

NEW SEWICKLEY TOWNSHIP

Supervisor's Meeting

June 7, 2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors, held at 233 Miller Road, was called to order by Chairman Greg Happ at 6:30 p.m. Present were Vice-Chairman Doug Martin, Supervisors Fritz Retsch, Mike Phipps and Martin Bonzo.

Also, present were Manager Brian O'Malley, Treasurer Nicole Liston, Secretary Lawrie Borgman, Police Chief Ron Leindecker, Road Foreman RJ Kraus, Township Solicitor Chris Reese, Township Engineer Kevin Brett, Brian Perry, Duane Rape, Jenny Fessler, David Bauman, Patty Pfaff, Mike Priolo, Jim Hendrickson, Lou Delebosich, Mike Loschinsky, Steve Wortmann, Elois Nadzak, Patti Gerhard, Larry Hough and Laura Dengel

AMENDMENT TO AGENDA

Motion by Happ to amend the agenda to include putting the Township road line painting out to bid and to give approval to the Township Manager to accept the low bidder with a not-to-exceed cost of \$16,000 under the Road Department section of the agenda, seconded by Retsch. Vote of 5-0 in favor.

MINUTES

Motion by Phipps to accept the May 3, 2022 meeting minutes as submitted, seconded by Retsch. Vote of 5-0 in favor.

BILLS

Motion by Phipps to pay the bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$256,440.58 and the Stormwater Fund in the amount of \$56,258.82, with the signing of checks following the meeting, seconded by Retsch. Vote of 5-0 in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS PATTI GERHARD

Patti Gerhard thanked the Township for the repair work done on Lovi Rd and Rt 989.

Ms. Gerhard asked how to request repair work for damage done to landscaping by the snow plows. Manager O'Malley stated he will respond to the letter that was sent.

She then asked what the road repair schedule is and how to get on the schedule. Chairman Happ stated the Township roads are repaired on a rotating schedule.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - MS4 SUPERVISOR PHIPPS

Supervisor Phipps asked about the DEP inspection on the Township MS4 program. Manager O'Malley stated the DEP is scheduled to inspect the Township MS4 records next week. He added that the pollution reduction plan at Green Valley Park is going well.

TREASURERS REPORT

Treasurer Nicole Liston read the May monthly Treasurer's Report.

**RATIFY RESOLUTION 14-22
FOR THE WATERSHED
RESTORATION AND PROTECTION
PROGRAM GRANT**

Motion by Martin to ratify Resolution 14-22 for the Watershed Restoration and Protection Program Grant, seconded by Bonzo. Vote of 5-0 in favor.

PURCHASING POLICY

Supervisor Martin stated he was asked to table the purchasing policy vote until next month.

**TAX EXONERATION
VETERAN JUDITH BOLLINGMO**

Motion by Bonzo to approve the tax exoneration for Veteran Judith Bollingmo, 108 Landwood Lane, Freedom, seconded by Happ. Vote of 5-0 in favor.

**TAX EXONERATION
VETERAN MARY HERZOG**

Motion by Bonzo to approve the tax exoneration for Veteran Mary Herzog, 550 Baker Road, Freedom, seconded by Phipps. Vote of 5-0 in favor.

**TAX EXONERATION
VETERAN DENNIS LINT**

Motion by Bonzo to approve the tax exoneration for Veteran Dennis Lint, 122 Carriage Dr, Freedom, seconded by Phipps. Vote of 5-0 in favor.

**TAX EXONERATION
195 BROWN RD, NEW BRIGHTON
PARCEL #69-003-1815**

Motion by Bonzo to approve the tax exoneration in the amount of \$56.31 for 195 Brown Road, New Brighton parcel #69-003-1815 for Thayne Baran to purchase from the Repository of Unsold Properties, seconded by Martin. Vote of 5-0 in favor.

**POLICE
MONTHLY REPORT**

Chief Leindecker read the May monthly reports for New Sewickley and Marion Townships, which included: accidents, arrest/bookings, calls for service, citations and incidents.

