

Minutes of South Beaver Township Regular Meeting

March 12, 2025

The regular March 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 Tom Miller. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Officials present: Jack Mintier, Tom Miller, John Heyl, Nathan Morgan, Daniel Petrich, Ashley Carr

Others present: Sherry Straight, Charles Hrelec, (illegible name), Brian Anderson, Brienne Krut, Dan & Eva Ziegler, Shelley Shuster, Karen Leech, Valerie Leech, Andy Leech, Diana Campbell, David Campbell, Pete Cosky, Bert Sanders.

Jack Mintier made a motion to approve the February 26th meeting minutes. Tom Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jack Mintier made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay the following bills: General Fund, Check No. #16599-#16637, Total \$52,837.05, Payroll Fund, Check No. #12386-#12413, Total \$32,587.45, State Fund, Check No. #2166-2171, Total \$25,446.82. Tom Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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

Daniel Petrich gave the Police report. It will be filed. Dan reported that three of the department computers need updated because they do not meet system requirements for Windows 11. Dan is waiting on a quote for an ammunition purchase and will provide that to the board once received.

Josh Krut gave the Road report. Josh reported that the road department is working on getting the water turned on at the park, Dillan's will be coming out to fix the well head and Campbell's will test the water. Josh said the road department phone now has an answering machine and the phone number has been added to the website for residents to call with road concerns.

Ashley Carr gave the Fire report. It will be filed.

Diana Campbell asked who pays for the porta potty at the park and cost. Ashley Carr stated that the handicap porta potty is paid for by the Township and that BAYBA pays for the others. Diana asked who to call when they need cleaned, Josh Krut said that he can be contacted.

Greg Douglass was present on behalf of Rustic Meadows to ask for conditional approval of the Planning Module contingent upon receiving Beaver County Planning Commission's review and signatures from the Sewage Enforcement Officer. The Supervisors stated this is listed on the agenda under new business and asked Greg to address it at that time.

Sherry Straight was present from Swamp Poodle Road and stated that she was able to meet with Josh Krut about her road concerns prior to the meeting and that all of her questions were answered.

Jake Rosenberger was present and asked the supervisors what prompted the change in the new solicitor, why there is no old business on the agenda, the plan for zoning and if there was a timeline, if there were any applications for solar and if the board or zoning officer are in favor of solar farms, if there were any large scale subdivisions and if getting a light at 168 & 51 was a money issue or the township needed permission from the state. Tom Miller answered Jake's questions and stated that the old solicitor was decreasing his work load and offered to stay with the Township until a new Solicitor was secured, Tom stated there was an application for Solar that went to the Zoning Hearing Board which was denied and there are currently no open applications. John Heyl commented that the Township has not received any large-

scale subdivision applications and that 168 & 51 are two state roads and that PennDot has full control and approval. John Heyl said that the Township can pay and request a study to be done, but to his knowledge along with information from the police chief on reportable accidents, it does not warrant the need for a light.

Diana Campbell reported that she has been in contact with State Representative Josh Kail and he would be willing to help the Township get a light at 168 & 51. Diana also said there is a woman in Pittsburgh who does technology grants who may be able to help. Nathan Morgan asked the board if they were in favor of him reaching out to Kail's office for assistance and they agreed. Diana suggested that rumble strips be placed to slow people down. John Heyl commented that would be up to PennDot. Chief Petrich provided information on the number of accidents, fatalities and how and when they are reported to PennDOT.

Paul Prince of Liberty National was present to provide information on benefits to employees for accidental death and life insurance. Nathan Morgan asked him to leave his paperwork and contact information.

Jack Mintier made a motion to approve the purchase of a road plate for the Road Department from Trench Shoring for \$1,637. Tom Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Josh Krut asked the board to consider hiring a 3rd full time road department employee who could be laid off if needed. Tom did a ride around with Josh and knows there is a ton of work, but does not know how it would fit in the budget. The supervisors will look at the budget and see if they can justify a third full-timer and revisit this next month.

Karen Leech asked if Youngblood Paving was still tar & chipping the roads. Tom stated they were and the reason for the delay is because the Township did not get on last years schedule.

Josh Krut reported that he met with Columbia Gas about Sherman Road and they are going to force the contractor to fix the road because it is creating water and ice issues because it was not restored correctly.

Jack Mintier made a motion to approve the quote from Tyler Mountain Water Company to have water delivered to the Road Department at \$7.00 a bottle, \$6.00 delivery and a \$4.99 monthly fee with the road department getting one delivery every quarter. Tom Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jack Mintier made a motion to approve the Partial Pay Request No. 1 (FINAL) to Fleeher Contracting, LLC for the Fire Station Improvements in the amount of \$87,076.55 from American Rescue Funds. Tom Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Nathan Morgan will have the ambulance provider resolution at next month's meeting.

No motion was made to approve Rustic Meadows request as previously discussed by Greg Douglass.

Jack Mintier made a motion to appoint Tom Miller as the primary delegate of the Beaver County Regional Council of Governments and Jack Mintier as the alternate. Tom Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Diana Campbell asked if Tom attends the meeting since the township pays a membership fee. Nathan Morgan explained that he is the solicitor for BCRCOG and there are far more perks to being a member than attending the meetings, such as getting discounted commodities pricing and BCRCOG handles all UCC and IPMC appeals for participating municipalities.

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Jack Mintier made a motion to approve the account update for participation in the Federal Surplus Property Program. Tom Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tom Miller adjourned the meeting at 7:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Carr