

## MINUTES FOR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2019

The meeting of the Pine Grove Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall. Supervisors present were Charles Morrison, Carmen Ferranto and Douglas Smith. Others present were Jessica Roudybush, Kenneth Hinton, Terry Williams, John Bortz Jr., Ken Porter and Julie Parmenter.

Charles Morrison opened the regular township 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.

Terry Williams with the City of Warren Codes Department spoke to the Supervisors about the work they do from their office. She presented a handout and gave an update on the number of inspections they do within the township. She advised on the building code process. Terry also mentioned that they can do property maintenance if Township's adopt the international property maintenance code.

John Bortz was next to speak. He attended the meeting to confur with the Supervisor's about the progress on the legal beverage status. John mentioned that there are a number of other Township's moving forward with this process. They talked about what kind of referendum question should be on the ballot for the fall 2020 election and the steps that would need to be completed. Carmen stated that on the advice from the solicitor the Supervisor's would not pass the Resolution that John presented at a previous meeting. Carmen reiterated that John could use a copy of the minutes stating that the Supervisor's are in support of this.

A motion was made by Carmen Ferranto to approve the minutes from the August 14, 2019, meeting and it was seconded by Douglas Smith. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

While reviewing the treasurer's report Charlie Morrison asked if the Act 13 funds could be incorporated into another account. And, Carmen Ferranto inquired as to whether the Act 13 funds could be used towards the purchase of some new guide rails. The secretary will check into this. Carmen Ferranto made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report dated September 11, 2019. Douglas Smith seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Douglas Smith made a motion to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$150,092.60 for the general fund, \$9,213.84 for the sewer fund, \$6,701.62 for the sewer II fund, and \$525.04 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 Carmen Ferranto. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Ken Porter reported they have ditched and oiled Howard Road. They have been cold patching on various roads and that Egypt Hollow would be getting graded soon.

Next discussion was on the deteriorating guide rails that have been identified in certain areas. Carmen suggested inventorying where we need to replace guide rails so that we can include this in the upcoming budget talks so that the work can be done in the spring.

There was some review on the Woodland Drive water issue. The secretary contacted Penndot regarding this and they were going to check into it and get back to us. Ken suggest putting a ditch or swail along the road in front of Mr. Klakamp's property to help alleviate some of the water problem in his yard. Carmen advised they should talk to Mr. Klakamp to see if he is willing to let us do this.

Next was some examination of daylighting some of the roads. Carmen mentioned that we do not have the equipment to do this and should we consider contracting it out. Ken noted that the best time to do this would be in the fall and they also considered whether this would be beneficial or not.

Next was the upcoming budget meetings. The Supervisor's agreed to do the budget talks in one meeting to be held on Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am at the Town Hall.

The secretary presented to the Board the 2020 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Pension Plan. This informs the governing body of the plan's expected financial obligation for the coming year.

The Supervisor's reviewed the payment options for the sewer facilities upgrade. They will consider all of the options presented and make a decision at the next meeting.

The Supervisors set the Trick or Treat hours for Halloween. Trick or Treating will be on Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Trick or Treaters are to only go to homes with their porch lights on.

The Morgan Subdivision #2 located along Route 957 was next. This subdivision severs 2.33 acres (to be conveyed to Foster) from Parcel No. Wn-002-4714. Douglas Smith made motion to approve the Morgan Subdivision #2 and it was seconded by Carmen Ferranto. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Carmen Ferranto mentioned that he had met with PLGIT and the secretary is currently checking with a couple of other local banking institutions to see what they can offer the Township.

Charlie Morrison advised that Kingsview paving is schedule to start work tomorrow on the areas where we need some spot paving done.

Charlie Morrison made a motion for adjournment at 8:15 PM. Carmen Ferranto seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Sincerely,



Secretary