

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

112 Municipal Lane  
Prosperity, PA 15329  
August 17, 2021

**MEETING MINUTES**

Walter Stout, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

In attendance were Supervisors Walter Stout, Charles Hickman and Troy Smith, Secretary Diane Headlee and township resident, Tom Ayres.

I. Requests to Address the Board/Public Comment

There were no requests to address the Board.

II. Correspondence and Reports

1. Received Correspondence:

- Word has been received from PennDOT that they are in the planning stages of a bridge replacement project on WW Railroad Road (SR 4029) in Swarts (near the intersection of WW & Dille Roads.
- Mr. Stout reviewed information regarding the changes to the PA Sunshine Law as required by Act 65. Effective on August 29, 2021, meeting agendas for all local government boards (ex. Planning, Zoning and Park boards) must be posted 24 hours prior to a meeting at the location of the meeting. There are also provision requirements for adding items to the posted agenda. A copy of the Act 65 Fact Sheet will be filed in the Minute Book File.

2. Planning Board:

- There were no items ready for action so the August 5th meeting was cancelled.

3. Zoning Board:

- No meeting.

4. Park Board:

- No meeting

5. Roadmaster's Report

- The road crew worked on preparing the roads in anticipation of tar and chipping. They removed trees and limbs from the township roads, and trimmed low hanging limbs, and mowed along the road banks. Trimmed limbs around the park and mowed the grass at the park and office. Also cleaned leaves and other debris from ditches and from around culverts. They also continue to do necessary equipment maintenance. Our contractor, Suit-Kote completed the tar/chipping on August 10 and 11. They did an excellent job and we have received no complaints from the public.

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6. Solicitor's Remarks

- Mr. Makel was not in attendance; however Mr. Stout reported that as approved at the July 13, 2021 meeting, Mr. Makel is pursuing action against Y-B Logging for damages done and the lack of repairs to Hemlock Road.

III. Discussion & Action Items

A. Routine

1. The Chairman asked the Board for a motion to approve the Agenda without an Addendum. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Troy Smith. Motion carried.
2. The Chairman asked the Board for a motion to approve the Minutes of the July 13, 2021, regular meeting as presented, with no additions or corrections. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Walter Stout. Motion carried.

B. Specific

1. Business Operations

a. Approval of Treasurer's Report for period ending July 31, 2021

	<u>General</u>	<u>Liquid Fuels</u>	<u>Machinery</u>
Beginning Balance	\$ 442,908.45	\$ 161,797.90	\$ 16,216.99
Revenues	16,496.41	134.11	222.69
Expenditures	<u>-35,676.32</u>	<u>-28,446.62</u>	<u>-5,575.00</u>
Ending Balance	\$ 423,728.54	\$ 133,485.39	\$ 10,864.68

	<u>Fire Fund</u>		<u>Impact Fee</u>
Beginning Balance	\$ 11,822.39	Beginning Balance	\$ 1,587,418.32
Revenues	116.28	Revenues - Interest	306.11
Expenditures	<u>-50.00</u>	Other	467,457.91
Ending Balance	\$ 11,888.67	Expenditures	<u>-1,826.02</u>
		Ending Balance	\$ 2,053,356.32

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve the Treasurer's report for the period ending July 31, 2021, and direct that it be filed for audit. The motion was made by Troy Smith and seconded by Charles Hickman. Motion carried.

b. Bills & Transfers for Approval for All Funds – July 2021

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve the payment of the monthly bills, payroll, and intra-fund transfers, as listed on the attached, from the following accounts:

General Fund	\$ 35,831.17
Liquid Fuels Fund	5,272.24
Machinery Fund	2,675.00

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Impact Fund	1,826.02
Fire Fund	<u>50.00</u>
Total Bills & Wages for Approval	\$ 45,654.43

The motion was made by Troy Smith and seconded by Walter Stout. Motion carried.

c. 2021-22 Impact Fund Spending Plan

As announced at the July meeting, the township received \$467,457.91 from the PA Act 13 Impact Fee fund. The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve the 2021-22 Township Spending Plan of the 2020 Impact Fee funding in the amount of \$467,457.91 received in July 202. (See Minute Book file for the spending plan). The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Walter Stout. Motion carried.

d. Contribution of Waynesburg-Franklin Twp VFC – Impact Fee Fund

Pursuant to the July 14, 2020 action taken by the Supervisors to contribute \$50,000 to Washington Township’s primary fire responder, Waynesburg-Franklin Twp. Volunteer Fire Company toward the purchase of a new fire engine and equipment, the Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to make the second of three payments of \$16,670 from the Impact Fee Fund. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Walter Stout. Motion carried.

2. Township Supervisors

a. Agreements, Contracts

1. Heavy Hauling Agreement Renewal – Consol Coal

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve a one-year renewal of Heavy Hauling Agreements with Consol Pennsylvania Coal Co. LLC, for the following township roads: Pettit Road (T-409), Tower Road (T-411) and Morris Road (T-414) with an effective date of August 1, 2021 to July 31, 2022 for a fee of \$300.00 per roadway pursuant to the approved Schedule of Fees, and pending receipt of the corrected road bonds. The motion was made by Troy Smith and seconded by Charles Hickman. Motion carried.

2. Heavy Hauling Agreement Renewals – EQT Production Co.

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve the one-year renewal of Heavy Hauling Agreements, dated July 1, 2021 with EQT Production Co. for the following township roads: Bailey Hollow Road (T-561), Craig’s Run Road (T-558), Craynes Run Road (T-551), East Dividing Ridge Road (T-657), West Dividing Ridge Road (T-658), Fisher Hollow Road (T-559), Good Hill Road (T-557), Pettit Road (T-409) and Wilman Hill Road (T-552) for a fee of \$300.00 per roadway, pursuant to the approved Schedule of Fees. The motion was made by Troy Smith and seconded by Charles Hickman. Motion carried.

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### 3. Heavy Hauling Agreement Renewal – EQM Gathering Opco, LLC

The Chairman asked the Board to consider a motion to approve the one-year renewal of the Heavy Hauling Agreements, with EQM Gathering Opco, LLC for Pettit Road (T-409), and Breakneck Road (T-404), with an effective date of September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022, for a fee of \$300.00 per roadway pursuant to the approved Schedule of Fees. The motion was made by Charles Hickman and seconded by Walter Stout. Motion carried.

### IV. New Business

Mr. Stout reported that the Supervisors have requested that Mr. Makel prepare and forward a proposed timbering/logging harvesting ordinance for consideration by the township supervisors.

### V. Information & Announcements

- The following roads (portions or entire length) were oiled and chipped on August 10th & 11th by this year's successful bidder, Suit-Kote.
  - Boyd Road
  - Breakneck Road
  - Byard Road
  - Cemetery Road
  - Craynes Run Road
  - Edgar Hill
  - Long Mile Road
  - Peach Tree Lane

#### Upcoming Meetings

- Supervisor's Regular Meeting, Tuesday, September 14, at 7:00 p.m.
- Planning Board, Thursday, September 2, at 7:30 p.m. (if needed).
- Zoning Hearing Board, as needed.
- Park Board meets as needed.

### VI. Public Comment/Questions

There were no additional comments.

### VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM on a motion by Charles Hickman, seconded by Troy Smith, with all voting 'aye'.

s/ Walter S. Stout Chairman

s/ P. Diane Headlee Secretary/Treasurer