

Minutes of South Beaver Township Regular Meeting

July 14, 2014

The regular July 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 Chairman Dan Rastatter. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

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

Others present: Dianne Long, Bob Griffiths, Philip Wrona, Chris Forinash, Bill Puyear, Michael & Marjorie Price

A motion was made by Clair Young to approve the minutes of the regular June meeting. Dan Rastatter 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. #11006-#11057, Total \$46,842.19; Payroll Fund, Check #8248-#8296, Total \$38,441.18; State Fund, Check # 1956-#1958, Total \$10,252.46. Robert Wood seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dan McLean gave the police report, it will be filed. Dan asked the Supervisors if it would be ok to hire one part time officer and the Supervisors agree that would be fine. The police department is also interested in purchasing an iPad to use on the road, which would sync what was done on the field in the office. Dan stated there is a push to do electronic filing of citations from the courts, which may become mandatory down the road. The iPad would cost around \$459.99, for the software, hardware, support, printer, scanner and on-site training the cost would be \$1,095, with a monthly fee of \$99 and a Verizon Data Plan for \$40 a month. The total monthly cost would be \$139 and we may be able to get the Verizon Data Plan cheaper with a township account. Dan Rastatter made a motion to approve the electronic purchase through United Public Safety of an iPad, printer and aircard. Clair Young seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Kurt Magness gave the road report, it will be filed. The road department had to reschedule oil for August 15th and are heading to Sherman Road next.

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

Dianne Long was present to discuss an issue at the park. She believes that the grass is being cut too much around the creek bank and is causing it to erode. Dan McLean states that the erosion is due to high water and in the past jersey barriers have been put in a different location because every time it flooded the water ate the bank away. Craig Baker states that the township would have to get a Bank Rehabilitation permit which is issued by the DEP. The Supervisors authorize Craig Baker to get the application started so that the township doesn't lose a portion of the walking trail at the park.

Andy Leech was present to discuss the township website. He would like to update the website to make it look newer and also give the township its own domain. He didn't have an exact cost but it would be less than \$200 per year. He asked permission from the Supervisors and asked if they had any input. The Supervisors have no problem with him changing the website and he will get back to them once he finds out the cost.

MarkWest milled ruts, depression and heaving of the shoulders due to heavy hauling on Georgetown and Louthan. MarkWest submitted cross sections of how they intend to fix the roads. Craig Baker called them and sent an email recommending the use of 9.5mm wearing coarse material instead of 2 inches of 19 mm binder. The work will be done by Lindy Paving and they will only put the wearing course where

milling occurred or they will cover both roads entire width and length that are bonded with the binder coarse material. Craig Baker states that the least amount of binder you should put down is 3 inches and made a suggestion that the township pay for the additional inch to get it up to standard. Dan Rastatter asked the road department to contact MarkWest and see what the cost would be for the additional inch.

Craig Baker prepared all plans and reports for the ravine engineering work at the proposed new township building locations and had a meeting with the DEP. The outcome was that the DEP verbally decided to issue a waiver, but the township would need to submit a justification, backwater study, complete engineering design and an E&S Plan. They will allow utility line stream crossing for the sanitary sewer to be included in the waiver. There is no guarantee the Army Core of Engineers will waive their permit requirements. The Supervisors agreed to accept a letter that was drafted by Craig Baker to be sent to PennDOTS Environmental Representative.

Representatives were present from Walsh and US Municipal with truck bids for the road department. Bill Puryear of Walsh gave a bid of \$79,596.00 and Bob Griffiths of U.S. Municipal gave a bid of \$76,273.00. The Supervisors agreed that they need to discuss the financing options.

Chris Forinash of Utica Gas presented the CTG/McDanel Well Connect which is a steel natural gas pipeline. Kurt Magness doesn't see any issues with the driveway permits. Utica is requesting that the heavy hauling bond for Rolling Acres be released and that a new one be issued for this project with all of the same roads with the addition of McBride Road. Clair Young motions for conditional approval based on the open items in Craig Bakers report, including receipts of drawings that acknowledges the fence, the selection of an inspector, providing as-builts once the project is complete and releasing the Rolling Acres Heavy Hauling Permit and issuing the new heavy hauling permit. Robert Wood seconded the motion. Motion carried.

George Patterson informed the board that a public hearing was scheduled for August 11th at 6p.m. for the conditional use for the AT&T Cell Tower. Craig Baker was notified to post the property and George will send affected property owners notices. George states that lease for a cell tower is not required to do a subdivision per the municipal planning code.

The Supervisors acknowledged receipts of an Ag Security Area proposal form which was received by the township June 27, 2014 via certified mail for the Charles W. McGaffick Estate located at 466 S.R. 0168, 58.39 acres.

Ashley Carr received an email from PennDot that a resident requested to have a Convex Mirror Installed on State Route 168. PennDot informed the resident that it is the responsibility of the municipality or the property owner to purchase, install and maintain mirrors, if warranted and after receiving approval from PennDot. The Supervisors were given copies of the email.

Leona Carlisle has requested that a tree on the property of the township be removed before it causing any damage because it is dead. The Supervisors asked the road department to take a look at it.

Clair Young motioned to appoint Jim Shroads to the South Beaver Township Planning Commission Board. Robert Wood seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Recreation Boards June and July meeting minutes were distributed to the Supervisors.

PSATS News Bulletin for June was distributed to the Supervisors.

Dan adjourned the meeting at 9:24 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley N. Carr, Secretary