

MEETING WEDNESDAY 10-7-15, 7:00 P.M.
Municipal Bldg. 306 Byron Street McGrann

In attendance: Supervisors McGinnis, Rearick and Fabian, Secretary Davis, Kathy Heilman, County Planning Department, Road Foreman Robert Southworth, and Chief Karabin.

Citizens: Matt Pfeil, Sam Iseman, Bill McMaster, Steven Cippel, Carol Fenyes, Helen Smail, Kathy Guth, Jerry Cunningham, Michael O'Hare, Jeff Boarts, Anita Bowser, Pam Augustine and Jonathan Weaver of The Kittanning Paper

Meeting called to order by Chairman McGinnis at 7:00P.M. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Minutes of 9/2/15 regular meeting, 9/28/15 and 10/5/15 special meetings were distributed, motion to approve by McGinnis, seconded by Rearick, unanimous. Kathy Heilman reviewed the 2015 CDBG funds. The first estimate of \$41,725.40 has been received for the Short Street Project; the contractor would be paid \$37,552.86 because 10% is retained until the final paperwork is completed. Rearick made a recommendation to pay Shadco \$37,552.86 for the Short Street Project, seconded by McGinnis, unanimous.

Fabian received a letter from residence in the Hansotti Plan concerning the feral cat problem. Fabian stated Manor Drive and Park Avenue have a considerable amount of cats. Helen Smail stated she wants something done. Fabian called Armstrong Animal and Bug Control and they will remove animals for a fee, they have a contract with Dayton, Vandergrift and East Brady. Some of the neighbors have trapped the cats and taken them to farms. Orphans of the Storm have cages but don't have room for the cats. Davis called the Humane Society and they gave her a number for the Homeless Cat Management Team. Davis called them but there was no answer but will keep trying. Rearick stated in the sample ordinances Davis got from the Solicitor groups trap, neuter and ear nip so they know a cat has been fixed. Kathy Guth didn't like the idea that the cats are released in the same area because they will still be on her roof, Fabian stated he knows a farm that will take the cats once they are fixed. Rearick told the citizens the Board will check into this issue.

Anita Bowser, Director of the Ford City Library, said the library is doing outreach programs. She would like the Board to think about events or locations in Manor Township where they could do some outreach programs. There are approximately 100 Manor Township residents that have non-residence memberships to the library. The fee is \$20.00 per year but if there is a senior citizen in the house the fee is \$10.00. Rearick stated he is in favor of helping in any way we can.

Rearick made a motion to set Trick-or-Treat from 6:00P.M. to 8:00P.M. on October 28th, seconded by Fabian, unanimous.

Rearick made a motion to complete the 2015 ballots for election of trustees for PSATS Unemployment Compensation Group Trust and Pennsylvania Townships Health Insurance Cooperative Trust, seconded by Fabian, unanimous.

Police Business:

Chief Karabin reviewed the police report. Fabian made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Rearick, unanimous. Karabin would like the Board to check with the Solicitor concerning a permit for large parties. Have had several raves in the past years at Falcon Park and his Officer is sent there without any advance notice that there is a party with hundreds of people being held there. He is worried about officer safety. Fabian will contact an individual on the Falcon's Board to see if we could be notified of

any large parties that are planned for that area and Davis will contact the Solicitor for permit regulations.

Other Business:

Rearick had been ask if the police would patrol around the horse park Saturday night. They are having a 2 day craft show and vendors will be leaving there items there overnight.

Rearick made a motion to get estimates to spray the building inside and out for bugs, seconded by McGinnis, unanimous.

Rearick gave information concerning LERTA that he got from Rich Palilla. The tax break only applies to improvements and new construction. Rearick made a motion to pursue the LERTA Township wide for commercial and residential properties with the Armstrong County Planning & Development, seconded by Fabian, unanimous.

Southworth got prices for a refrigerator at the shed. Fabian not in favor of buying a new one he would like it put on facebook and the website to see if we can get one donated. Southworth and Davis got prices for a utility shed for behind the building. This will be discussed at the October 19th meeting.

Comments:

Pam Augustine – stated Boyd Road is in terrible shape and they throw stones in the holes. She was told in the spring a water line will be put on Boyd Road from Hill Street so we will maintain the holes but will not be doing major work there until the waterline is done. Southworth will check the condition of the road tomorrow. Fabian stated he is concerned with the abandoned house with the foundation falling in because of children walking that road. Karabin will look at the police reports to see what is happening with this property.

Matt Pfeil – ask if an AED had been purchased yet, he was told no.

Bill McMaster – Defenders of the Abused is asking for moral support. They are nationwide in 21 states and parts of Australia and the Netherlands. Crime Watch needs more people to attend the meetings; the next meeting is October 30th at 6:00P.M. at the Latin American Club. He would like to be included on the ordinance committee and look at a dead tree ordinance. Fabian stated he hasn't organized a meeting yet. He wanted to know who didn't want the Officers patrolling inside the schools. He doesn't see a problem with this and thinks it is a good idea. Rearick and McGinnis both told him unless there is a problem there is no reason for an Officer to be inside the school. Fabian stated he would like police details twice a month at Lenape because of speeding issues.

Motion to pay the bills by McGinnis, seconded by Rearick, unanimous.

Motion to adjourn by McGinnis, seconded by Rearick, unanimous.

Adjourned at 8:10P.M.

Jill A. Davis
Secretary