

Minutes of South Beaver Township Regular Meeting

August 8, 2016

The regular August meeting of the South Beaver Township Board of Supervisors held in the South Beaver Fire Hall located on State Route 168 was called to order at 7:01 P.M. by Chairman Robert Wood. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Officials present: Robert Wood, Clair Young, Jack Mintier, George Patterson, Kevin Brett, Ashley Carr.

Others present: Jeff Lansberry, Andy Leech

Clair Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular July meeting. Jack Mintier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Clair Young made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay the following bills: General Fund, Check No. #12259-#12291, Total \$19,989.13; Payroll Fund, Check #9085-#9112, Total \$22,737.67; State Fund, Check #2002-2006, Total \$27,100.80. Jack Mintier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Robert Wood made an announcement that on July 18th at 6pm the Supervisors met with the police bargaining unit to go over their contract.

Kevin Brett read the Engineers report. It will be filed. Kevin reported that he was contacted by a land surveyor working on the Front Door Tavern Smoking Deck project and the Township should expect a submittal within the next 30 days. The cost for LSSE to assist the Planning Commission Board on the preparation of the Comprehensive Plan will not exceed \$3000 for this year.

Ashley Carr read the police report. It will be filed.

A copy of the road report was provided to the Supervisors. It will be filed

Ashley Carr read the fire report. It will be filed.

Jeff Lansberry was present on behalf of the fire department. He understands that when the new roof is put on the firehall that the siren would come off the roof and asked if the fire department could have it and store it for future use. The Supervisors saw no problem with this. He also reported that the siren doesn't work at station #2. Jeff got some pricing for an ultravoice siren control unit. A new unit without a radio would cost \$5,570.24, a new unit with radio would cost \$7,210.32 and a used unit from ebay would cost \$2,537.28. The Supervisors informed Jeff that they would need to discuss this further.

A letter was received from Darlington Borough Council that they voted to accept Darlington Township Police Department to provide coverage as of September 1, 2016. The Borough thank South Beaver Police Department for their work and service over the years.

A letter was received by PMRS stating that they received the Supervisors letter about Carol Miller's pension reduction and would reconsider the reversal of the reduction upon receipt of a 2013 1099 and a revised 2013 W-2 for Carol Miller. Ashley Carr reported that she has provided the Township's CPA, they are currently reviewing the information and will contact Ashley over the next few days on how to proceed.

The Supervisors would like to meet with the police bargaining unit to review their contract again on August 15th at 6pm. Ashley Carr will contact the bargaining unit to set up the meeting.

Kevin Brett reported that the Gordon plan of lots complies with the ordinance. Robert Wood made a motion to approve the Gordon plan of lots. Jack Mintier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A discussion was held on whether section 19.3.2 of the zoning ordinance states that a surveyed plot plan is required for a building permit. George Patterson stated that it doesn't state that it must be a surveyed plan, but in order to show the information that section asks for a survey would be required.

LSSE reviewed the ordinance lot coverages and recommended that the R-1 District increase to 40% and the NC District increase to 60%. George Patterson stated that there would need to be a public hearing advertised and help, changes would need to be sent to the county Planning Commission and also the South Beaver Planning Commission Board for their review. George will begin working on this matter.

A letter was received from Larson Design Group informing the Supervisors that the Beaver Office will no longer be offering SEO services. The Townships alternate SEO Michael Groves will have his own independent business. The Township will be provided with uninterrupted SEO services throughout the remainder of 2016 and should expect a phone call from Michael Groves over the next few weeks to answer any questions. The Township would like to know who will retain South Beaver's files, Larson or Michael.

A quote was received from MG-Soft for a new computer for the Township Tax Collector for \$1,100.00. Blackhawk School District has offered to reimburse the Township for half the cost of the computer.

A request was made to Ashley Carr to see if the Supervisors would agree to display that South Beaver Township supports Heritage Valley Nurses on the sign at the police station. The Supervisors along with the advice of Solicitor George Patterson agreed that the township should remain neutral on this matter.

Ashley Carr asked the Supervisors if it would be ok for webmaster Andy Leech to take advantage of promotions that are offered for the township website to save money. These specials usually only run for a short amount of time and Andy would like to know if he has their approval to proceed when they are offered. All of the Supervisors agreed that Andy should take advantage of the specials.

A resignation letter was received from part time patrolman Mark Smilek.

A copy of the July-August PSATS News Bulletin was distributed.

Robert adjourned the meeting at 7:56 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley N. Carr, Secy.