Penn Township Supervisor Workshop Meeting October 16, 2019

Chairman Jon Payne called the 10.16.2019 Supervisor Workshop Meeting to order at 6:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present included: Supervisors: Jon Payne, Brenda Moyer, William Moyer, Solicitor, James Bathgate, Secretary-Treasurer Diana Reynolds, and Township Manager, Julie Hartley

Public Present: Rodney Ries, Deb Bordner, Lynn Bressler, Rich Mease, Abbie Sholley, Becky Wilson, Joyce Hendricks, John Walters, Jason Kauffman, and Monty Anders.

On motion by Brenda Moyer, second by William Moyer and Board acclamation, the Board approved the October 1, 2019 supervisor's meeting minutes.

Persons Present to be Heard:

<u>Rick Mease, Selinsgrove Area Recreation, Inc.</u>: Mease discussed the Selinsgrove Area Recreation, Inc. budget and the efforts put into fundraising and obtaining donations. Mease discussed repair work that has been completed at the pool as well as repairs that still need to be done. He also reported on the new programs that the pool offers. The BOS will discuss at the budget meeting a donation to the Selinsgrove Area Recreation Inc. Mease provided a great photo presentation.

Rodney Ries, Penn Valley Airport Authority: Ries discussed the Penn Valley Airport Authority budget and the efforts to get a new owner for the Airport. Currently the Board of Directors are running the operations of Penn Valley Airport Authority. Ries requested a donation from Penn Township. The BOS will discuss at the budget meeting a CY 2020 donation to the Penn Valley Airport Authority.

<u>Abbie Sholley- Draft Comprehensive Plan and Maps</u>: Sholley discussed that the draft Comprehensive Plan will be done in late November.

Lynn Bressler- Community Gardens: Lynn stated the need for a bigger shed for storage with over 80 plots rented. Lynn asked if the Township could prepare a base for the placement of the proposed shed. The BOS asked the Solicitor to draft a document that would leave the Township "Harmless" and with no responsibility when finished. The BOS noted the group needs to obtain a zoning permit and a letter from the State, noting approval for placement of a larger structure. The "appearance" of the general garden area was noted. Bressler indicated she would try to address this matter. On Motion by John Payne, second by Brenda Moyer, and acclamation of the Board, it was approved to utilize the township road crew to prepare a base for said building when all conditions are complete.

<u>Jason Kauffman- DH&L Fire Company:</u> Mr. Kauffman presented the DH&L Fire Co. 2020 budget and reviewed the emergency calls for Penn Township. A new ladder truck will be ordered and take possession 2024-2025. **On Motion by Jon Payne**, second by Brenda Moyer and Board acclamation to budget \$50,000 a year towards a truck fund. When ladder truck is delivered, Penn Township should have a \$250,000 donation.

New Business:

<u>ESCRA</u> -Twp. Solicitor, James Bathgate stated he received a call back from the letter he sent to ESCRA. The BOS would like to send a letter to Tom Ferry and Neil Smith, (Penn Township Representatives on the ESCRA Board) inviting both to the next Supervisor Meeting to discuss issues.

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<u>Steve Anderson Conditional Use Finding for Duplex</u>- On Motion by Jon Payne, second by William Moyer and board acclamation to sign the Conditional Use Findings.

An executive session was called at 7:05 p.m. to discuss personnel issues.

At 7:16 p.m. the board reconvened from the executive session; no decisions were made during the session.

The Board discussed hiring additional road crew. On Motion by Jon Payne, second by Brenda Moyer and Board acclamation, Penn Township will offer employment to Ronald Henry, Todd Schreffler, Brian Ticknor, Glenn Brubaker as Part Time Employees for the Road Crew at 12.50 Hr.

<u>SIDCO:</u> Solicitor, James Bathgate stated he did not receive a call back in response to his letter questioning the responsibility of stormwater in the Pawling Station Business Park after the final lot is sold. Township will follow up.

<u>Everyone's Playground:</u> The cost of camera's were quoted at \$5,120.25.ESRRA has offered to pay 1/3 and the Russell Foundation will pay 1/3, requesting Penn Township pay 1/3 of the cost for additional cameras at the park, that would cover the area at/near the new playground. On Motion by Brenda Moyer, second by William Moyer and board acclamation, Penn Township will share 1/3 of the camera cost.

<u>Audit – Secretary/Treasurer Position</u>: As required, the Township records were audited by the Penn Township Auditors following the departure of Kathy Wendt. The Auditors reported "no findings".

<u>Snyder County Library</u>: Provided a donation request. This request also outlined their budget, programs and Penn Township use. The BOS will discuss at budget meeting the donation.

<u>Richard Hoover Resignation</u>: On Motion by William Moyer, second by Brenda Moyer and board acclamation to accept the resignation on Richard Hoover on the Planning Commission board.

Old Business: No Old Business was discussed.

On Motion by William Moyer, second by Brenda Moyer and board acclamation to pay bills. On Motion William Moyer, second by Jon Payne and board acclamation the October 16, Supervisors Workshop Meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diana Reynolds
Township Secretary/Treasurer

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