

September 11, 2017

The regular meeting of the Mahoning Township Supervisors was held this evening at the Mahoning Township Municipal Building at 5:30 PM.

Members of the Board present:

Ken Woodruff, Chairman

Bill Lynn, Vice Chairman

T. S. Scott, Supervisor

Solicitor Ryan Tira

Zoning: Dean VonBlohn

Engineer: Drew Barton

Police Department Sean McGinley

Street Department, Lloyd Craig

Also attending were Joe Sylvester, Danville News, Chris Krepich, Press Enterprise, Marlene Gunther, Molly Shultz, Henry Eyer, Larry Robertson, Carolyn Facktor, Glen and Lori Cromley, Ross Peters, John and Nancy Whelan, Kathy Mordan, Laurie and Eric Newman, Crystal Dometria, and Stefanie Kocher. A few others from Woods and Welsh didn't sign in.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and the Chairman Woodruff asked for a moment of silence to remember the 9/11 victims and responders.

ALL VOTING WILL BE CONSIDERED UNANIMOUS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

Scott then notified those in attendance of the new video and audio recording set up and that each individual speaking should identify themselves.

Woodruff noted there were two executive sessions. The one held on August 25th was regarding the intern and the second was on September 5th was with PA DOT and SEDA Cog regarding grants.

The reports presented this evening were as follows:

ZONING REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 11, 2017.

Dean reports that his office and the Street Department are still answering stormwater complaints. On the books are: 56 Overlook but he has not visited that yet but should be done this week. Dealing with 116 Oak Street where the water ran in the basement. They made a couple of proposals to us about building a small retaining wall along the side of their property. We are checking on the right-of-way and will be taking care of it. We aren't sure how it's going to be handled. Ken Woodruff wants to be there when Dean goes up. He also reported working on the Woods of Welsh roads, core sampling, punch list and Red Lane intersection cross walk lights (Geisinger).

POLICE: MONTHLY POLICE REPORT – STATS FROM AUGUST 2017

Chief McGinley gave the report showing the following:

ACTIVITIES:

DUI arrests	1
Crash Investigations	7
Motorist Assists	13
Traffic enforcement (tickets)	136
Criminal Offenses	16
Cleared Crimes	6

INCIDENTS MONTH of AUGUST : 392

VEHICLE MILEAGE:

2009 DODGE CHARGER	91,394 *currently out of service
2010 DODGE CHARGER	98,709
2014 DODGE CHARGER	34,090
2015 FORD UTILITY	37,490

ENGINEER REPORT Drew Barton of Larson Design Group reported that PA DOT will not support the grant application for the sidewalks and new road as presented. LDG will be working to investigate a way to expand the right of way on Bloom Road. This will be addressed over the next few months. When asked he reported they also will be working on storm water issues and the lights on the Susquehanna River Bridge. Scott spoke on the sidewalk application where they would be placed on Bloom Road. He also spoke on the storm water issued and the six lights on the bridge that needs repainted or replaced. Woodruff was hoping there would be a grant available to help with the expense of the bridge lights. Scott explained that PA DOT has grant money available to municipalities. We applied for three projects; one to continue with the sidewalks where it ends at Ardmoor and will go all the way up to Woodbine. It will be on the left side of the road, heading East. PA DOT was excited about it but came back with more requirements. This will most likely happen next year will then resubmit back to PennDOT for the grant money. Other two issues are stormwater control measures as well as replacement of our share of lights on the bridge over to Riverside. Woodruff said we can apply for a permit but can only do 50' upstream and all that's good for is cleaning inlets and outlets so that's why we applied for the grant to get it all fixed. Woodruff would like to see the township apply for the grant every year.

STREET DEPARTMENT:

WORK SHOP MEETING SEPTEMBER 11, 2017

Items worked on over the past month, pending items that were completed.

1. HRI done with paving. as of Friday, they need to seal Edgewood and supply some documentation.
2. Base repairs on Oak St in preparation for next year
3. Pipe flushing and ditch cleaning
4. MPS is finished with repairs to block on building
5. Collapsed storm drain off Lindbergh was repaired
6. Millers seamless gutters was contacted and should be here before the end of September
7. Minor guide rail repair on Clinic Rd. from a tree falling.
8. All Twp. streets that had name changes now have new signs. waiting on sign blanks for private lanes.
9. Pick up chassis is having body installed and then will be returned to Sunbury Motors. then needs to go to Bradco
10. Overtime since august 14th, 6 manhours on tree down, 12 manhours on water line repair, and 1.5 manhours on hauling amesite.

