

MEMBERS PRESENT

EDWARD BARZESKI
ROY SHAFFER
ROBERT AMISTADI
PAUL PIOLI
SCOTT HUNT

OTHERS PRESENT

ROBERT SHAHADE - SOLICITOR
KEN MESKO - ENGINEER
GARY SERBALL - ROAD SUPERVISOR
POLICE CHIEF DON HESS
MARY KAY MAHER-TWP SECRETARY

OTHERS: Tom Goughnour, Sally Goughnour, Karen Howell, David Fetsko, Barbara Connor, Skip Sekerski, Pat Costlow, Gary Selders

CHAIRMAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCED THAT THE PREVIOUS MEETING ADJOURNED INTO AN EXECUTIVE SESSION. NO DECISIONS WERE MADE.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JULY 20, 2017

Scott moved, Roy seconded to approve the minutes as submitted. MOTION CARRIED 5/0

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

TOM GOUGHNOUR, 7 JEFFERSON ST. – STORM WATER

Mr. Goughnour thanked the Board for the work that is starting in Buhl Alley for the storm water. He expressed thanks on behalf of the residents on Jefferson Street for this work.

GARY SELDERS-627 PALLISER STREET – STREET REPAIRS

Mr. Selders stated the Board had helped him doing street repairs approx. five years ago on Palliser Street. Millings had been put down on the street then it was tar and chipped. At this point, the tar and chips are gone. The potholes that began appearing have been patched. He commended the Road Department for doing an excellent job. He pointed out that there is no proper water drainage on the road and he invited the Board to sit on his front porch during a rain event to observe where the water goes. The water is washing dirt and debris down which he has been trying to clean up himself. Chairman noted the Road Dept. cannot take on anymore storm water projects this year as they are trying to finish this years' jobs. The Board will make a note of it to review the situation in the coming spring.

KAREN HOWELL-CHIEF DAY-COMMUNITY DAYS-SEPT. 9TH

Mrs. Howell addressed the Board stating this is the last meeting before the upcoming Community Days scheduled for Sept. 9th. She reviewed the list of events, activities and donations that will be occurring on Sept. 9th by various organizations, groups and individuals that have been confirmed. There are several other events that have yet to commit for this day. She stated there will be a helicopter present that will use HGA grounds as there are too many electrical lines around the municipal building to use the parking lot. A volunteer DJ will be playing music for the event. She asked permission to use the outside electrical outlet for any electric service needed. Board was unanimous to allow its use. The Cambria County SERT Team will also be present. Representative Frank Burns will attend with information on Senior Care and bicycle safety. The local Boy Scouts will do the opening ceremony. Judge Norman Krumenacker will be present on behalf of the Cambria County Youth Fair. There will also be a demonstration on impaired driving with Go-carts, but participants must have a valid driver's license to use the carts. She invited the Board to attend on this special day.

PAT COSTLOW-560 MELANDER ST. – WATER RUNOFF

Gary informed Mr. Costlow the Township will be milling his street as a temporary fix down to his yard. It will be milled to help direct the storm water and the Road Department will repair the catch grate for this year. The Road Department can't get to any more jobs this year. Gary stated this surface water is coming from a spring and informed Mr. Costlow the Road Department will install another catch grate next year.

GARY SELDERS-627 PALLISER STREET – STOP SIGNS

Mr. Selders inquired if stop signs could be installed on Palliser Street to reduce the speeding. Also, there are street signs that need to be installed that are missing. Chief Hess will look into the speeding on Palliser. Mr. Selders also stated there are large hedges or arborvitaes growing at the lower end of Susquehanna Street as you enter the Allegheny Lutheran Home property. They are obscuring the vision of motorists as they travel this area.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS – SECRETARY'S, INCOME, PAYROLL, FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Bob moved, Paul seconded to approve the reports as submitted. MOTION CARRIED 5/0

APPROVAL OF GENERAL FUND BILLS - \$55,723.46

Roy moved, Paul seconded to approve the general fund bills in the amount of \$55,723.46.
ROLL CALL VOTE: Roy-aye, Ed-aye, Bob-aye, Paul-aye, Scott-aye MOTION CARRIED 5/0

APPROVAL OF OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES - \$71,687.10

Scott moved, Paul seconded to approve the Other Fund Expenditures in the amount of \$71,687.10. ROLL CALL VOTE: Scott-aye, Paul-aye, Bob-aye, Ed-aye, Roy-aye MOTION CARRIED 5/0

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2017 ROAD PROGRAM

Two contracts were advertised. One for paving and one for seal coating. Bids were received up to 3:00 p.m. August 17, 2017. Only one bid was received for each contract.

