

Connellsville Township Supervisors
166 McCoy Hollow Road, Connellsville, PA 15425
Meeting Minutes February 13, 2020

- I. **Call to Order-** Chairman Miner called the monthly meeting to order on Thursday, February 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance-** led by Chairman Miner.
- III. **Roll Call-** The following persons were present- Chairman Todd Miner, Vice-Chairman Donald Hann, Supervisor Carson, Secretary Darla Hann and Solicitor Jack Purcell.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes-** A motion was made by Vice Chairman Hann to accept the regular & re-organization meeting minutes from January 6, 2020. Second by Supervisor Carson. All in favor. Motion carried.
- V. **Public participation-** John Basinger stated that there are overhanging tree limbs on the corner of Rockridge Road and Springfield Pike. Chairman Miner will contact PennDOT to address the issue.
- VI. **Secretary's Report-** Darla Hann stated that she had to delete the old Facebook account and now has to wait 30 days to start another one. The following yearly reports have been submitted: Survey of Financial Condition, Report of Elected and Appointed Officials, Muni Tax Information Form, Tax Receipts Form, Actual Use of State Funds Report, Floodplain Management Annual Report, Act 205 Non-Uniform Pension Report, Annual Recycling Report. Updates have been sent to Southwest Regional, Armstrong, and the 911 Center. The signed papers for the 902 Recycling Grant have been sent and we have been told it will take approximately 8 weeks to process the grant. Beginning the week of February 24th, 2020k, commercial trash collection will be picked up on Thursday instead of Friday. We will be receiving a credit in the amount of \$72.29 from PA One Call on our account.
- VII. **Treasurer's Report –** Darla Hann read the treasurer's reports and it is on file in the office. Motion by Supervisor Carson to accept the Treasurer's report. 2nd by Vice Chairman Hann. Motion by Supervisor Carson to accept the reconciliation of the bank statements for January 2020. Second by Vice Chairman Hann. All in favor, motion carried.
- VIII. **Authorization to pay bills-** Motion made by Supervisor Carson to authorize payment of the monthly bills. Second by Vice Chairman Hann. All in favor. Motion carried.
- IX. **Correspondence –** DCNR is accepting applications for grants until April 22, 2020 (Land conservation/watershed protection, parks & recreation). American Water is accepting applications for its' annual Environmental Grant Program.
- X. **Committee Reports-**
***Fire Dept.** – An ISO inspector checked the equipment, records and response time at the fire department. This is for insurance purposes and is done every 5 years. The fire department received a top rating. On February 26th (Ash

Wednesday) the fire department will hold its first fish fry for the Lenten season. They will continue every Friday through Lent from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm. (Eat in or take out). A hoagie sale will be held on February 29th.

***Emergency Management –**

***Roadmaster** – Read by Chairman Miner.

***Code Enforcement Officer** – Not available (sick). Chairman Miner said that violations have been sent out and that Josh is following up on them. Darla Hann stated that Advanced Disposal will be sending over a list of delinquent accounts.

***Supervisors – Vice Chairman Hann** – Getting questions about the trees that were not taken down on Francis Ave. Chairman Miner said that Asplundh is taking them down sometime this summer at no cost to the Township since they are in the wires. Vice Chairman Hann asked if we would be putting in sidewalks.

Supervisor Carson – Suggested that we apply for CDBG money to use for the sidewalks on Francis, and to get a copy of the grant that the City did and go by that.

Chairman Miner – Chairman Miner suggested getting a Farm Bureau Membership for the Township at a cost of \$72.00/year. We would save \$500 on a Ford Truck purchase and also be eligible for extra discounts. Supervisor Carson made a motion to join the Farm Bureau. Vice Chairman seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

XI. Unfinished Business –

XII. New Business – William Premus ran for auditor at the last election while already holding that position. He will now hold the longer term of 6 years. Supervisor Carson made a motion to appoint Tim Upton for a 2-year term as auditor and John Basinger to a 4-year term as auditor. Second by Vice Chairman Hann. All in favor, motion carried. The auditors will determine a date to meet and notify Darla so that it can be advertised. Chairman Miner discussed paving on Rock, Rockridge and Blake. All supervisors are in agreement with paving these roads. Stephanie Whitlatch from PennDOT will be coming down on Thursday, February 20th at 8:00 am to measure and gather information for this project. Chairman also stated that we have had several meetings with the engineers for the Dollar General coming to the Township and said they will be improving the drainage in the area they are building in. James Means, President of the County Supervisors Assoc. has asked that we send a letter to our Senator and Representatives opposing the Municipal Fee Proposal for Police coverage. Supervisor Carson made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-1 stating the Township is opposed to Governor Wolf's Municipal Fee Proposal for Police coverage. Second by Vice Chairman Hann. All in favor, motion carried. Darla Hann will write the letters. Chairman Miner asked that everyone look over the bids received for the garage. Supervisor Carson made a motion to contract with Jerry Pushkar for the heated floor and concrete in the garage and to contract with National Radiator and Boiler for the heating system. Second by Vice Chairman Hann. All in favor, motion carried.

XIII. Ordinances – It was decided not to advertise a Slot Machine Ordinance.

XIV. Resolutions –

XV. Adjournment- Motion by Supervisor Carson to adjourn. Second by Vice Chairman Hann. All in favor. Motion carried.

Submitted by: _____

Approved by: _____

Todd Miner, Chairman

Donald Hann, Vice Chairman

Robert Carson, Supervisor