

MAHONING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
MINUTES
February 27, 2019

CALL TO ORDER:

John Wieczorek called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM at the Mahoning Township Building, 2685 Mahoning Drive East, Lehighton, PA 18235

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: John Wieczorek led the Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENT:

John Wieczorek, Vice Chairman; Bruce Steigerwalt, Supervisor; Robert Slaw, Supervisor; Myron Blahy, Supervisor; Thomas Nanovic, Solicitor and Natalie D. Haggerty, Secretary-Treasurer

ABSENT:

Franklin Ruch arrived 6:20PM

PUBLIC COMMENT:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION

Bruce Steigerwalt made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 27, 2019 Board of Supervisors Meeting. Seconded by John Wieczorek. John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, abstain 3-0 vote. Motion carried

NEW BUSINESS:

Sierra Vista Estates Residential Development Preliminary Plans (Revision Date January 30,2019

MOTION

John Wieczorek made a motion for an extension of time for the review of the Sierra Vista Estates Revised Preliminary Plan (revision date January 30, 2019) to March 27, 2019. Seconded by Myron Blahy. John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 4-0 vote. Motion carried.

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Handicap Parking Request Lisa Feller 705 N. First Street

MOTION

Bruce Steigerwalt made a motion to approve handicap parking request contingent upon clarification from PennDOT if we have the authority to erect sign on state road. Seconded by Myron Blahy. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

Mahoning Valley Ambulance: EIT Volunteer Credit Certificate
(Jeffrey Miller)

MOTION

Bruce Steigerwalt made a motion to grant Mahoning Valley Ambulance Volunteer Jeffrey Miller EIT Volunteer Credit Certificate. Seconded by John Wieczorek. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

Agility Agreement

An agreement was provided between the township and PennDOT. The township is looking to wash our trucks at their facility with their system. In turn we would provide a service for them. The agreement doesn't address what we will be supplying in return. How do you put a value on a truck wash vs what we will do for them? Proceed with agility agreement but don't sign off until we know what PennDOT wants as a service. Nevin should price shop around for other prices for a pressure washer.

Strohl Sanitation

MOTION

John Wieczorek made a motion to pay \$320.00 to Strohl Sanitation. Seconded by Bruce Steigerwalt. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wieczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

CDBG Application 2019

Reach out to David Bodnar to see if we can use 2016 monies if it extends beyond the three years and if 2018 monies have been received. Check with Pete Eisenbrown to provide an updated 2019 cost estimate.

OLD BUSINESS:

Joseph Bennett 619 Iron Street Leighton. I want to thank all for listening to presentation about a month ago. I had hopes of speaking to PennDOT regarding their issues in condemnation of our property. Refresher given by Mr. Bennett, we own property to right of Aldi. A year ago, we met with the folks of PennDOT to ask them to move the detention pond to the rear of the property. PennDOT has engineered the property for a detention pond that hurts this township. It's valuable property. I ask that you write a letter to PennDOT and ask them to re look at their engineering

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due to zero tax dollars coming into this township (his and the property between Lowe's and KIA). I certainly want to work with PennDOT but when they won't meet with me due to my entering my appearance. Where are you in the condemnation? I filed objection to the taking. A record has been filed with a set of plans with notes of condemnation has been recorded at the court house. In addition, the NPDES Permit almost completed as well.

CORRESPONDENCE:

John Wiczorek made a motion to accept and place on file the correspondence dated February 27, 2019. Seconded by Myron Blahy. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wiczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

***HOLLY HEINTZELMAN, ATTORNEY

RE: MTMA REQUESTS TO REVIEW SIERRA VISTA PLAN PRIOR TO GIVING IT APPROVAL. TAPPING FEES MUST BE PAID PRIOR TO PLAN APPROVAL
Drop off at Holly Heintzelman's office.

***APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT, ROAD DEPARTMENT

RE: STEVE KLOTZ, 449 N 8TH STREET LEHIGHTON
MOTION

Bruce Steigerwalt made a motion to accept and place on file Steve Klotz application for employment. Seconded by Myron Blahy. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wiczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes, Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

***APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT, ROAD DEPARTMENT

RE: MICHAEL HAHN, 333 3RD STREET LEHIGHTON

Bruce Steigerwalt made a motion to accept and place on file Michael Hahn application for employment. Seconded by Myron Blahy. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wiczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes, Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

***LTAP

RE: PAVEMENT MARKINGS, APPLICATION AND MAINTENANCE MARCH 7, 2019
8:00AM- 12:00PM

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police Committee: Nothing

Road Committee:

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1. Dirt and Gravel Road Projects: Nevin is interested in renewing his certification on April 2 and 3, 2019, no fees.

MOTION

Bruce Steigerwalt made a motion to approve Nevin Frey request to attend Dirt & Gravel Road on April 2 and 3, 2019. Seconded by Myron Blahy. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wiczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

2. Emergency repair on the Western plow on the Dodge. Lower frame bent, repaired at a cost of \$630.00.
3. Peterbuilt has been returned to service at a cost of \$7700. See if anything is a warranty work. Fan \$1200 not authorized.
4. March 19, 2019 training with COG sweeper. All three of our guys should be trained. Should provide a list of all certified.

MOTION

Bruce Steigerwalt made a motion to authorize all three road department employees to attend street sweeper training. Seconded by Myron Blahy. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wiczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

5. The Borough of Lehighton agreed to service work on the asphalt zipper when we first acquired it; now the COG wants an estimate of cost first.
6. PSATS Convention, Nevin would like to attend for one day. \$160.00 for registration.

MOTION

Bruce Steigerwalt made a motion to authorize attendance for Nevin Frey to attend PSATS Convention. Seconded by Myron Blahy. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wiczorek, no; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 4-1 vote. Motion carried.

7. Clark Loader issue with brakes and heater core. Nevin will consult with Mr. Andrews in Lehighton Borough.
8. Hot Box on municibid is gone, however there is a 2008 F550 Ford with western plow and beat box, it will expire in eight days. New truck is \$80,000.00.

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9. Pull applications we have on file for road department.
10. Nevin took a call from Kraftco. They will bring machine here and show us a sealing demonstration. Free training.

OFFICIALS:

Myron Blahy: Questioned drain pipe on Pine Hollow its all crumbled up. Need to do road inspections first.

Bruce Steigerwalt: Act 172, Individuals that volunteer in borough but live in Mahoning and are not receiving the credit, does the township want to add. Is it something we want to pursue? Place on next agenda.

John Wiczorek: Attended the Carbon County Tax Committee Meeting

Natalie Haggerty: Asplundh Spraying, send him an email.

Franklin Ruch: Executive session for contract negotiation discussion will not be any new business.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION

John Wiczorek made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 PM Seconded by Myron Blahy. Franklin Ruch, yes; John Wiczorek, yes; Bruce Steigerwalt, yes; Robert Slaw, yes and Myron Blahy, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Natalie D. Haggerty

Secretary-Treasurer