

MINUTES FOR MEETING OF OCTOBER 11, 2023

The regular meeting of the Pine Grove Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. Supervisors present were Douglas Smith, Linda Farnsworth and Robert Nelson. Others present were Jim Seder, Dave McJunkin and Julie Parmenter.

Doug Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag.

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

A motion was made to approve the minutes for the October 6, 2023 meeting by Bob Nelson. Linda Farnsworth seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Doug Smith made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report dated October 11, 2023. Bob Nelson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Bob Nelson made a motion to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$92,398.37 for the general fund, \$21,292.08 for the sewer fund, \$6,822.62 for the sewer II fund, \$73,739.41 for state fund and \$8,926.43 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 reported that have been putting sluice pipes in on Gouldtown Road. He stated that he wanted to get the pipes replaced before they seal coat the road. They are hopeful that, possibly, next year they might be able to seal coat this road.

Linda noted that a neighbor asked her to extend their thanks to the road crew for cleaning out the ditches.

Dave advised that he has had some people come to look at the blue truck to do the needed repairs. So far, no one seems to be interested in taking this on. Dave noted that Dykes could do the work. Bob asked Dave if he had given any thought to purchasing a new truck. The Supervisors advised that they feel Dave needs to spec out a new truck and start the process of getting one on order.

There was some discussion on Dave's upcoming surgery and what to do if they need someone to fill in if any snowplowing would need to be done. They talked about bringing in a previous employee but there is some question on how this might affect his pension plan. The secretary will check with PSATS on having a former employee plow, if it allowable through the pension plan.

Next was the health insurance renewal. After some review of the medical coverage options and the premiums, the Supervisors decided to renew with the Highmark Performance Blue PPO \$1,500 Gold Plan with the presented renewal rate. Doug Smith made a motion to renew with Highmark Performance Blue PPO \$1500 Gold and it was seconded by Linda Farnsworth. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Linda Farnsworth spoke about the Larimer Park sign that ROAR is in the process of replacing. The Supervisors noted that the road crew could remove the old sign when the time comes. The Township is willing to help with some of the cost of the sign, if needed. The Supervisors will wait to see what other funding sources are obtained.

The secretary advised that Mr. Harrington requested, if possible, that a "No Outlet" sign located at the corner of Sylvan and Oak Lane be moved. He advised the secretary that there are trees blocking this and wondered if it could be moved across the road. The road crew will look at this to see if the sign can be relocated.

Next was review of the budget. The Supervisors finished setting the remaining expenses and tentatively set the 2024 amounts.

Doug Smith made a motion for adjournment at 8:35 PM. Bob Nelson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Sincerely,


Secretary