

NEW SEWICKLEY TOWNSHIP

Supervisor's Meeting

May 7, 2019

Bank Balance 05/01/19	Receipts & Credits	Expenditures	BankBalance 05/31/19
\$1,502,087.48	\$270,928.76	\$256,265.88	\$1,516,750.36

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors, held at the Township Municipal Building, was called to order by Chairman Greg Happ at 6:30 P.M. Present were Supervisors Tom Applequist, Brian Giles and Fritz Retsch. Also present were Manager Walter Beighey Jr., Secretary Patricia Pfaff, Treasurer Elois Nadzak, Solicitor Chris Reese, Engineer Kevin Brett, Police Chief Ron Leindecker, Road Foreman Tom Milligan, Amy Gonzalez, Mark Harding, Mike Phipps, Albert E. Horn, Dan Swartz, Brian Perry, P.J. Moldovan, Austin J. Bailey, Larry Hough, Becky Kretschmann, Lisa Bauman, Bob Schwertz, Lorrie Schwertz, Jesse Dietrich and Buddy Meade

PLEDGE The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ABSENT Vice-Chairman Duane Rape

MINUTES Motion by Giles, seconded by Applequist, to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2019 regular meeting as written. Vote of 4 to 0 in favor.

BILLS Motion by Applequist, seconded by Retsch, to pay the bills from the General Account, April 3rd through April 30th for \$143,427.46 and as of May 7th for \$109,070.08 with the signing of the checks following the meeting. Vote of 4 to 0 in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERRY Brian Perry, Big Knob Fire Department, wanted it corrected that during last month's meeting a comment was made that the Township paid \$170,000.00 for a rescue tool for the fire department and that possibly there are grants available to purchase that type of equipment. Brian wanted it known that the Township did not purchase the rescue tool, that the fire department did and the cost was \$68,000.00 and paid from their general fund.

TREASURER'S REPORT Township Treasurer Elois Nadzak, read a Treasurer's report for the month of April.

APPOINT ENGINEER Motion by Happ, seconded by Retsch, to appoint Lennon, Smith, Souleret Engineering, Inc. as the Township's Engineering Firm with Kevin Brett as the Township's representative. Vote of 4 to 0 in favor.

AMPHI THEATER Manager Beighey advised on April 30, 2019 there was one bid submitted and opened from C. W. Smith for the construction of the Amphitheater in the amount of \$143,500.00.

Motion by Happ, seconded by Giles, to reject C. W. Smith's bid of \$143,500.00 and to re-advertise. Vote of 4 to 0 in favor.

- GREEN VALLEY** Manager Beighey reported that he spoke with Ryan Huff, engineer from the Turnpike Commission about the water runoff in Green Valley Park coming from the Turnpikes property. Mr. Huff wants the Township to sign an agreement to enter only from the park property. Manager Beighey said he needs to obtain more information and discuss the matter with the Township Engineer.
- GRANTS** Supervisor Applequist said he would like to form a grant writing committee to acquire ideas of what types of grants the Township should be applying for. It was the consensus that on Friday, office personnel, one road department employee, Mike Phipps and the Township Engineer will meet to start discussing Township needs.
- HIRING COMMITTEE** Supervisor Applequist also stated he would like to see a committee formed for hiring employees and professional services. Manager Beighey suggested that someone from the department that is being hired for should be involved. Supervisor Retsch advised he would like to be on the committee.
- ORD #214** Motion by Retsch, seconded by Applequist, to adopt Ordinance No. 214 amending Township Zoning Ordinance No. 208. Vote of 4 to 0 in favor.
- RES 05-19 ARMSTRONG** Motion by Happ, seconded by Applequist, to adopt Resolution No. 05-19 executing a Cable Television Franchise Agreement with Armstrong Utilities. Vote of 4 to 0 in favor.
- POLICE MEMORIAL** Chairman Happ announced that the annual Police Memorial will be held on May 17th at 9:30 am at the Beaver County Courthouse. Detective Greg Carney is to receive an award from the Women's Center on behalf of victims of sexual assault and Officer Tom Liberty is to receive the Guy Tyler Award.
- PART TIME SRO** Chief Leindecker advised Jeffrey Fuller, Superintendent of the Freedom Area School District, contacted him to discuss the addition of a School Resource Officer in the Middle and Elementary School. The officer(s) will work approximately 24 to 40 hours per week at a cost of \$23.00 per hour in 2019 and \$23.61 per hour in 2020. Chief said he would like to split the time between two of our part time officers.
- Motion by Retsch, seconded by Giles, to approve placing a part time School Resource Officer in the Freedom Middle and Elementary School. Vote of 4 to 0 in favor.
- POLICE MONTHLY RPT** Police Chief Ron Leindecker read the police department's monthly report for April 2019, which included the number of police calls vehicle maintenance, arrests and citations issued.
- FIRE DEPT** P.J. Moldovan from Big Knob Fire Department and Buddy Meade from Pine Run Fire Department read and submitted their written reports for the month of the April of all the calls they responded to.

