

NEW SEWICKLEY TOWNSHIP

Supervisor's Meeting

October 1, 2019

Bank Balance 10/01/19	Receipts & Credits	Expenditures	Bank Balance 10/31/19
\$1,051,311.37	\$215,652.98	\$364,044.52	\$902,919.83

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 Vice-Chairman Duane Rape and Supervisor Tom Applequist. 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, David Bauman, Lisa Bauman, Albert E. Horn, Dan Swartz, Lisa Lewis, Cody Bonzo, Savannah Barkley, P.J. Moldovan, Mike Phipps and Jen Fessler

PLEDGE The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ABSENT Supervisors Fritz Retsch and Brian Giles

MINUTES Motion by Applequist, seconded by Rape, to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2019 regular meeting as written. Vote of 3 to 0 in favor.

BILLS Motion by Happ, seconded by Applequist, to pay the bills from the General Account, September 4th through September 30th for \$135,518.93 and as of October 1st for \$244,343.05 with the signing of the checks following the meeting. Vote of 3 to 0 in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT FESSLER Jen Fessler, 639 Landis Road, informed the Board, that Cranberry Township will be hosting an Open House Stormwater Fee Program on Wednesday, October 9th from 4:00 - 7:00 PM at their Municipal Center

Jen also asked the Supervisors if the Road Department would assist the baseball association in cutting the side grass along the Pony field fence. Road Foreman advised he would look into the matter.

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

STORMWATER The Board members received a second request from the Planning Commission asking that they reconsider approving the Township Engineer to move forward with a Stormwater Service Fee Analysis Report prior to the public meeting on February 24, 2020 at the Big Knob Grange. Supervisor Rape said he thinks the approval should be done after the public meeting. He said the engineer would only be able to give a rough estimate of what the fee would be for the residents. Planning Commission members, Albert Horn and Mike Phipps, reiterated that it should be done before the public meeting. Engineer Kevin Brett explained the procedure in completing the report and needing it available for the public meeting. Supervisor Applequist said he does not want to wait until after the public meeting, he feels it should be done now.

Motion by Applequist, seconded by Happ, to authorize the engineer to move forward with preparing the Stormwater Service Fee Analysis Report at a cost of \$17,500.00. Vote of 2 to 1 in favor. Rape voting NO.

MMO Motion by Rape, seconded by Applequist, to accept the 2020 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Township pension funds. Vote of 3 to 0 in favor.

WORKSHOP The Supervisors were reminded of the Workshop scheduled for October 22nd to discuss the 2020 budget. Manager Beighey advised he submitted a proposed budget to the Board, but still needs amounts that will be placed in a Capital Reserve Fund and what it would be used for.

HIRE BARKLEY Motion by Happ, seconded by Rape, to hire Savannah Barkley, as part time administrative assistant starting at \$12.00 per hour. Savannah will replace Tracy Boyer who resigned on September 26th. Vote of 3 to 0 in favor.

POLICE RESIGNATION Motion by Rape, seconded by Happ, to accept the resignation of part time police officer John Deluca. Vote of 3 to 0 in favor.

HIRE Motion by Happ, seconded by Rape, to approve the hiring of two part time police officers. Vote of 3 to 0 in favor.

MARION TWP. MOU Motion by Happ, seconded by Applequist, to approve and sign a Memorandum of Understanding between New Sewickley Township and Marion Township for Police Services for a six-month trial period. The Memorandum includes Marion Township paying New Sewickley Township \$2,083.33 per month for providing police services. All fines from any arrest made by a New Sewickley Township Police Officer will come to New Sewickley Township. Vote of 3 to 0 in favor.

YEARLY RPT SRO The Supervisors received an annual report from School Resource Officer Tom Liberty for the year 2018-2019.

MONTHLY RPT Police Chief Ron Leindecker read the police department's monthly report for September 2019, which included the number of police calls vehicle maintenance, arrests and citations issued.

HALLOWEEN Motion by Happ, seconded by Rape, to set Halloween throughout the Township on October 31st from 6 pm to 8 pm. Vote of 3 to 0 in favor.

BKFD PRFD The Supervisors received copies of Pine Run and Big Knob Fire Departments monthly report for September which included all the calls they responded to.

MONTHLY RPT ROAD DEPT Road Foreman, Tom Milligan, read his department's monthly report for September, that included projects they completed and are currently working on.

TRUCK Tom updated the Board members on the status of the new truck. He said it doesn't look like the Township will have it before December.

- SEMINAR** Motion by Rape, seconded by Applequist to approve R. J. Kraus, Equipment Operator, to attend a seminar on October 23 & 24th for Dirt, Gravel and Low Volume Roads. Vote of 3 to 0 in favor.
- INFORMATION** Foreman Tom Milligan advised that he will not be retiring next February, but he will be stepping down from the position of Road Foreman. He said he would like to see R. J. Kraus take over the position.
- ENGINEER** Engineer Kevin Brett reported on the following tasks performed by their office during the month of September.
- Reviewed and submitted comments on Energy Transfer Pike Compressor Station Control Building
 - Reviewed and submitted comments on the Wrobel-Burkhart Plan of Lots
 - Reviewed and submitted comments on both the Subdivision Plan and the Land Development Plan for the Palmer Barn Venue
 - Held a grant committee meeting on September 19th. Budgeting for future projects was discussed. Provided the Township a draft of capital improvement project for 2020-2040
 - Provided a road study table to the Township
 - Received preliminary approval from the Turnpike Commission for the ditch. Kevin advised he will be meeting with them and is going to request a parking area. He submitted drawings for his proposal.
- GRANTS** Kevin advised that there are a couple grants available. One is a CFA grant for \$500,000.00 for utilities and stormwater. He said the applications fee is approximately \$500.00. He said there is also one for the Water Authority for infrastructure. Kevin advised that we need to have our State Representatives and Senator involved when applying.
- GP4 PERMIT** Motion by Happ, seconded by Applequist, to approve the engineer to apply to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) for a GP4 Permit not to exceed \$6,500.00 for stormwater pipe in Green Valley Park. Vote of 3 to 0 in favor.
- SOLICITOR** Solicitor Chris Reese advised he is still working on drafting an advertisement for the police pension.
- PLANNING WROBEL-BURKHART** Motion by Rape, seconded by Applequist, to approve the Wrobel-Burkhart Plan of Lots contingent upon favorable comments from the Beaver County Planning Commission and compliance with the engineer's comments. Vote of 3 to 0 in favor.
- RECREATION** Lisa Bauman, Representative of the Recreation Board reported on the following:
- They are continuing fundraising
 - Night at the Races will be held on October 5th at Conway Fire

Department

- Lisa invited the supervisors to attend their next meeting. She said representatives from the different associations will be attending to discuss the use of the park and responsibilities. She would like the Board there to hear the concerns
- Bob Meier will be resigning on October 5th. Walt advised he will ask Bob to come back and assist with the winterizing

Supervisor Happ stated that he spoke with Don Fessler from the baseball association and was told the baseball association will be installing new fencing that is needed in order to come into compliance with new guidelines. He said the cost of the fencing was \$8,000.00.

ZONING

The Supervisors received a copy of Septembers building report.

ADJOURN

Motion by Rape, seconded by Happ, to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Respectfully,

Patricia Pfaff
Secretary

