

VALLEY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

January 7, 2019

Attendance:

Chairman Gary Derr, Vice-Chairman Walt Rupert, Supervisor Mike Kull, Zoning Officer Fred Shappell & Secretary, Judy Achy. Public was represented by David Fox, John Fenstermacher, tax collector Cindy Holdren, Jim Cunfer and Karen Blackledge of the Danville News.

Call to Order:

Chairman Gary Derr called the meeting to order @ 5:20 p.m. following the Organizational Meeting with all in attendance reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of 12/12/18 as well as the financial statement made by Walt, 2nd by Mike and motion carried unanimously.

Citizens' Comments: Jim Confer came to the township requesting that that the road crew check into the problem with the water maintenance in the very small stream that runs along Brookside Road. He has tried his best to keep the debris out of that small run but there is no pitch whatsoever and unfortunately it backs up into his yard which then causes water issues to the basement. He was wondering if piping could be considered for that area and he would be most happy to increase the pitch of his own yard if that would help the issue. The supervisors promised him that they would look into this but could not promise any resolution.

Reports:

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Fire Department –Chief Mike Kull reported that there were 7 incidents during the month of December with 6 MVA and one authorized controlled burning.

(2)

Planning Commission – Mike reported that at the Planning Commission Meeting on 1-2-19, the Commission had their Organizational Meeting and Craig Welliver is now Chair with Jon Wetzel as Vice-Chair.

(3)

Solicitor – ***Motion by Mike to approve Resolution #1 of 2019 establishing a schedule of attorney fees with Hummel, Lewis and Smith, 2nd by Gary and motion approved with Walt abstaining.***

(4)

Zoning Officer – Zoning Officer Fred Shappell reported that his only action during the month of December was the zoning change hearing held on 12/12/18 in addition to multiple telephone calls.

(5)

Municipal Authority – John Fenstermacher reported that some outstanding bills were collected.

(6)

Road Foreman/Equipment Report – Gary Derr reported that it appears that the brain went out of the wood chipper. ***Motion was made by Mike, 2nd by Walt to place advertisement for a used tractor and motion approved unanimously.*** Advertisement will be placed asking for bids to be opened at the February 13th meeting.

(7)

SEO – ***Motion by Mike, 2nd by Walt to adopt the 2019 SEO fee schedule and motion approved unanimously***

Old Business: Cindy Holdren was back to ask about the Resolution adopting the tax collector fees which she had requested at the November, 2018 meeting. Unfortunately per Valley Township Solicitor Jack Mihalik, he indicated that it is fine for the tax collector to have these additional fees but unfortunately, the tax collector must be paid by the treasurer who can collect the money from the taxpayer for the extra services and then pay the tax collector for the extra work. ***Motion by Mike to approve the Resolution, 2nd by Walt and motion passed unanimously.*** Cindy will update the resolution for the supervisors to sign at the February 13th meeting.

New Business: No other new business offered.

Approval of Bills: ***Motion by Walt, 2nd by Mike to ratify the bills and motion passed unanimously.***

Adjournment: ***Motion by Mike to adjourn at 6:05, 2nd by Gary and motion passed unanimously.***

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Achy, Valley Township Secretary