11. We did get a look at all our pipes on Oak Street for paving next year. pipes at Oak and Lombard on west side of Lombard are good. pipes at Oak and Jade are good. pipes at Oak and Kingsley, most need replaced.

Items that need boards input/ approval.

1. Sent out line painting quotes on Friday.
2. Montour County Conservation District is going to allow us to remove sand/silt bars that are constricting streams in certain locations. We will need to rent an excavator to do this work if approved. prices are as follows:

Five-star equipment for a John Deere 85 with 25' reach. \$1150 per week and \$375 for delivery one way.

Cleveland brothers for a caterpillar 308 with 20' reach. \$1450 per week and \$105 for delivery one way

Bestline equipment for a bobcat e85 with 24' reach. \$1045 per week and 185 round trip delivery.

Lloyd said that everyone is having a hard time finding the addresses...UPS & Postal Service replacement drivers. It's going to take time to get through all of this. Should we put up double addresses for now, both old and new, something to think about.

Lloyd also reported the price of renting a Bobcat from Best Line. It will cost \$1045.00 per week for the rental and will take approximately 5-7 days to complete but may take a little longer. Ken Woodruff asked if we had someone capable to run the equipment and Lloyd said, "Absolutely, we have rented them before. Bill Lynn made motion to approve the rental from Best Line for the Bobcat at \$1045.00 per week plus the \$185.00 round trip delivery. TS Scott seconded the motion. Tyler Servose from Soil Conservation would like us to call him so he can check on the progress from time to time. Lloyd already plans to work with Tyler on this project.

Lloyd had an issue today with boundary lines between MT & DB. Not sure where a couple of them are. We found a pipe that goes under Red Lane that the bottom is rotted out. The did a temporary repair with some concrete but at some point, we need to figure out who is responsible for this stuff. If it's Mahoning's responsibility, we want to fix it, however, we don't want to pay for anything that isn't ours. Dean has maps that are certified showing different boundaries depending on what map you look at. Dean is going to show Woodruff what we have and see what they can come up with.

WATER AND SEWER: Supervisor Scott gave the report.

USAGE

Date: (September 11, 2017)

(August usage)

Total pumped to tanks: 8,026,065-gals daily average
to tank 258,905 gals

Rt:11 pump station total: 9,460,014 gals Rt:11 pump
station daily Avg: 305,162 gals

Rt:11 and Mont. village diff.: 1,433,949 gals

Woods of Welsh total usage: 238,910 gal's woods or
Welsh daily average: 7,610 gals

(Purchased water)

Rt:11 meter: 12,118,000-gals Bloom Rd.
meter: 650,000 gals

Total purchased from Danville: 12,768,000-gals daily average
from Danville: 411,871 gal

Present monthly usage; 12,768,000-gals previous
monthly usage: 11,825,000-gals difference:
943,000 gals (more)

Sewerage pumped rt:11; 2,555,936gals sewerage
pumped daily: 82,450 gals

Previous monthly usage: 3,122,413-gals difference:
566,477 gals (less)

Eric Neuman from 110 Woodland Drive spoke on behalf of the neighborhoods of Woods of Welsh and Whisper Meadows. Other members from their community accompanied him. He stated that the meeting in July was discussion about taking steps to getting their streets cared for, paved, and taken over by the township. His understanding was that core samples were to be taken to determine if the work was done correctly and at this point, nothing has been done. They want to know why this hasn't been done and what the plans are to get this done so the roads can be taken over by the township. Woodruff explained that the main problem is the attorneys. Scott stated that they continue stall tactics of their needs before they will do the core sample, requiring a punch list, however, we can't give them the punch list without knowing what sub base is under there. A letter was sent today to their attorney including everything they required on the punch list. We also gave them the exact specifications and gave them 10 days to complete the core samples. If this doesn't happen, then our zoning officer, Dean VonBlohn, will hire someone to take care of it. This is not a requirement that they provide a detailed list of everything that goes into the roads and how much it will cost. This money is then put into an escrow account that they draw down on the bond debt as they complete each stage. Our engineer inspects and signs off on each stage. To date, there is somewhere in the amount of \$30,000. The home owners biggest concern is that Mr. Kissinger will come pave the roads just to add the extra 3" without MT's involvement. HRI told them that Mr. Kissinger is getting ready to pave. They also noticed markings on the roads. Dean explained that the markings that are on the roads now are from our Water & Sewer Manager who is marking the sewer manholes and the broken water caps. Woodruff said that even if Kissinger has the roads paved, he will still be responsible to get the core samples before the township will take over the roads. Dave Baldwin stated that they are concerned that there won't be enough money to pay to complete the roads and that they will be responsible. Scott said in 10 days we will have core samples, if not Dean will draw from their escrow to pay for the samples. Dean explained that we will draw from the Bond not escrow. Dean is authorized to get the samples complete as of 9/22, if we don't receive anything by the 21st. Scott also explained that their best bet is to also get involved by calling Kissinger's attorney and raise your concerns. We can't fight this alone. Help us Help you get these people moving. Laurin Newman asked where the documentation where the engineer signed off for Kissinger to continue the next stage of the road and why would he sign off if there were issues. Dean has documentation from Unitech engineer. Dean has no inspection reports but has the draw downs. We just want to verify that the roads are to spec. April 23, 2013 stated that core samples needed to be done. We are still requiring the samples. Ross Peters is on Terre Lane and asked why the burden should be put on the homeowner's association if it was signed off on it originally. These must have been put in with no one's knowledge. They would like this completed so they don't have to worry about who will plow their roads. Dean is authorized to get the job done on 9/22, if we don't have the core samples back. Dean is checking with Larson Design and they will inspect

