MINUTES FOR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 14, 2018

The meeting of the Pine Grove Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, February 14, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall. Supervisors present were Charles Morrison, Carmen Ferranto and Douglas Smith. Others present were Joel Romagna, Ken Larson, Joan Larson, Ken Porter and Julie Parmenter.

Charles Morrison opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag.

Charles Morrison read over the agenda and asked if there were any comments from visitors or residents.

Ken Larson wanted to express concerns regarding the Town of Carroll proposed landfill. Although he was attending the meeting for a subsequent issue he said this proposed landfill is a concern for all of the residents in the area. The Supervisors advised Mr. Larson that they had sent a letter in support of the Town of Carroll against the proposed landfill to the New York State DEC.

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the January 2, 2018, meeting by Carmen Ferranto. Douglas Smith seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Carmen Ferranto made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report dated February 14, 2018. Douglas Smith seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Carmen Ferranto made a motion to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$61,102.90 for the general fund, \$24,410.96 for the sewer fund, \$6,701.62 for the sewer II fund, \$3,347.84 for the state fund and \$17,386.17 for the water fund. Also, approval for payment of any utilities that may come due before the next regular scheduled meeting. The motion was seconded by Douglas Smith. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Ken Porter reported that they have been plowing, cutting brush, equipment maintenance and cleaning in the shop. Ken advised that he has been checking into a new truck and there was some discussion on the various options. It was decided that we would keep the old truck and maintain it for a utility truck. The Supervisors advised Ken to get the specs as soon as possible so that they could move forward with the purchase of a new vehicle.

Ken advised that he had spoken with someone about the requirements for bonding Gouldtown and Howard Roads in the event that the proposed Town of Carroll landfill goes through and we get heavy truck traffic on these roads. There was some discussion on how to enforce the road bond, if in fact heavy truck traffic becomes an issue. Doug suggested that maybe some of the residents in the area would be willing to help with this by creating an advocacy group. Mr. Larson spoke up and offered to check into this with other residents. Charlie advised that we should proceed with the bonding process on these roads and the other Supervisors were in agreement.

Carmen asked Ken about cold patch. He mentioned that with the nicer weather forecast we may start to receive some complaints on pot holes. Ken advised that he could get some patching material to take care of this.

Charlie asked about the money due to the Township from the Big Four Road Project. The secretary will contact the Conservation District regarding this.

Next was discussion on the North Warren Municipal Authorities (NWMA) upgrade. The secretary was informed that Pine Grove Townships portion of this upgrade will be based on the percentage of waste water that is sent down to NWMA for all of 2018. The Supervisors asked Joel Romagna with Stiffler McGraw to attend the meeting with a proposal on a sanitary sewer evaluation survey (SSES) since there is water infiltration into the system. Joel went over the proposal and the steps involved with the Supervisors. He advised they would start by installing flow meters and monitoring them and move on from there if necessary. He would like to have the flow meters installed by mid-March. Carmen Ferranto made a motion to proceed with the flow meter installation and flow data reporting and if more testing is needed it would be discussed at a later meeting. Douglas Smith seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Next discussion was on **RESOLUTION #2-14-18** for a small flow treatment system for Mitch Passinger. Carmen Ferranto made a motion to approve **RESOLUTION #2-14-18** for the Passinger small flow treatment system and it was seconded by Douglas Smith. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Next discussion was on **RESOLUTION #2-15-18** for a small flow treatment system for Kenneth Larson. Carmen Ferranto made a motion to approve **RESOLUTION #2-15-18** for the Larson small flow treatment system and it was seconded by Douglas Smith. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

There was some discussion on upgrades to the garage. The Supervisors would like to purchase new table and chairs for the guys for their breaks. They would also like to upgrade some items for the road foreman, such as, new file cabinets and a computer with internet service. They advised the secretary to check on getting internet service to the garage.

Douglas mentioned an energy audit for the garage. The Supervisors agreed to move forward with this audit at a cost of \$250. Carmen Ferranto made a motion to proceed with the energy audit for the garage and Douglas Smith seconded it. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Douglas Smith presented and invoice for an administrative class he had signed up for requesting reimbursement for this. Carmen Ferranto made a motion to reimburse Doug for the administrative class and Charlie Morrison seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Carmen asked Ken about getting guard rails on Cidermill Hill and Ken with check with Chemung Supply for a price on this.

Carmen updated the other Supervisors on the ongoing water project. Joel Romagna advised that the permits should be in place before the second round of Pennvest funding in May. The projected start time on the project is early fall.

Carmen Ferranto made a motion for adjournment at 8:25 PM. Douglas Smith seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Sincerely,

Secretary