WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

June 13, 2023

The Washington Township Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 13, 2023. Members present: Chairman, John Lougee, Vice-Chairman, Robert Hrin, Supervisor Robert Hetrick, Supervisor, Steve McClelland, and Supervisor, Timothy Potts. Also present: Sarah Anderson, Secretary, Dan Whaling, Road Master, and Greg Kruk, Solicitor. Visitors: Matt Oknefski, Randy Clinger, and Tricia Clinger.

Chairman, John Lougee opened the meeting at 6 PM with a pledge allegiance to the Flag.

OPEN TO THE FLOOR

Matt Oknefski, chairman of Tour de Brockway Bicycle Race, asked the board for permission to use township roads on July 1st for the race.

On a MOTION by Robert Hrin, a SECOND by Timothy Potts, all the board voting in favor, permission was granted for the bicycle race.

Randy & Tricia Clinger asked the board for their thoughts on placing “no parking” signs on Hill Street. Discussion was tabled until the Solicitor’s Report.

MINUTES

On a MOTION by Steve McClelland, a SECOND by Robert Hetrick, all the board voting in favor, the minutes of the May 9, 2023, regular monthly meeting were approved as presented.

VOUCHERS AND PAYROLL

On a MOTION by Robert Hrin, a SECOND by Timothy Potts, all the board voting in favor, the vouchers due for payment and the payroll were approved.

TREASURER’S REPORT

On a MOTION by Timothy Potts, a SECOND by Steve McClelland, all the board voting in favor, the Treasurer’s report was received and filed for audit.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. May permits included zoning permits issued to S. Byler for a barn, R. Cole for a shed.

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1. Supervisor, Robert Hrin, attended the Jefferson Co. Commissioners meeting on May 18th. A tax is proposed for real estate owners to fund EMS. Additional meetings are to follow before a decision is made.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

Chairman, John Lougee, explained to Randy & Tricia Clinger that after visiting Hill Street and specifically their property, a conclusion was made that it is imperative for the safety of others to keep all parked vehicles off the township right-a-way.

On a MOTION by Robert Hetrick, a SECOND by Robert Hrin, all the board voting in favor, the board will move forward with an ordinance to post “no parking” signs on Hill Street year-round.

Solicitor, Greg Kruk, discussed the changes made to the Zoning Ordinance draft after speaking with Eads Group. The board was satisfied with the revisions and will move forward with the process.

Zito Media will send a representative to a future board meeting to help with the renewal process.

Mr. Kruk addressed a question found in the June 2023 issue of PA Twp. News about the title given to “working supervisors”. In that situation a supervisor is acting as a laborer. The January 2023 minutes will be amended at the July monthly supervisor meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor, Timothy Potts, requested to hold a “Touch-a-Truck” event.

On a MOTION by Robert Hrin, a SECOND by Robert Hetrick, all the board voting in favor, permission was granted to use a township truck in the “Touch-a-Truck” event to be held tentatively in July.

On a MOTION by Timothy Potts, a SECOND by Steve McClelland, all the board voting in favor, the V&V Land Management LLC / Holt Land & Development Co. subdivision was approved as recommended by the Planning Board.

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On a MOTION by Steve McClelland, a SECOND by Robert Hrin, all the board voting in favor, the Bernard Smith / Greg Volpe subdivision was approved as recommended by the Planning Board.

Jefferson County will be distributing extra Liquid Fuel money. Washington Township is to receive $22,107.63.

On a MOTION by Robert Hrin, a SECOND by Timothy Potts, all the board voting in favor, Resolution #2023-02 to spend the additional Liquid Fuel money from Jefferson County on tar & chipping was approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Solicitor, Greg Kruk, will write a letter to resident with NSF payment made to the Township for SEO services.

On a MOTION by Robert Hrin, a SECOND by Timothy Potts, all the board voting in favor, the HMI Lumber Co., road bond release was approved.

ROAD REPORT

Roadmaster, Dan Whaling, reported the new mower needs a counter weight.

On a MOTION by Robert Hrin, a SECOND by Timothy Potts, all the board voting in favor, permission was granted to purchase a counter weight for the mower with an allowance of $3,200.00

The new truck ordered by the Township is off the assembly line and headed to paint.

Suit-Kote furnished the Township with a quote for 550 gallons of crack fill for Wilson Road and any other additional areas at $17 per gallon.

On a MOTION by Robert Hrin, a SECOND by Steve McClelland, all the board voting in favor, the quote from Suit-Kote was accepted.

ADJOURNMENT

On a MOTION by Robert Hrin, a SECOND by Steve McClelland, all the board voting in favor, the board adjourned to an executive session at 7:12 PM.

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On a MOTION by Robert Hrin, a SECOND by Timothy Potts, all the board voting in favor, the board adjourned from an executive session to the regular meeting at 7:19 PM.

On a MOTION by Steve McClelland, a SECOND by Timothy Potts, all the board voting in favor, the board adjourned at 7:21 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Anderson, Secretary/Treasurer