the samples, if MT has to do it. Homeowners are going to call Kissinger's attorneys and wait to see what happens.

Lynn made a motion to wait the 10 days for the core samples, if we don't receive anything, Zoning Officer Dean VonBlohn will get the core sample done+ with Larson Design engineer being present. Scott second the motion.

NEW BUSINESS

Scott moved to hire Faith Gard a senior of the Danville Area High School as an intern, at a rate of \$7.25 per hour (minimum rate) as a student intern. She carries a 95.0 average and is involved in many activities at school. She is looking forward to furthering her education to earn a Master's/Doctorate degree. She will average no more than 10 hours per week, starting at 3:30pm to 5:30pm, 4 days a week. Supervisors intends to move away from the last regimes definition of a high school student working with the township and back to the traditional nature of it being a high school student. Scott moved to hire the intern which was second by Lynn. Woodruff asked for questions. Marlene Gunther questioned the need for an intern, who does she plan to help and what her dress code will be. She asked if there is a need for more help or is this helping the Co-op at school? Molly Shultz asked if this would alleviate the secretary coming back in after hours to complete work. Scott explained that we are now paying the secretary, treasurer, zoning officer and W&S secretary to do clerical work at \$25.00 per hour or more when we can use the intern to do the clerical functions which is really a job more in line with \$7.25 per hour vs. \$25.00 per hour. Part of her function will be scanning building permit documents and subdivision maps to get them up into the cloud for the zoning officer and helping Secretary Joe Oberdorf transcribe meeting minutes. As far as the dress code, it will be no different than anyone else here, there is no dress code.

Woodruff thought the vote could be put off until the next meeting and it was brought to his attention there were motions on the floor and an action is required. Voting in favor of the hiring was Scott and seconded by Lynn. Woodruff voted Nay. Motions passed.

Woodruff reported the Water and Sewer Bids proposals are to be in by October 5th at 3:30 pm and the bids will be opened on the 6th of October at 10:30 am. Scott told all present that bid opening meeting is open to the public.

Woodruff also announce the changing of the meeting scheduled for the 18th of September has been changed to the 25th beginning at 5:30 pm.

Woodruff reported the bid proposals for the 2017 new police car and he said this is through a state contract. The bid proposal is from Kovatch Ford of Nesquehoning, PA for \$49,042.28. Lynn moved to accept the proposal. Second Scott.

Scott made a motion that starting January 2018, the township will no longer collect the \$10.00 Per Capita Tax, however those that are in arrears, delinquent in 2017 and in the past, the township will pursue to collect the back taxes. Lynn seconded the motion. Motions passed.

Dean VonBlohn requested a change of the Mahoning Planning Commission from October 2nd to October 9, 2017 at 4:30 pm. Scott moved to accept the change and this was second by Lynn. Motions passed. Marlen Gunther stated that it seems the workshops are turning into meetings. Woodruff agreed stating that he would like to get back to work shops. Scott said unless there is an action that needs to be taken care of. Chief McGinley explained that he need the approval to be done by the end of the month or he would lose the discount. McGinley said that we would lose over \$2,000 if we wait to the end of September. We have these when it is necessary replied Scott. A discussion was held with the idea of having two meetings per month.

Enterprise Drive keeps changing to Enterprise Lane. The people on that street want it to be known as Enterprise Drive. 911 people have no problem with either. Bill Lynn said it's also on the county taxes as Drive. Bill Lynn made the motion for the address to be Enterprise Drive, second by Scott. Motions passed.

Lynn moved for adjournment, second by Scott.

This meeting was recorded.

Joe Oberdorf, Secretary