Chairman Happ stated Chief Leindecker had received a letter from Marion Township thanking the New Sewickley Township Police Department for their assistance on a call and specifically thanked Officers Fuchs and Lizzi for going above and beyond to help. Chairman Happ thanked Chief Leindecker and asked them to be safe.

PINE RUN FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mike Priolo read the May monthly report submitted to the Board of Supervisor.

Chairman Happ complimented Pine Run on the very nice open house and a job well done with the new station.

BIG KNOB FIRE DEPARTMENT

Brian Perry stated the Chief was away and will submit the report when he returns.

Chairman Happ thanked both fire departments for their assistance at the fire of a garage belonging to the Township Emergency Coordinator.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT
MONTHLY REPORT**

The May monthly report was submitted.

Chairman Happ asked the public to be cautious as the Road Crew has been tarring and chipping the roads.

**ROADS
AUTHORIZE TOWNSHIP MANAGER
SIGNING AUTHORITY ON THE
WESBANCO LOAN**

Motion by Bonzo to authorize the Township Manager signing authority on the WesBanco loan for the boom mower and tractor, seconded by Phipps.

Supervisor Martin inquired as to the rate on the loan. Manager O'Malley stated the rate is 3.6%.

Vote of 5-0 in favor.

**ROADS
ACCEPT FINAL BID OFFER FOR
CASE 3230 TRACTOR AND
FLAIL MOWER ATTACHMENT**

Motion by Phipps to accept the final bid offer of \$15,900 for the CASE 3230 tractor and flail mower attachment on Municibid.com, seconded by Happ. Vote of 5-0 in favor.

**ROADS
TOWNSHIP ROAD STRIPING**

Chairman Happ stated this item was added to the agenda because the Road Crew was able to tar and chip the roads earlier this year and they need to be striped for safety reasons.

Motion by Happ to give the Township Manager authorization to bid out the Township road line painting and award to the lowest bidder with a cost not-to-exceed \$16,000, seconded by Bonzo. Vote of 5-0 in favor.

**ENGINEER
MONTHLY REPORT**

Kevin Brett of LSSE submitted the monthly report for May.

Mr. Brett also stated he would be providing the Board of Supervisors with the yearly MS4 training, as is required by the permit. He stated the audit would be next week. The current permit period will expire in 2023. There will be two yearly reports submitted prior to that time.

Supervisor Retsch asked when the DEP will begin fining those who aren't complying with the permits. Mr. Brett stated the DEP tries to help, but is placing fines on those who are non-compliant. Those fines are much higher than the cost of complying with the permits.

Laura Dengel asked if a letter was received from the Municipal Authority. Chairman Happ stated they had not received anything.

**PLANNING
LAND CONSOLIDATION PLAN
SANDY MAYER AKA FARICELLIA**

Motion by Phipps to approve the land consolidation plan for Sandy Mayer AKA Faricellia, 1525 Pine Run Road, seconded by Retsch. Vote of 5-0 in favor.

**RECREATION
MONTHLY REPORT**

Mike Loschinsky submitted the Recreation Board May monthly report. He reviewed the upcoming events at the Park.

**BUILDING & ZONING
MONTHLY REPORTS**

The Building and Zoning monthly reports were submitted.

BOARD COMMENTS

Supervisor Retsch stated he had attended the police memorial service in Beaver. There were 21 police/security officers killed in the State of PA in the last year.

Supervisor Retsch asked the residents to attend the concert series at Green Valley Park. He also indicated that the bathrooms were being vandalized and the Park Employee was having to clean them up.

Dave Bauman stated the Recreation Board is looking into cameras. Chief Leindecker stated he is looking into a grant and is working on Wi-Fi to the Park so the cameras will feed directly to the police station.

Supervisor Phipps stated Chief Leindecker received a grant to purchase a fuming chamber for fingerprinting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Retsch to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Happ. Vote of 5-0 in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully,

Lawrie J. Borgman
Secretary