

MINUTES FOR MEETING OF DECEMBER 9, 2020

The meeting of the Pine Grove Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall. Supervisors present were Carmen Ferranto, Douglas Smith and Linda Farnsworth. Others present were Andy Close, Rich Barrett, Dave McJunkin and Julie Parmenter.

Carmen Ferranto opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag.

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

No visitor comments.

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the November 11, 2020, meeting by Douglas Smith. Linda Farnsworth seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Next was the Treasurer's Report dated December 9, 202. Linda Farnsworth made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and 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 \$30,740.52 for the general fund, \$25,463.75 for the sewer fund, \$6,701.62 for the sewer II fund and \$11,039.74 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.

Dave reported that they have been working on getting the trucks running and they have been working on Big Four Road. He noted that the red truck is still out but should be finished soon. The old blue '98 550 is in service and one of the big blue trucks has some brake problems. They are currently using that truck and trying to figure out the issue.

Dave advised that RAMCO was in and has all the radio's in working order.

Carmen Ferranto brought up the Fire Department's request to have the parking lot, Perrigo Lane and Werner Park tar and chipped. He advised that since the work was not completed this year, it would be scheduled for spring. The Fire Department will be paying for the oil and the township will provide the stone and labor at no cost to the fire department.

The 2021 Budget was reviewed with revenues set at \$567,350.00 and expenses at \$553,200.00. Linda Farnsworth made a motion to approve the 2021 Budget as presented with no tax increase and it was seconded by Douglas Smith. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

It was recognized that the Hazard Mitigation Project Opportunity Form was submitted requesting funding for radio communications needed between the township and fire department.

Some discussion on the LERTA was next, noting that the zones have been designated and the attorney is working on an Ordinance. A public meeting will be held prior to adopting the Ordinance.

There was some talk on broadband and if the supervisors could encourage or facilitate efforts to move this project forward. Carmen Ferranto advised that he has spoken with Mr. Lockett about this as he has knowledge on this subject. Rich Barrett indicated that DFT Communications is servicing some area residents. It was suggested that after the first of the year they get a plan started and possibly put a work group together.


Employee bonuses were discussed, it was decided employees will receive a gift card. Douglas Smith made a motion to give \$100 and it was seconded by Linda Farnsworth.

The Supervisors suggested that after the first of the year a public hearing should be scheduled for the options on Big Four Road. Rich Barrett inquired as to the status of the Big Four Road for this winter. It will not be closed yet but the no winter maintenance status will remain in effect.

The Jones Subdivision located along River Bend Drive was next. This subdivision severs Parcel 2 (.23 acres) from Tax Parcel #WN-254-254 (Parcel 1). Douglas Smith made motion to approve the Jones Subdivision and it was seconded by Carmen Ferranto. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Douglas Smith made a motion for adjournment at 8:00 pm. Carmen Ferranto seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Sincerely,


Secretary