

West Sadsbury Township Board of Supervisors Meeting

April 12, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Haas.

In attendance were: Vice Chairman Ed Haas, Member John Keeseey, Solicitor, Helen Esbenshade, Police Chief Luke Fidler, Road Master Jason Chapman, Jeff Bologna and Casey Kerschner of Becker Engineering and Sec/Treas. Patti Piersol.

Patti read the read the minutes of the March 14, 2022 meeting. The minutes were approved with some corrections.

Patti gave the Treasurer's report for March 2022. The March income was \$ 132,922.35 and the expenses were \$127,578.18, the net income for March was \$5,344.17 and year to date loss was \$61,586.88. Patti reported that she refiled the ACT101 Recycling report after information from Walmart and Wawa were received. She also filed the DCED-CLGS-69, RCT-900 PURTA and the AG-385 reports. Patti also explained that the credit card limit did not get increase very much and that the \$5,100.00 limit is for the 3 cards combined.

The bills were reviewed: A motion was made by Ed and seconded by John to pay the bills, motion carried. There was discussion on the financial statements.

Police report: Police Chief Luke Fidler gave his report for March. They received a \$3,000.00 grant from Walmart and they would like to use it for computer upgrades.

Zoning Officer's report: Ed read the report for March. Bill Beers is handling the dump truck problem.

Fire company report: Captain Josh Jones gave the Keystone Valley Fire Departments Fire and EMS March report.

Roadmaster's report: Jason gave his March report, they have cut tree branches, repaired a twisted street sign, picked up discarded furniture, took care of the weekend snow, reinstall the stop sign at Moscow and Quarry again, cut back bamboo, replaced the stolen road sign at Newlin Drive and Lincoln Highway and they continue to patch the roads.

Tax Collector's report: Nothing has been collected, yet. The bills go out April 15th.

Engineers report: Casey's first item was

Freedom Life Church's time extension submitted on March 20, to August 20th. A motion was made by Ed to accept the extension, seconded by John, motion carried.

Jonathan B. and Ester M Lapp (1300 Swan Road) – SWM Plan, Ed made a motion to accept the future required amount of financial security to be established with the Township, in an amount acceptable to the Township Engineer, upon receiving and approving the future Construction Cost Estimate, seconded by John, motion carried.

Ed made a motion to authorize the Board of Supervisors to sign the Operation, Maintenance, and Inspection Plan (O&M) Agreement, Financial Security Agreement, and the Stormwater Management Plan when executed by the applicant and upon meeting all conditions of the Becker Engineering Review Letter No. 1, seconded by John, motion carried.

Reuben Kauffman (4451 Church Road) – SWM Plan, Ed made a motion to acknowledge the required amount of the financial security to be established with the Township in the amount of \$14,249.93, per the approved Construction Cost Estimate, prepared by Della Penna Engineering, dated March 17, 2022, seconded by John, motion carried.

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Old Business:

Mowing Bids: Ed opened the two bids that we had received. They were from Ed Snyder Lawn Service and Jim Weathers, Thumbsup Services. The Board discussed the bids and decided to go with Ed Snyder that has done the job for years.

Planning Commission Secretary, presently there is no one named for this position.

Falcon Recycler machine: Jason the Roadmaster is requesting that the Township purchase this machine. Supervisor Keesey attended a demonstration of the machine along with the Road Crew. This machine will allow the Road Crew to patch the roads with material that will stay in the holes and not break out. Jason explained the process. There was discussion on the purchase and Patti told the Board that the machine could be purchased with some of the American Rescue Plan monies or use Liquid Fuels monies. Residents asked about re-paving of Moscow and Quarry Roads, Jason has gotten prices and they are astronomical. Ed made a motion to purchase the Falcon Recycler, seconded by John, motion carried.

American Rescue Plan: Patti said that the first report is due next month.

Traffic light ownership: The Board said that the lights at Route 30/Commons Drive and Route 10/Commons Drive are owned by the Township and Wolfson reimburses the Township for the use. Patti

asked if Wolfson pays for the repairs to these two traffic lights. Ed said that question should be answered by the contract. Patti said that she sent an email to Tammy Russell about the traffic light at Route 30 and Route 10, but hasn't heard back.

PSATS Conference: The Supervisors and Road Crew will attend.

Open Space tax referendum: It still has to be decided, but the deadline is approaching to make the November 2022 ballot.

The State required Statement of Financial Interest for persons that were elected or appointed are due 5/1/2022.

Harrison family property, Patti asked if anyone found out about them letting the grass and weeds to grow. The neighbors have complained.

Patti said that the office need IT work done for security and to have the equipment accessed. The board said to contact Marc Meshurle.

Patti told the Board that many residents have called about having a bulk trash day. We will try to set that up.

New Business:

Auditors report: ^{Nancy} Linda Stoltzfus, Chairwomen spoke for the Auditors, she read a letter of their findings and submitted the annual report to the Supervisors.

Jason requested that the Board hired another person for the road crew. He suggested Mike Lavender of Parkesburg. Ed made a motion to hire Mike at \$14.00 per hour, maximum 30 hours per week and on a 6 month probation, and needs to wait to work until the background checks come back, seconded by John, motion carried.

Emergency Operations Plan promulgation, a motion was made by Ed to approve Darren signing it, seconded by John, motion carried.

Sharp Innovations have increased their prices for extra services not for what we use for our website and email.

Request for permission for metal detecting on Township property was denied.

Patti gave the Board information on Wildlife corridors. It is not a problem in West Sadsbury at this time, but there needs to be greenways for wildlife to go from area to area.

The Township received Chester County Planning Commission's "Planning for a different future" report.

We received the Chester County Hazardous Waste Residential events calendar for 2022.

The Township received an offer to sell the cell tower from the Weaver Group.

Ed made motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:33 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Patti Piersol,
Sec/Treas.