

MINUTES FOR MEETING OF OCTOBER 13, 2021

The meeting of the Pine Grove Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall. Supervisors present were Carmen Ferranto, Douglas Smith and Linda Farnsworth via telephone. Other's present were Will Kopf, Arthur Sager, Andy Close, Jim Seder, 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.

Arthur Sager wanted to express his thanks and appreciation to the Supervisor's and road crew for the work that was done on the boat launch at Larimer Park. It was noted that a sign will be installed next year when they have a ribbon cutting ceremony during Pine Grove Days. Art mentioned that they are trying to figure out a way get a road to the launch, they have a couple of ideas that will need to be looked into further. He also mentioned that Nate Welker presented more grants that may be beneficial. The Supervisor's would like to see the park develop further for the community.

Mr. Kopf attended the meeting to request that the extensions of Elmwood, Maplewood and Beechwood revert back to the property owners. The roads leading to the planned building lots have never been developed and there is no plan to do so. DEP has denied a permit for stream crossing for this location. They do have any issue with relinquishing this to the property owners, although a Resolution may need to be adopted. The Supervisors will do some research on this and get back to Mr. Kopf.

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the September 8, 2021, meeting by Linda Farnsworth. Douglas Smith seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Douglas Smith made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report dated October 13, 2021. Carmen Ferranto 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 \$134,177.63 for the general fund, \$21,154.08 for the sewer fund, \$7,509.21 for the sewer II fund, \$3.00 for the state fund and \$10,703.10 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 Linda Farnsworth. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Dave advised that the work on Hurlberg Road is finished. The road is still closed to traffic due to the fact that the road is soft and needs to set up before it can be opened. They are working with Farmington Township on the north end of Townline Road. They are getting equipment ready for the winter season. Dave is also requesting quotes on crushing the millings we have at the pit.

There was some talk on roads that will need to be looked at for the budget planning purposes.

The property located at 12 N. Main Street was discussed. There has not been any work on this building for some time now. Stone Consulting has been contacted and an agreement was presented by them for an exterior inspection of the building. A motion was made by Linda Farnsworth to accept the agreement from Stone Consulting for their services at a cost of \$500. Douglas Smith seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Next item was **RESOLUTION #10-13-21** for the destruction of specific records. Carmen Ferranto made a motion to pass **RESOLUTION #10-13-21** authorizing destruction of the records listed on the Resolution. Douglas Smith seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

It was noted that a resident mentioned the flag in front of the office is displayed 24 hours and it should be properly illuminated during the hours of darkness. Rich Barrett offered to get some information on where to get a light and he will let us know.

Carmen Ferranto requested that each Supervisor voice their opinion on how they may vote on the Big Four Road issue. Linda Farnsworth is in favor of closing this road due to safety issues. Douglas Smith is also in favor of closure for the same reasons. Carmen Ferranto is also leaning toward closure of the road for safety and maintenance problems. There was a discussion on ways to proceed if it is vacated. This was not an official vote.

The Supervisors noted that at the 8:30 am Friday, October 15th there would be a budget meeting.

Carmen Ferranto informed the other Supervisors that the water operator is retiring and the Municipal Authority is in the process of hiring 2 new operators with a possible third operator as back up. Jim Seder inquired as to what is involved in this job. Carmen Ferranto described what is needed to do the job.

The property maintenance is ready and needs to be finalized in the next week and then forwarded on to the attorney for review. It was stated that the Supervisors officially hired a code enforcement officer who is a Pennsylvania State Constable.

A small flow treatment facility system for Daniel Sorvelli was reviewed. **RESOLUTION #10-14-21** for the Daniel Sorvelli small flow treatment facility was presented to the Supervisor's. Linda Farnsworth made a motion to pass **RESOLUTION #10-14-21**. It was seconded by Douglas Smith. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Next was the Grant Subdivision located along Norberg Road. This subdivision severs Lot 2 (10.27 acres) from Tax Parcel WN-2-3832 (Lot 1). A motion was made by Linda Farnsworth to approved the Grant Subdivision and it was seconded by Carmen Ferranto. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Linda Farnsworth inquired about the upcoming Route 62 project and the turning lanes at the Akeley intersection requested by the Supervisors. PennDOT is not putting a turning lane in.

Rich Barrett advised that he will be attending a class to update the EMS Plan.

Linda Farnsworth made a motion for adjournment at 8:12 PM. Carmen Ferranto seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Sincerely,


Secretary