

Minutes of South Beaver Township Regular Meeting

October 13, 2014

The regular October 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 7:00 P.M. by Clair Young. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Officials present: Clair Young, Robert Wood, Craig Baker, George Patterson, Dan McLean, Kurt Magness, Ashley Carr. Dan Rastatter was out of town.

Others present: John Rarick, Joe Barsic, John Tucker, Cindy Rowland, James Bell, Dave Sutton, Clifford Cole, Joe Petrella, Fred Gaskin

A motion was made by Clair Young to approve the minutes of the September 8th meeting. Robert Wood 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. #11137-#11188, Total \$128,918.85; Payroll Fund, Check #8358-#8390, Total \$24,045.07. Robert Wood seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ashley Carr made an announcement that on September 22nd at 2pm, Clair Young, Robert Wood and Craig Baker met with PennDoT to discuss the stream enclosure and on October 1st prior to the Planning Commission Meeting, the Supervisors met with George Patterson to discuss the potential arrangement of the Township purchasing the school from the Fire Department.

Dan McLean gave the police report, it will be filed. The Police Department received a grant for \$500 and since they ran over budget when purchasing their tablet he would like for it to be put into General Funds. Dan reported that over the weekend 600' of Verizon wire was stolen from Old Blackhawk Road. There have also been a lot of fraud against seniors through phone calls.

Kurt Magness gave the road report, it will be filed. The Road Department knocked down the Beaver Dam with permission from the Game Commission. The Game Commission is supposed to come look at it and trap the beavers. Kurt calculated it would cost \$114,869 for repairing DeHaven Road next year, which includes \$5,500 worth of pipe and \$22,834 to single seal Georgetown and Louthan Roads.

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

John Rarick of the North Country Trail Wampum Chapter was present. The Game lands are going to be clearing out a parking lot near the Pennsylvania/Ohio border. The Chapter is asking for help with the purchase of gravel or even what supplier to purchase from. The Chapter would like to have a better relationship with South Beaver Township and invited everyone to the Pumpkin Pie hike on Sunday at 1pm.

Jim Bell was present for MarkWest and stated that the proposal for repairs to Georgetown and Louthan Road will include a 2" overlay of 19mm mix. Clair Young asked if any of that would be milled off. Jim stated that some of the areas will be leveled before they pave because a lot of stone that was put down was missing. Craig Baker explained that Sunoco also has the same portion of Louthan Road bonded as MarkWest. A representative from Sunoco stated that they will be done traveling on Louthan Road by the end of next week. Sunoco has received a paving quote, but at this time it is under review. Fred Gaskin of Sunoco will speak with Jim Bell to work out an arrangement on Louthan Road. Once the paving quote is finalized Sunoco will contact Craig Baker to state their intentions for the repairs on Georgetown, Louthan and French Road. Craig Baker stated that it may be a good idea to hold another meeting to get this taken care of before winter.

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At the September Supervisors meeting the Supervisors asked Kurt to get a quote on what it would cost to clean the drain at the intersection of Pinecrest and Blackhawk Roads. Kurt reported it would cost \$150 per hour for a minimum of four hours. During the meeting with PennDot on September 22nd, this site was visited and decided the best course of action would be to grade a dip in the road to allow the water to runoff.

Craig Baker stated he hasn't received anything from surveyor of the Barsic Plan of Lots. Joe Barsic was present and due to the weather the surveyors were backed up at the moment. Joe stated he has sewer bills for both properties, the plans will be updated by the surveyor and he has been working with his Real Estate agent so that when the property is sold the Maintenance, driveway and utility easements will be on the deed.

Utica Gas Services has requested a 120 day extension of time on the Blackhawk Gathering Line, PGC West to Hodgdon. Clair Young motioned to grant the 120 day extension to Utica. Robert Wood seconded the motion. Motion carried.

George Patterson read the Agricultural Security Resolution where the board held a public hearing prior to the Supervisors meeting to add three properties to the Agricultural Security Area. Clair Young motioned to approve the Agricultural Security Resolution. Robert Wood seconded the motion. Motion carried.

George Patterson informed the board that PSATS, which funds health insurance is modifying their trust documents, not the coverage. Clair Young motioned to approve the resolution called "Restatement Approval Counterpart of South Beaver Township, Pennsylvania Approving Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust." Robert Wood seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The following quotes were received to get the land adjacent to the Fire Hall appraised. Chiappetta Agency, Inc. at the cost of \$750, Emily Snedeker of Ed Cline Appraisals at \$350, and James Bowen Appraisal Services at \$375. Clair Young made a motion to accept the quote from Emily Snedeker of Ed Cline Appraisals in the amount of \$350. Robert Wood seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ashley Carr received a request from a resident that lives on Lisbon Road to have a Bus Stop sign installed. Dan McLean stated that customarily what the Township has done in the past is if the road department has an available sign they will install it, if the township doesn't have a sign the homeowner is asked to pay for it and the Township will put it up. The Road Department doesn't have any signs available. Clair Young made a motion for Ashley Carr to contact the resident to see if they would purchase the sign, and if they will the township will install it for them. Robert Wood seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A Preliminary Budget Meeting will be held on October 27th at 6pm.

Clair Young motioned to approve the Township reimbursing George Patterson for the 2014 Fall Township Solicitor Workshop in the amount of \$130 that he will be attending on October 23rd. Robert Wood seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Robert Wood asked George Patterson if there is any problem with removing the dilapidated guard rails on Joe Hall Road. George states that there must be some reason they were put there and wants to make sure it is not an insurance problem if they are removed. Dan McLean states they have been on that road longer then he has worked for the Township and believes they are there to prevent cars from going onto SR 51. Ashley Carr contacted both PSATS and PennDot and both said since it is a township road the township can remove them. The Board decided to table to discussion and asked Ashley Carr to get a second opinion.

A letter was received from a concerned resident on DeHaven Road. Ashley Carr read the letter. Craig Baker drove down DeHaven road and doesn't believe it is in that bad of shape. The problem areas are the

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patches that have been zipped. Kurt Magness calculated that it will take approximately \$4,000 to zip, tar and chip and seal. The Supervisors asked Ashley Carr to review the budget and see if there are enough funds for this expense

Robert Wood made a motion to rescind the vote made at the August 11th Supervisors meeting for the Township to spend Act 13 Funds for an inch of binder coarse material for the repairs to Georgetown and Louthan Roads. Clair Young seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Supervisors received a resignation letter from Natalie Cekovich of the Recreation Board. The Recreation Board is in the process of finding a new member.

Daug Sutton was present and asked if the Township would be able to install a no engine brake sign on State Route 168, with all of the heavy truck traffic that travels that road. George Patterson stated that a resolution may need to be passed, but he will look into how those signs are added.

PSATS News Bulletin for September was distributed to the Supervisors.

The Board received a copy of the Recreation Boards October meeting minutes.

The Recreation Board gave the Supervisors and Ashley Carr a thank you letter and t-shirt for supporting the 2nd Annual South Beaver Recreation Board Community Day.

Clair adjourned the meeting at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley N. Carr, Secretary