P.J. reported on a training class sponsored by BKFD regarding Energy Transfer's pipeline explosion last fall in Center Township. Tim Firich, Center Township's EMA Coordinator talked on their experience and how and what was needed during the explosion.

Several Supervisors, Manager and police officers attended. Supervisor Retsch said it was a wakeup call and voiced his concern about all the pipelines throughout our Township. Supervisors Applequist commented that the Township needs to be prepared.

BITUMINIOUS MATERIALS The following bid was received and opened on April 30, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. for Bituminous Materials.

Vendor	19mm HMA Binder	9.5mm HMA Wearing
• Lindy Paving	\$51.49 per ton	\$58.47 per ton

Motion by Retsch, seconded by Happ, to accept Lindy Paving's bid for Bituminous Materials. Vote of 4 to 0 in favor.

ROAD INSPECTION It was the consensus that Road Foreman Tom Milligan, Supervisor Applequist and the Township Engineer complete the road inspection.

PAVING PROJECTS Road Foreman Tom Milligan submitted a list of Township Roads he plans to work on this year.

QUOTES Motion by Happ, seconded by Applequist, approving the Road Department to obtain quotes on a skid loader and excavator. Vote of 4 to 0 in favor.

SOLICITOR FIRE DEPT BILLING Solicitor Chris Reese submitted information for Fire and Rescue Services Billing Fees for our fire departments responding to accident scenes. Chris commented that if it was something the Township is interested in, it would make sense to pass an ordinance. He also said you can retain an outside agency to collect the fees. There was discussion about including all calls such as fire, alarms and hourly rates for firemen. Solicitor Reese advised he would research it further.

ENGINEER Engineer Kevin Brett reported on the following:

- He reviewed and signed the Modrak Subdivision Plan for recording
- He reviewed the Amy Nicely Plan of Lots and submitted comments
- He will be meeting with Lawnworks Barn (Chris Palmer) to discuss their proposed land development plan
- He will be meeting with the Township to discuss priority projects which grants can be submitted.

RECREATION Lisa Bauman Chairman for the Recreation Board reported on the following:

- They submitted their monthly financial report
- Movie Nights begin in the month of June
- Their latest Flea Market was a success

- The Recreation Board is looking for volunteers
- Beginning in May their meetings are held at the park
- Talked about Green Space tax for new development

PLANNING

Motion by Happ, seconded by Retsch, to approve the Amy Nicely Plan of Lots, 1300 Penn Avenue, contingent upon receiving approval for additional sewage lines from Rochester Joint Sewer Authority. Vote of 4 to 0 in favor.

ZONING

Supervisors received the building permit report for the month of April.

ADJOURN

Motion by Retsch, seconded by Giles, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M. Vote of 4 to 0 in favor.

Respectfully,

Patricia Pfaff
Secretary

