

Perry Township Supervisors

Minutes

March 10, 2020

Call to order at 6:00 p.m. by facilitator Frank Basile, Chairman. Board members present: Ronald Howard and Mickey Lemley with secretary, Chris Jarrell. Pledge to Flag

Public in Attendance: George F. Wolfe, Harry Morris, Marlene DeWitt, March Raddish, John Raddish, Carl Basile, Dreama Frazier, John Frazier, Elizabeth Wolfe, Josh Huffman, Cheryl Bennett.

Public Comments: (all comments are limited to no more than 5 minutes per person). George Wolfe had requested to be on the Agenda. Mr. Wolfe thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak and wished to address 2 issues. The first being the placement of No Truck signs on Locust Ave which has dramatically increased the truck traffic on Wades Run Road. Mr. Wolfe contacted the Planning Commission Office and was told no engineering studies were done in regards to the sign placement. Mr. Wolfe is concerned about the condition of the bridge on Wade's Run. He stated the bridge is in disrepair and has not had maintenance done on it in years. There are holes and crumbling of the structure. President Basile explained that the bridge is not owned by the Township and they cannot maintain it but Mr. Wolfe felt the County told him it is their responsibility. Mr. Wolfe addressed the condition of Wades Run – especially since a pipe was installed and there is still a ditch/dip in the road. The berms need addressed as water runs off and causes ice to accumulate. The Wolfe's would like to see the Police patrolling the road more to address the truck traffic. Mr. Wolfe inquired why some people receive special treatment such as Rick Smith being allowed to drive equipment on the roads. President Basile stated that the Township does not give anyone special permission to drive their equipment and the Township cannot stop local deliveries from being on the roads. President Basile offered to take down the No Truck signs and Mr. Wolfe was pleased with that option. The condition of the bridge will be addressed with the County and Greene Co. Regional Police will be asked to patrol the area and observe truck traffic for compliance.

Mr. Wolfe's second item was the new street light installed at the intersection of Locust/Wades Run. He stated the light is crooked and causes a blinding spot in the intersection. If it was installed for the new Restaurant location, he felt it should be on their pole and lighting up their parking and sidewalk and the Restaurant should be paying for it – not the taxpayers. President Basile stated the light was not installed for the Restaurant, it was installed for the intersection.

Elizabeth Wolfe addressed the board. Ms. Wolfe presented pictures of the damage that was done to the Stone monuments constructed by her father. The Wolfe's were not at home at the time it was hit so they do not have a description of the vehicle but believe it was damaged by a truck/trailer. She also is concerned with the increased traffic, people run into their yard and road berm. She requested that the signs be removed and increased police patrols as well.

Marlene DeWitt of 235 Dunkard Avenue addressed the board regarding a street light. Mrs. DeWitt explained she and her neighbors are mostly elderly and the whole street is dark. Various illegal activities have been observed by Mrs. DeWitt and her home has been broken in to at least 4 times recently. She fears for her safety. West Penn did install a new street light but it is no where near her home. The Supervisors reported there is not a pole on or near her property but will contact West Penn to see if anything else can be done. Mrs. DeWitt also stated she was robbed at the Post Office and inquired why they do not have cameras. The Post Office is a government facility that the Supervisors do not have authority over.

Marcy Raddish inquired as to the increased cost of police protection. She questioned at the last meeting it was discussed that the police costs for this year are an additional almost \$30,000 and she feels this is very expensive for the amount of hours it increased. She has only noticed them sitting out by the interstate and feels they should patrol other areas as well.

John Frazier asked about the letter that went out to 320 residents about Greg Evans closing his driveway. Judge Toothman handed down an order for the Circuit Clerk's office to notify the high number of residents due to the ongoing civil action involving paper alleys.

John Raddish asked if there are grants available to install city water. The Supervisors explained they have tried for years to get water to Shriver Hill but income levels have prevented any grants and the cost of installation is too great for only a few homes. Work will continue to be done to investigate any grants for water service.

Old Business: None

New Business:

A motion is needed to approve the minutes of the board meeting on February 11, 2020. Motion by Mickey Lemley seconded by Ronald Howard. Vote: All in favor.

Treasurers Report: A motion is needed to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay any bills.

General Fund & Special Funds: \$26,281.09 Payroll funds: \$21,566.02

Motion by Mickey Lemley seconded by Ronald Howard. Vote: All in favor.

A motion is needed to advertise for road materials, gasoline and diesel fuel for 2020-2021. Motion by Ronald Howard seconded by Mickey Lemley. Vote: All in favor.

Pittsburgh Southwest Industries has presented an invoice for payment for moving equipment in to begin the Fox Run slide project. The invoice totals \$15,048.00. Motion to pay invoice out of Act 13 funds by Ronald Howard seconded by Mickey Lemley. Vote: All in favor.

Renewal of mowing services by J&A Landscaping at an estimated price of \$45/week for the Community Center, \$70/week for mowing the Lions Club field and \$80/bi-weekly or when needed to weed eat the banks at the Lions Club field. Motion by Mickey Lemley seconded by Ronald Howard to approve the estimate. Vote: All in favor.

David Horvath presented an application to build a recreational cabin on his property located on Watkins Run. Vince Alfieri spoke with Mr. Horvath to make sure he was aware of the rules and regulations regarding a recreational cabin. There are no building codes for such so Mr. Horvath is approved to proceed.

Perry Township Recreation Board has requested \$300 for games/crafts to be held in conjunction with Breakfast with the Bunny. Motion by Mickey Lemley seconded by Ronald Howard. Motion carried.

Clean up day has been scheduled for Saturday, May 2, 2020 from 8:00 – 2:00. Mountain State Waste will again hold the event at their location.

The Fox Run Slide repair project is scheduled to begin soon once all legal documents are completed.

A motion to adjourn at 6:46 p.m. was made by Ronald Howard Seconded by Mickey Lemley. Vote: All in favor.