

VALLEY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

Jan. 02, 2024

Attendance:

Chairman Gary Derr, Vice Chairman Walt Rupert, Supervisor Larry Blosky, Zoning Officer Fred Shappell, Secretaries Judy Achy/Joan Styer. Fire Chief Matt Gum. Public was represented by Dave Fox.

Call to Order:

Chairman Gary Derr called the meeting to order @7:30 with all in attendance reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of December 13, 2023, made by Larry, 2nd by Walt and motion carried unanimously.

Citizens' Comments: No citizen comments noted.

Reports:

(1)

Fire Department-Per Matt Gum, Fire Chief, there were 7 incidences during the month of December, YTD 146. Average on scene time 36 minutes. Fire Chief report attached. The water heater receipt will be submitted as soon as it is available.

(2)

Planning Commission-Per Zoning Officer, Fred Shappell, Solicitor Rob Davidson email regarding conditional use hearing, Fred and Walt reviewed, signed, 21 points on conditional use. Copies to Fred and copy to secretary to place on file.

(3)

Solicitor-Nothing to report from Solicitor.

(4)

Zoning Officer-There were 2 permits granted during the month of December. One residential and one other (First Baptist Church fireworks) permit. Fred was able to obtain funds of \$3,990 from the engineer. Letter from Armory for rezoning pd \$500 check, no application, letter acts as petition. Zoning Hearing to be held February 14, 2024 @6pm. Two postings need to be published in newspaper, 23 property owners need to be notified by first class mail, township building property posted. The secretary will contact the stenographer.

(5)

Municipal Authority- Modified agreement executed. Danville has taken over as lease agreement 1-1-2024, working out financial agreements, Danville will handle as they own it, any problems Danville will take care of. Online payments accepted and usage alerts can be set up. Move forward to sign agreement-addendum Rob wrote up operational agreement, sales agreement/amendment.

(6)

Road Foreman/Equipment Report- Gary reported equipment is up and running fine. Snow equipment good. No issues.

(7)

SEO- Discharge substance onto Garman Road location. SEO is reporting no evidence of problem/issue.

Old Business: Comprehensive Plan and MS4. Walt is working with DEP. Two separate reports-copied, posted reports are based in Lycoming County. Inconsistencies in reporting-contacts are in Lycoming County. DEP/Walt are making changes to more of a minimalist route. Bio-swale was a failure. Mission is to get report in, time will then stop, however corrections will likely need to be made. This will consume some time. Walt reports pollution reduction plan is being followed. Todd, the engineer that was working on this project, quit unannounced.

Approval of 2024 Budget

Motion made by Walt, 2nd by Gary to approve the 2024 budget and motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Laptop and Printer for Township Secretary

Motion made by Larry, 2nd by Gary to purchase laptop and printer not to exceed \$900, and motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

- New engineer McTish/Kunkle & Associates, Senior Project Manager, Primary Engineer, Christine M Troxell. (McTish, Kunkle & Associates is now CDR Maguire Engineering)
- Resolution for Hummel, Lewis, and Davidson was signed, copied, and returned, copy on file.
- Document signed for Herring, Roll, and Solomon, public accountants/auditors, copied, and returned, copy kept on file.
- Joan and Larry to PSATS in April/registration opens in January 2024.

Approval of Bills: Motion made by Larry 2nd by Gary to ratify the payment of Bills and motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment:

Motion by Larry, 2nd by Gary to adjourn @8:25pm and motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Styer
Valley Township Secretary