WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

July 10, 2018

The Washington Township Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 10, 2018. Members present: Chairman, Donna Cooper, Vice-Chairman, Steve McClelland, Supervisor, Robert Hrin, Supervisor, Harold Wilson, and Supervisor, Robert Hetrick. Also present: Greg Kruk, Solicitor, Dan Whaling, Roadmaster and Sarah Anderson, Secretary. Visitors: Jerry Stormer, Jeff Miller, Steve Strouse, and Danielle Strouse.

Chairman, Donna Cooper opened the meeting at 7 PM with a pledge allegiance to the Flag.

OPEN TO THE FLOOR

Jeff Miller with Groff Tractor reminded the supervisors that it would be in their best interest to purchase a backhoe before October due to the new steel tariffs and the costar contracts renew at that time. The increase will probably be around 3-5%.

Steve and Danielle Strouse asked about the process of obtaining a variance. Their garage might be too close to their neighbor’s property and a variance might be a way to resolve the issue. However, they need to obtain a survey of their property first. Secretary, Sarah Anderson gave them a blank variance form.

MINUTES

On a MOTION by Robert Hetrick, a SECOND by Steve McClelland, all the board voting in favor, the minutes of the June 12, 2018, regular monthly meeting were approved as presented.

VOUCHERS AND PAYROLL

On a MOTION by Robert Hrin, a SECOND by Steve McClelland, all the board voting in favor, the vouchers due for payment and the payroll were approved.

TREASURER’S REPORT

On a MOTION by Robert Hrin, a SECOND by Robert Hetrick, all the board voting in favor, the Treasurer’s report was approved as presented.

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CORRESPONDENCE

1. General Code – Editor, Erin Wachtman, will send the updated organizational analysis to reflect the additional material next week.
2. The air conditioner was sold for $150.00.
3. Act 13 money was received. Total is $58,751.61.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

Solicitor, Greg Kruk, reported that Falls Creek Borough has decided not to adopt the DuBois City Act 537 plan. He read a letter from Falls Creek Borough’s lawyer which addressed DuBois City on the matter. He called Chris Nasuti at DuBois City to inform him that we are waiting for Falls Creek Borough before we adopt the plan and Mr. Nasuti was fine with it. Discussion was tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

On a MOTION by Robert Hetrick, a SECOND by Robert Hrin, all the board voting in favor, the St. Marys Lumber road bond release was approved.

Supervisor, Steve McClelland had a recent complaint from a resident concerned about holes appearing in their driveway due to blasting. He explained the holes are probably due to recent rains along with drainage problems.

OLD BUSINESS

The final Jefferson Co. Sewage Association meeting was held June 21, 2018. The association was closed out.

ROAD SUPERVISORS REPORT

Roadmaster, Dan Whaling, reported that the road crew has been busy filling pot holes. He is going to meet tomorrow with someone to discuss a dust suppressant. He is still waiting to test run one more backhoe. A John Deere should be available to try soon.

One day last month Midland Asphalt delivered the wrong oil and by the time Dan realized it the oil was already applied to the road. Midland will be giving us a price break for the mistake.

Supervisor, Robert Hetrick, suggested looking into “daylighting” some of the township roads if possible.

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Jim Schepis met with Dan recently to provide specs on paving Old Grade Road. The full length of the road would total $199,181.00.

OPEN TO THE FLOOR

Supervisor Harold Wilson, talked to Dave Tinker, SEO, about two rv’s located by the I-80 overpass. Mr. Tinker spoke to one of the rv owners about moving his. Supervisor, Robert Hetrick, will check to see if it has been moved.

Supervisor, Robert Hetrick, received a phone call about a resident burning shingles. He explained to the caller if this happens again, the State Police should be contacted. Supervisor, Donna Cooper, reminded everyone that DEP will not get involved in residential burning, only commercial.

Supervisor, Harold Wilson, reported about a building recently being constructed on Bushley Road. No permits were obtained for the construction. Dave Tinker, SEO, and Bill Kulbacki, building inspector, have been notified of the situation and all construction at this time has been halted.

ADJOURNMENT

On a MOTION by Steve McClelland, a SECOND by Robert Hrin, all the board voting in favor, as there was no further business or discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Anderson,

Secretary/Treasurer