CONTRACT 2017-01 PAVING CONTRACT	QUAKER SALES, JOHNSTOWN	\$310,666.85
CONTRACT 2017-02 SEAL COATING	QUAKER SALES, JOHNSTOWN	\$ 56,702.55

Discussion ensued on the bids received and the type of work to be done for each. Seal Coating is specified for a double seal coat with cleanup of excess chips as part of the contract requirements. Tom Goughnour inquired if Jefferson Street will be milled. It is listed to be milled in the paving contract No. 01. Mr. Goughnour informed the Board in the last fifteen years, Jefferson Street had been paved three times overtop the previous paving. It was never milled before and the street is now over the curbing.

Paul moved, Bob seconded to award Contract 2017-01 Paving Contract to Quaker Sales of Johnstown for their submitted bid of \$310,666.85. MOTION CARRIED 4/0/1 with Scott abstaining

Ed moved, Roy seconded to award Contract 2017-02 Seal Coating Contract to Quaker Sales of Johnstown for their submitted bid of \$56,702.55. MOTION CARRIED 4/0/1 with Scott abstaining

SELL STREET STORM SEWER PROJECT - UPDATE

Ken stated Snyder Excavation had a problem ordering some of his materials which he is still waiting on. As soon as it arrives, he will be starting the project. Chairman stated any future contracts that the Township issues will have a deadline on it that the project must be started in "X" number of days. Ed stated this contract is running three months behind schedule.

GIANT EAGLE STORM WATER MAINTENANCE

Ken reported that after the last Township meeting, Giant Eagle has come into compliance with the mowing and cutting of the weeds. The problem was the land is owned by Donna Gillin who was out of town and could not be reached. They had to get her permission before the work could be done. Ken stated he will continue to follow up on this issue. The area is to be maintained/mowed 3-4 times a year for proper maintenance. He noted if they would plant crown vetch the weeds would be kept down and the crown vetch only grown 2-3 inches in height to maintain. Paul noted the last time they cut down the weeds, the weeds were not cleaned up but left where they fell. This cut material would cause a blockage when the next rain comes.

EASEMENT – BERKLEY ROAD – EMERGENCY REPAIRS

Solicitor produced an easement for execution by the Chairman and Secretary for the Emergency Repair work to be done on the property at 209 Berkley Road by Snyder Excavating. This action was approved by the Board at a previous Township meeting. The easement is a permanent easement for ingress and egress onto the property.

GRANT APPLICATION-ELIM PLAYGROUND

Ken reported that he and Scott are working with John Dubansky of the County to apply for grants for the Elim Street playground's development. They are also entertaining a grant for improvements to be done on the Ridge and are investigating if it would be feasible to apply for two grants at the same time. They do not want to jeopardize one or the other grant if it is not possible to apply for both at the same time.

CORRESPONDENCE

AFSCME NEGOTIATION MEETING

Scott moved, Bob seconded to ratify the AFSCME negotiation meeting of August 14, 2017 that was held at the Township Municipal Building. MOTION CARRIED 5/0

434 TIFFANY STREET – LIEN

The residence at 434 Tiffany Street was demolished due to safety factors. The cost of the demolition and unpaid garbage/recycling charges were itemized which amounted to \$5,850.82.

Roy moved, Bob seconded to file a municipal lien against the property for the charges of demolition and delinquent garbage/recycling charges amounting to \$5,850.82. MOTION CARRIED 5/0

NEW BUSINESS

SUNRAY DRIVE RENTAL SUITE

Paul moved, Bob seconded to obtain the services of a Real Estate Agent to assist in the search for a tenant for Suite 2 of the Sunray Municipal Building. MOTION CARRIED 5/0

ELIM STREET DEMOLITION-FINAL PAYMENT

Roaring Fork Excavating has submitted his invoice for the final payment on the demolition of the Elim Street building. All work has been completed and backfilled.

Ed moved, Bob seconded to release the final payment of \$8,680.00 to Roaring Fork Excavating for the demolition of the Elim St. building. MOTION CARRIED 5/0

GARBAGE EXONERATION REQUEST – 556 GOUCHER ST. APT. 1

A request was received from Dr. Richard Kastelic, owner of 556 Goucher Street for Apartment 1 to be exonerated from the annual garbage/recycling collection fees as he does not plan on renting out this unit and deemed it unfeasible to rent. Chief Hess inspected the apartment and reported that it was unoccupied.

Roy moved, Ed seconded to exonerate 556 Goucher Street Apartment 1 for the year 2017 only. Dr. Kastelic is to request an exoneration each year as an annual charge will be assessed each year. MOTION CARRIED 5/0

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

KAREN HOWELL informed the Board that Roaring Fork Excavating did an excellent job in the Elim Street demolition and cleaned up all the debris in the area.

CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCED THE BOARD AND SOLICITOR WILL ADJOURN INTO AN EXECUTIVE SESSION NOT TO RECONVENE.

Motion by Ed, seconded by Bob. MOTION CARRIED 5/0

ADJOURNED 7:30 P.M

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kay Maher

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Twp. Secretary

**THE NEXT SUPERVISORS MEETING
WILL BE HELD AT THE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING,
SEPT. 21, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M.**