

March 11, 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 Officers Dean VonBlohn & Jim Dragano, DSI Lead Lloyd Craig, Secretary Carolyn Dragano, Solicitor Jonathan DeWald, Police Chief Fred Dyroff

Also present: Drew Mumich from Press Enterprise, Rita Roberts, Nancy Whelan, Anna Wiest from Danville News, Linda Rea, Henry Eyer & Henry Eyer, Jr., Bob Swanson, Tom Conlin, Chris Hall.

ALL VOTING WILL BE CONSIDERED UNANIMOUS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

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 gave his report and discussed:

Chief Dyroff discussed the training his officers attended since the last meeting.

Chief Dyroff said his department will be participating in the statewide Aggressive Driving Enforcement campaign between March 18 – April 28. They will be teaming up with PA State Police for targeted enforcement within the township.

Chief Dyroff asked the board to approve the sale of firearms that have been in possession of the dept. for many years. National Range & Armory provided a quote for \$3,070 for 22 firearms. He said most of them are in poor condition and will be used for parts. **Supervisor Whelan motioned to approve the sale of the firearms for \$3,070. Supervisor Yeager seconded. Motion passed.**

Treasurer Ken Houck was not available.

Engineer Drew Barton was not available.

Solicitor Jonathan DeWald discussed:

Solicitor DeWald briefly discussed Ordinance 2024-0311, amending compensation for the supervisors to follow what the 2nd class township code says, instead of per meeting. This was advertised and is now ready for approval. **Supervisor Whelan motioned to adopt Ordinance 2024-0311. Supervisor Cromley seconded. Motion passed.**

A brief discussion was held concerning the townships' interest in the possibility of adopting a Noise Ordinance, due to complaints of early trash pick-up, fireworks, loud music, and animals. Solicitor DeWald will draft something for the next meeting for the supervisor's review.

Zoning Officer Dean VonBlohn:

Dean said a few single-family home dwellings will be built on Sidler Hill.

Supervisor Whelan said that just because zoning says there is nothing to report at a meeting doesn't mean things aren't happening. There are a lot of projects going on in the township, just nothing that needs action to be taken.

DSI Lead Lloyd Craig gave his report and discussed:

Street sweeping quotes were emailed and the lowest quote is from Don Bower for \$182.50 per hour, which is \$11.50 cheaper than the quote from RC Young. Lloyd said it should start the last week in March or first week in April and said the dates will be posted on the website. **Supervisor Whelan motioned to approve Don E. Bower for \$182.50/hour, for street sweeping. Supervisor Lynn seconded. Motion passed.**

Lloyd said the paving bid dates were advertised and are scheduled to be opened at the next meeting, on Monday, March 25th.

Supervisor Whelan gave the Fire Chief Rick Spotts report as he was not available.

Unfinished business:

A brief discussion was held concerning the complaint letter the supervisors will be sending to the PUC, now that it's docketed, in response to Veolia's proposed water and sewer rate increases. They encouraged residents to also register a complaint. A copy of the letter will be posted on the website.

Resident Rita Roberts expressed concerns about the residents on Sidler Hill not getting the rate increase letters.

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

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

New Business:

Supervisors Whelan motioned to approve the supervisor's February minutes. Supervisor Cromley seconded. Motion passed.

Chairman Lynn briefly discussed the spring yard waste pick-up that will start in April through September, for \$4,800. **Supervisor Whelan motioned to approve JDOG for Yard waste pick-up starting April 16th, for \$4,800. Supervisor Yeager seconded. Motion passed.** This information will also be on our website tomorrow.

Supervisor Lynn motioned to send a letter of complaint to Veolia concerning the rate increase. Supervisor Whelan seconded. Motion passed.

Reminders: None

Public comment not related to new business:

Supervisor Cromley gave a special thank you to the neighbors of the residents that had the structure fire. He said some of the neighbors provided assistance (water and food) to the residents who lost their home as well as the first responders.

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

Supervisor Cromley motioned to adjourn. Supervisor Lysiak 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