of selling and leasing, we will just hang on to it until breaks and then we will consider leasing.

Supervisor Whelan said we will continue having the meetings twice a month for the rest of the year, however, we may or may not have representation from the solicitor and engineer. We may also cancel meetings when we have nothing to discuss. Whelan reminded residents to sign up for email blasts so they will know ahead of time of meetings cancelations and upcoming events/happenings.

Supervisor Whelan briefly discussed the vulture issue and said if we eliminate the food source, the vultures will go away. He said if it continues, we will contact the US Dept. of Agriculture and hopefully they will trap and remove them but since they are protected, there is not much more we can do. Resident Bob Swanson said he saw a green tag on one of them.

**Chairman's Report on Executive Sessions Held Prior to Meeting:**

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

Supervisors Whelan and Lynn briefly discussed the letters received from Veolia concerning the proposed rate increases. Whelan said they contacted Senator Culver & Representative Stender to discuss our concerns and will file a complaint as soon as Veolia's request has been docketed. They encouraged the residents to also reach out to the PUC.

Supervisor Whelan discussed amending the ordinance, enacted in 1985, that established how supervisors are compensated. Right now, the ordinance states that each supervisor gets \$50 per meeting. If amended, we will follow the Second-Class Township Code (Act 65), not to exceed the cap of \$1875. The board approved moving forward with advertising.

**New Business:**

Supervisor Whelan said Dumpster Day will most likely be in August but will announce the date as soon as we secure a site.

Supervisor Lynn said the township is considering having an electronic recycling day, but nothing is firm.

The supervisors thanked Press Enterprise reporter Geri Gibbons for her service and wished her well on her new endeavors. They also welcomed her replacement, Drew Mumich.

**Reminders:** None

**Public comment not related to new business:** **None.**

**Supervisor Cromley motioned to pay the bills. Supervisor Lysiak seconded. Motion passed.**

**Supervisor Cromley 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