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June 11, 2018 MEETING MINUTES

The June 11, 2018 meeting of the Madison Township Supervisors was called to order by Michelle Densberger at 7:00 PM. Also attending the meeting was Terry Rider & Glenn Titman.

Guests in attendance: Gary Williams, Nancy Welliver, Connie Crawford, Diana Leighow, Tom Killian, Bob & Mary McWilliams, Bob Deihl, Darla Hess, Sandy Whispell, William Snyder, Mark Hartzel, Jason Rishel, Heather Mausteller, other guests, and Holly Greenly.

Recognition of Guests:

Bill Scott, PE CME-Bassett Engineering

A returning resident to Madison Township was recognized.

Reports & Presentation:

Bill Scott presented plans that were resubmitted to PA DEP for GP11 permit. The bridges that are to be repaired are Camp Road over Hemlock Creek, Christy Hill Road over Black Run, Deihl Road over tributary to Mud Creek, Lyons Road over Black Run and Slate Road over Spruce Run. Bridge work bid are expected to be out the week of June 18, 2018. The bids are expected to be awarded on July 19, 2018 at a special meeting.

Valley Road Bridge- Bassett Engineering will submit documentation to apply for a Multimodal Grant from DECD to replace culverts.

Motion by Michelle Densberger 2nd by Terry Rider. Motion carried

Motion: To proceed forward with the Multimodal Grant.

The May 14, 2018 meeting minutes were reviewed.

Motion by Glenn Titman 2nd by Terry Rider. Motion carried

Motion: Accept the May 14, 2018 monthly minutes.

Financial Report:

The Financial Report was reviewed.

When is Community Aid payments received was asked. Payments are received quarterly.

Motion by Terry Rider 2nd by Glenn Titman. Motion carried

Motion: Accept the financial report as submitted and pay the bills

Municipal Authority: Nancy Welliver said the meeting was not held.

Planning Commission: Michelle Densberger said the meeting was not held.

Transfer Tax Report: (1)

From Margaret Andrews to Frank Hoffman, Samuel Fisher to Stephen Stoltzfus, Sadie Roberts to Chad Hurley, Klein Gross to Stephen Price, Carl Dildine to Craig Fester, and Lindsay Hauser to

Stephanie Benedict. Total distribution from transfers was \$8,917.51.

SEO Report: (1) Chris Bower claimed 53.25 hrs. of work for \$812.06.

Permit Officer Report: (1) Development permit fees totaled \$1,180.00 for four permits issued.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer Report: (N/A)

Tax Collector Report (1)

Collected for the taxing district \$1,197.55

Due to the tax collector was \$95.81

Road Master Report: Terry Rider presented his report. **See attached report.**

How much money was spent for stone hauling and how much stone is hauled was asked. The amounts shown on the financial report was over a two month time period. 3 of the township trucks equal one triaxle truck load by the hauler. The supervisors responded it is more feasible to have a stone hauler to save on costs.

Questions were asked on stone hauling bids and were the bids based on location of the work being done. Township supervisors responded stone is hauled to the site if possible. Haulers are paid based on mileage. A stone hauling cost vs. where stone is purchased from and cost discussion ensued.

Demonstrations of mini excavators are being done by the road crew.

Police Report: Hemlock Township Police report was presented. **See attached report.**

Old Business:

Daily Express- no response from them pertaining to damages they have caused. They will be called again.

New Business:

Hartzel Road property update- Connie Crawford presented tax documentation she submitted to the county. A discussion ensued among residents about how to purchase the property. Chris Bower sent the property owner a certified zoning letter in June. The solicitor and police department will be consulted on this issue for solutions. A nuisance ordinance may have to be considered to resolve this issue.

Tar & Chip- The deadline for purchasing Dust Oil and Tar & Chip payments are due June 18, 2018. The equipment and supplies needed to do the work is being gathered. Bids will go out soon. Information and cost estimates on road work the township would like pursue this summer were reviewed. Grants available for road work were discussed.

Sandy Whispell questioned the amount of money the township has and what part of it will be spent. Supervisor's road work budget is based on preliminary amounts prior to estimates received from PENN DOT. She also questioned what the safety budget money is for. Michelle explained what is earmarked out of the safety funds and what is paid out of this budget. Darla Hess questioned do we have enough full time staff to do the road work. The township is running a full crew 3 or 4 days a week to do roadwork the supervisors responded. Financing versus purchasing equipment was also discussed.

Equipment Operator Position- Three applicants were interviewed.

Motion by Michelle Densberger 2nd by Terry Rider. Motion carried.

Motion: To waive hiring for this position right now.

Equipment purchase- Prices were gathered on purchasing a mini excavator. The mini excavators were demonstrated by the road crew. The machine operator's input on the equipment is being considered. The equipment can be purchased through COSTARS and NJPA. A question about warranty and machine part availability was asked. The warranty is slightly better for the Volvo machine. Part availability is close by.

Payment for equipment purchase- The quotes acquired for financing was reviewed. The options available in financing, what would be needed as collateral, when the machinery financed would be able to be used all were discussed.

Equipment needed and what will be out for bid was discussed for dust oil/ tar & chip work.

Motion by Michelle Densberger 2nd by Dale Titman. Motion carried.

Motion: To get all the required documentation ready for bid to do the dust oil/ tar & chip work for the Workshop meeting.

NJPA membership- Membership is free to join. The township will be allowed to get better prices on equipment, office equipment, playground equipment that is new.

Motion by Michelle Densberger 2nd by Terry Rider. Motion carried.

Motion: To have the Township sign up for NJPA.

Penn Dot signs & Banners in Row- Notice was given from Penn Dot. A phone call was made to the insurance company. The insurance company suggested that the Township not give permission or enact an ordinance for ROW signs. If a sign is put in the road ROW it is the liability of the sign owner. The township will not have any liability for this issue.

Motion by Michelle Densberger 2nd by Terry Rider. Motion carried.

Motion: To do not adopt an ordinance or allow signs in the ROW.

DCED request- DCED asked if the Township would allow a flyer to be put on their website. The solicitor will be asked his thoughts on this issue.

PSATS Youth Poster Contest- The PSATS youth poster contest was discussed. Brian Nichols will be given information for the Adventuring Group and the Boy Scouts. Michelle will look into seeing if there is a local Girl Scout troop.

Municipal Authority Hook-up- Terri Swartz was inquiring about a hook up. Nancy Welliver said the hook up is there the property owner is responsible to hire someone to hook up there system to the line.

Correspondence:

The incoming correspondences received were announced. Correspondence newsletter, news bulletins, notices, and seminars available.

For the Good of the Township:

Motion by Dale Titman 2nd by Michelle Densberger to adjourn at 9:10. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Holly Greenly
Secretary-Treasurer