

Connellsville Township Supervisors

166 McCoy Hollow Road, Connellsville, PA 15425 (held at 905 Fireman Road)

Meeting Minutes March 10, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Miner called the monthly meeting to order on Thursday, March 10, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

led by Chairman Miner.

ROLL CALL

The following persons were present: Supervisor Donald Hann, Chairman Miner, Vice Chairman Upton, Secretary Darla Hann and Solicitor Jack Purcell.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Supervisor Hann to accept the regular meeting minutes from February 10, 2022. Second by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Chris Teets purchased property in the Township and wanted to know the possibilities of having a Township Road extended or a paper alley closed. The Solicitor explained the process and suggested that meeting with his surveyor and going over the deed would be the way to start.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Secretary Darla Hann reported)

- * Steam Jenny is ordered/ received a letter stating cost increases and possible longer wait time. Vice Chairman spoke to a representative from Steam Jenny and it was decided to continue with the order.
- * Reminder: Financial Interest forms have to be returned by 5-1-22
- * Japanese Knotweed – the guys have worked on knocking it down so it is ready to have chemicals applied to kill it. Chairman Miner has a sample coming to try and Vice Chairman Upton has granules to try.
- * Accounts have been set up with Black Diamond and Fayette Rentals, should the need arise that we need to rent equipment.
- * Delinquent per capita taxes will be sent to SWRTB
- * Invited to LSA Grant Awards for 2021 on April 5th, 2022
- * Timing was changed on the traffic light at intersection of Blake and Rt. 119
- * Darla Hann suggested signage for their stating whether it is 1 lane or 2. Will look into.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Secretary Darla Hann reported)

Motion by Supervisor Hann to accept the treasurer's report for February Second by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

Motion made by Supervisor Hann to pay monthly bills. Second by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE – letter received from BTCTJSA addressing Beals Lane, KFC, and several other issues. Secretary will send to Solicitor to look over.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Dept. – Fish Fry on Friday's throughout Len from 11-2 and 4-7

Emergency Management

Code Enforcement Officer – read by Darla Hann – Board will talk to Mr. Brooks about Deligatti's

Roadmaster

* Report for the month was read by Chairman Miner and is on file in the office. Stated the employees attended flagger training and they are certified for 3 years.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS

Supervisor Hann – would like the Secretary to check and see if the residents at the end of Blake have a building permit.

Vice-Chairman Upton – Flail Mower – met with 4 Bros. Contracting to get the mileage on what needs cut in the Township and pricing. Motion by Chairman Miner to subcontract out to 4Bros. Contracting and to schedule times for them to cut at a cost of \$1600. 00, with the first cut being in May. The Township will provide a chase truck. 2nd by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Miner

* Spoke to Legislators about the prospect of taking away the fuel tax. As a supervisor he is concerned; it directly affects how much money Municipalities get from Liquid fuels. He was assured that it would not pass unless there is federal money to replace it.

*Stated we received letters of support for 2 of the grants we are applying for; the salt shed and making the firehall ADA assessable.

Unfinished Business

* Darla reported that there are still addressing issues on Springfield Pike/Pike Lane. Postmaster explained that letters to the residents were sent out April 30, 2021 to advise those residents affected of the change in their addresses. Solicitor suggested to have the Code Enforcement Officer check to see what addresses are posted on their properties currently and then to have him hand deliver letters from the Township advising them of the change and they have to comply.

NEW BUSINESS

* A motion by Chairman Miner to sell the Case Loader on Municibid or through an intergovernmental agreement to the city of Connellsville or the Borough of South Connellsville or jointly to South Connellsville Borough/Connellsville City for a price of \$12,500.00. 2nd by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried.

* Motion by Chairman Miner to have modifications done to the Township office building (removing wall between 2 meeting rooms, making 1 large room), to make the room more accommodating for meetings. Work to be done by PDK Construction at a cost of \$3975.00, to be paid out of Cares Act monies. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried.

* Darla stated that Robert Carson's name needs removed from the NW pension plan papers and that Vice Chairman Tim Upton's name needs added and he will need to sign.

* Motion by Chairman Miner to approve the draft of the 2021 Municipal Audit performed by Singer Accounting and to advertise completed audit; request 4 hard copies. 2nd by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried.

ORDINANCES

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2022-3 – Motion by Supervisor Hann to approve Resolution No. 2022-3, to apply for Statewide Local Share Assessment grants from the Commonwealth Financing Authority and pay the application fees to do so. The grants are as follows:

- 01.** New Salt Shed - \$48,334.73
- 02.** Fire Hall ADA Access and Parking Improvements - \$41,923.43
- 03.** Township Building Parking lot - \$33,228.32
- 04.** Francis Avenue Sidewalks - \$154,096.25
- 05.** Hawthorne Street Storm Sewer - \$234,046.79
- 06.** Sewer Extensions Act 537 Study - \$31,000.00

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Supervisor Hann to adjourn. Second by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.