

COVINGTON TOWNSHIP
Board of Supervisors
Regular Monthly Meeting
August 14, 2017

The August 14, 2017 regular monthly meeting of the Covington Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Covington Township Municipal Building at 114 East Hill Road, Covington PA. Chairman Stuart Lisowski called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. Present along with the Chairman was Supervisor Frank Yungwirth, Supervisor Richard Powlison and Secretary Nicole Bennett.

Chairman Lisowski asked for Public Comments on Agenda items only.

Minutes of the meeting held July 10, 2017 were reviewed and approved.

Motion to pass: 1st – S. Lisowski, 2nd – R. Powlison, all ayes.

The Treasurers Report was reviewed and approved.

Motion to pass: 1st – S. Lisowski, 2nd – R. Powlison, all ayes.

The Deposit Report was reviewed and approved.

Motion to pass: 1st – S. Lisowski, 2nd – R. Powlison, all ayes.

The Bills List was reviewed and motion was made to pay bills.

Motion to pass: 1st – S. Lisowski, 2nd – R. Powlison, all ayes.

The Real Estate Transfer Report was reviewed.

Motion to pass: 1st – R. Powlison, 2nd – S. Lisowski, all ayes.

Payroll/Employee Hours Report was reviewed.

Road Master Report: Mowing completed, discussion on purchase of mower we rented for 2 weeks. Once purchased, able to get mowing completed as needed. Hilfiger Road from Dirt & Gravel road program (pictures were available on the TV for residents to look at), have moved onto Kendrick Road and also started working on East Creek Rd. Supervisor Lisowski advised that went up to look at road, due to pipeline up there and tearing up road. All Supervisors made decision to monitor road, as long as they put road back to how it was prior to them tearing up all is okay. Road Bond is in place. Road Master is also starting on permits for Dirt & Gravel Road Program 2018.

Zoning Report: Zoning Violations report was reviewed. Nothing has changed in regards to Rodriguez, although been in contact with Solicitor and pushing forward to take them to District Court, that of which hearing is set for September 18, 2017. Supervisors advised would like to follow up with Pat Barrett in regards to trailer on property on N. Williamson Rd as we have been in contact with who purchased trailer and will not return any phone calls.

No Building Permits to review.

No Sewer Permits to review.

OLD BUSINESS

- Covington Township Supervisors property on East Hill Road, Secretary advised spoke with Appalachian Basin, they are willing to do research on property and title search. Although they are busy until near end of August. Suggested setting a budget, as they charge \$47.00/hr. **Motion** was made by S. Lisowski and seconded by R. Powlison to set budget at \$500.00 for Appalachian Basin to do title search on property.
- Recycling bin was delivered and is now available Monday – Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm during business hours.
- Letter for First Citizens and check to be signed to put \$100,000.00 CD in place out of Act 13
- Mansfield Borough – Secretary advised spoke with Crystal and they were having a meeting to check to see if extra capacity would be OK for us to run sewer further down towards Blossburg. Will get back in touch when know anything more.
- Discussion on mower from Delmar Township. Supervisor Powlison advised that spoke with them and they are not charging us for 2-week rental on mower, they made a motion at their last meeting to sell mower to Covington Township for the amount of \$28,000.00. **Motion** was made by R. Powlison and seconded by S. Lisowski to purchase mower from Delmar Township for \$28,000.00 as long as is in same condition when we were done using.
- Discussion on Codification. Secretary advised Supervisors that Assistant Secretary did research and we had meeting with General Code on what needs to be done to get our Ordinance Book up to code as nothing has been done since 2014. **Motion** was made by R. Powlison and seconded by S. Lisowski to go with General Codes proposal and pay the \$1,261.00 to get our books up to date.

NEW BUSINESS

- Penn Line Service on Guiderails to put up on Hilfiger Rd. Supervisors asked to get in contact with Chemung Supply and Penn Line and set up meeting to see what their timeline and price would be to have guiderails installed.
- TCATO dues of \$50.00 are due. Convention is set for Thursday September 28, 2017. **Motion** was made to pay dues by S. Lisowski, a second by R. Powlison, all ayes. RSVP attending convention would be – Chairman Lisowski, Supervisor Powlison, Supervisor Yungwirth, Secretary Nicole Bennett and Road Master Nathan Bennett.
- Central Westmoreland Council of Governments 2018 dues are due. Supervisors chose to opt out again this year.
- Secretary asked about ordering uniforms for 2 new road crew employees as will take approx. 2 weeks to get back. Secretary also asked about 90-day evaluations with new employees. Reminded that will be out for Septembers monthly meeting, will be pushing to October meeting and do pay back on raises. Supervisor Powlison also advised that he will not be here for October monthly meeting either.
- Discussion on what to pay Preston for mowing and weed eating at Township building. Foster Marvin asked about having employees do it, Supervisors advised that we lost Temporary Employee and with all work that needs to be done employees are unable to do mowing right

now. **Motion** was made by R. Powlison and a second by S. Lisowski to pay Preston \$25.00 per mowing.

INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Township Meeting will be held September 11, 2017. Reminder that Secretary Nicole Bennett and Supervisor Powlison will both be out and Assistant Secretary Donna Casselberry will be sitting in for Secretary.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

With their being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Bennett
Secretary
Covington Township