Minutes of South Beaver Township Regular Meeting **September 10, 2025**

The regular September meeting of the South Beaver Township Board of Supervisors held in the South Beaver Municipal Building located at 805 Blackhawk Road was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairman John Onuska. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Officials present: John Onuska, Tom Miller, Jack Mintier, John Heyl, Nathan Morgan, Nathan Clendennen

Others present: Josh Krut, Diana Campbell, Levi Stahl, Mark Dillan, David Dinsmore, Lori Derringer, Jake Rosenberger

Jack Mintier made a motion to approve the August meeting minutes. Tom Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tom Miller made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay the following bills: General Fund, Check No. #16845-#16883, Total $34,248.57, Payroll Fund, Check No. #12581-#12614 Total $34,702.35, State Fund, Check No. #2192-2195, Total $27,076.14Jack Mintier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

John Onuska made an announcement that the board met for an executive session prior to the meeting at 6:30 pm to discuss personnel matters in executive session.

John Heyl gave the Engineer's report. It will be filed.

John Onuska gave the Police report. It will be filed.

Josh Krut gave the road report.

There was no fire report.

Levi Stahl was present and commented on the intersection of 51 & 168 and wanted to encourage the board to look into the Safe Streets and Roads for all grant program. He said there is one last opportunity in 2026 to apply for funds, which does require a comprehensive safety action plan to be in place. Levi also commented that he intends to file a request for public records for accidents at the intersection from the state police and from South Beaver Police and request the last study that was done at the intersection. The board asked John Heyl if he was familiar with the grant Levi mentioned and John said that you have to have a detailed study in place, which is typically not for just one intersection but for a stretch of road and it is expensive. The board would still like this option to be explored.

Mark Dillan received a notice from EPA that Columbia Gas is trying to re-permit an injection well on their property. Mark said what Columbia Gas did for many years was inject natural gas underground as a storage field and what they are now proposing is to inject brine water and proprietary chemicals into the ground and his concern is with drinking water. The well they are proposing to use was drilled in 1969, and Mark believes this is not a good situation and deserves further investigation. John Onuska stated that with the fire department he spent some time in that location due to smelling natural gas. Pin Oak informed the fire department that the wells and all of the lines are drained and the only thing back there is the 10" Columbia Gas transmission line. John Onuska asked Mark to leave a copy of the letter after the meeting so that the Township can look into it further.

Josh Krut wanted to thank the township, police and fire department for coming down to the Sportsmen's Club event for the youth invitational.

Quotes were received from Klick Lewis Chevrolet to replace the Police Department Explorer that is currently out of service with a repair estimate over $4,000 for a water pump and timing belt. The quote for a 2026 Tahoe is $59,500 and 2025 Tahoe is $57,904, which are just for the vehicle itself and does not include the upfitting. Tom Miller's opinion would be to fix the explorer and Jack Mintier agreed the vehicle should be repaired. John Onuska made a motion to amend the agenda and add the repair of 246 Police Explorer to new business. Jack Mintier seconded the motion. Motion carried. Tom Miller made the motion to repair the explorer for up to $5000. Jack Mintier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The supervisors discussed the retired weapon distribution with the police department to allow the retired glocks to be sold to the officers and retired officers that carried those guns. Tom Miller made a motion that any officer that has at least 10 years in the department and would like their retired service weapon can pay the transfer fee and if there are any left over they will be sold for the trade in value and transfer fee. John Onuska seconded the motion. Motion carried. Jack Mintier abstained from voting.

Tom Miller made a motion to accept the resignation of Mariah Brown from the Recreation Board. Jack Mintier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tom Miller made a motion to approve the MMO Worksheets for the Uniform and Non-Uniform Pension Plans. John Onuska seconded the motion. Motion carried. Jack Mintier abstained from voting.

Jack Mintier made a motion to approve Nathan Morgan preparing the resolution for the Salaried Employee Contracts. Tom Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

John Heyl discussed the Recreation Park Improvement bids that were received. Bids were received from Hiles Excavating, LLC for $109,260, Rudzik Excavating, Inc for $128,080, Youngblood Paving for $137,840.80 and LM&R Excavating for $170,990. Tom Miller made a motion to approve the bid from Hiles Excavating, LLC for $109,260. Jack Mintier seconded the motion. Motion carried. Jack Mintier made a motion to approve the additional $9,260 over the grant amount through Act 13 funds. Tom Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PSATS NewsBulletin for August was distributed to the Board.

Nathan Morgan and the Supervisors went into an executive session to discussion litigation.

John Onuska adjourned the meeting at 7:49 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Miller