

MEETING WEDNESDAY 2-3-16, 6:00 P.M.
Municipal Bldg. 306 Byron Street McGrann

In attendance: Supervisors Rearick, Southworth and Palmer, Secretary Davis, and Chief Karabin.

Citizens: Bill McMaster, Barb Bittinger, Matt Pfeil, Larry Rice, Chad Evans, Patrick Fabian and Jonathan Weaver from The Kittanning Paper.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Rearick at 6:00P.M. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Minutes of 1/4/16 special and regular meetings, 1/21/16 and 1/27/16 special meetings were distributed, motion to approve by Rearick, seconded by Southworth, unanimous.

Larry Rice explained if there isn't a NIMS resolution it could affect grant money and money given in a disaster. This training can be done on line, the fire hall is all compliant. Rearick made a motion to adopt Resolution 16-1 Implementing the National Incident Management System to be compliant, seconded by Palmer, unanimous.

Rearick made a motion for Palmer to be the point of contact, seconded by Southworth, unanimous.

Rearick made a motion to adopt Ordinance 16-1 Floodplain Management, seconded by Southworth, unanimous.

Senate Engineering has finished revising the Stormwater Ordinance. Rearick made a motion to advertise the ordinance upon Sacco's approval, seconded by Southworth, unanimous.

Davis showed the Board the proposed drawing for the Rosston circle grant.

Davis read the Environmentally Sensitive Maintenance training dates. This training is required for Dirt & Gravel and Low Volume Road Grants. Southworth's certification doesn't expire until 2019.

Davis read a letter from the Summer Fest Committee asking for donations. Southworth would like to donate something because Manor Township people go to this festival, Rearick disagrees. Palmer made a motion to table this for further research, seconded by Southworth, Rearick opposed.

Police Business:

Chief Karabin read the police report. Rearick made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Southworth, unanimous.

Rearick stated he thinks it is time to move forward with a full time Chief. There has been trouble filling the shifts and we are not near the 320 hours a month that is available. He would like to write a job description and advertise for a Chief to work 160 hours a month. Palmer ask how the other 160 hours would be filled? The other hours would be filled with part-time officers. Rearick would like the Supervisors to schedule the chief and then let the chief schedule the officers. Palmer agreed we need to get coverage soon. Chief Karabin stated he has resumes for some part-time officers. Southworth stated he is concerned we can't afford a full time officer with benefits. Rearick made a motion to create a job description, seconded by Palmer, Southworth opposed.

Officer Young and Dice's probation was extended 3 months and that time is over again. They still haven't worked many shifts and Young is being deployed for 9 months. These officers were originally hired as fill in officers. Rearick suggest we extend the probation 3 more months and have Karabin talk to Dice and have her sign the 4 shift minimum directive. Palmer made a motion to hire 2 part-time officers, seconded by Southworth, unanimous.

Other Business:

Discussed all the lights that are out on the A-15 Bypass. Davis got prices from Hey Electric and Bronder Technical Services. Southworth said the prices are similar and we

are familiar with the work that Hey Electric does. Southworth made a motion to contact Hey Electric and schedule the work to be done, seconded by Rearick, unanimous. Rearick created a flyer for the cat donations. Davis is to take contact information and pass it on to Barb Bittinger. Bittinger suggested Fabian ask Ed Germy to reach out to the horse park board to see if they have any farmers who would be interested in barn cats.

Palmer would like to start working on the ordinances soon. The committee is Palmer, Grant Kanish, Mark Quartz, Bill McMaster, Southworth and Davis. Fabian will attend whenever he is available. The first meeting will be at 6:00P.M. on February 11th.

Comments:

Matt Pfeil – ask if his road is still bonded and Davis told him yes. He has seen some truck traffic again.

Chad Evans – everyone at the fire hall is trained on entry level. They received a \$13,000.00 state grant that will be used for debt reduction on the engine. They have completed the FEMA grant and waiting to hear about it. They are trying to get everyone trained to firefighter 1 level. They have taken out a loan to purchase new air packs.

Jonathan Weaver – ask Southworth why he was opposed to a full time chief, Southworth stated he needs to make sure the numbers work. Ask if we ever had a full time officer and was told no. Ask why we revised the stormwater ordinance, Davis told him the other one needed the language revised and was obsolete.

Pat Fabian – congratulated Palmer on becoming a Supervisor and thought it was a good choice. LERTA ordinance isn't on the County agenda yet. He wants to have a meeting with ASD, County Planning, and Jeannie Englert to give them information. He supports the LERTA program and knows the Planning Department does. Rearick stated he is available to speak on behalf of himself as a Supervisor to the ASD Board. Fabian supports a full time officer.

Bill McMaster – ask how many vacancies we have on our committees; he was told there are no vacancies. Ask is there is a police committee and was told no. He stated if there was money in the budget for another police rifle that Crime Watch would donate towards this purchase. He agrees there needs to be someone here 40 hours a week but not a chief. Suggested hiring a police investigator at less pay. Rearick stated he wouldn't hire anyone who doesn't have Act 120 training because of liability.

Barb Bittinger – ask if an advertisement could be put in the Horse Trader concerning the cats. Rearick will talk to Barry Crytzer to see if he would do a public service notice.

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

Motion to adjourn by Rearick, seconded by Southworth, carried.

Adjourned at 7:05P.M.

Jill A. Davis, Secretary