

MEETING WEDNESDAY 5-6-15, 7:00 P.M.
Municipal Bldg. 306 Byron Street McGrann

In attendance: Supervisors McGinnis, Rearick and Fabian, Secretary Davis, Road Foreman Robert Southworth, and Sgt Bish.

Citizens: Bob McGowan, Ed Taladay, Carol Cecchi, Larry Cecchi, Matt Pfeil, John Szul, Bill McMaster 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 4/1/15 regular meeting and 4/14/15 special meeting were distributed, motion to approve by McGinnis, seconded by Rearick, unanimous.

Fabian made a motion to recommend to the County that Shadco Construction be awarded the Short Street Project pending receipt of their DUN'S number and if not received award the job to the next responsible low bidder, seconded by Rearick, unanimous.

Day of Prayer service will be held at the new Armstrong Jr./Sr. High School on May 7th at 6:30P.M. with Sgt. Bish doing traffic control.

MTJMA sent a letter to Manor Township Fire Department, Ford Cliff Fire Department and Kittanning Township Fire Department stating effective March 1, 2015 volunteer fire departments will be charged for actual water (and if applicable sewer) usage and all minimums will be waived.

Armstrong Recycling Center Open House is from 9A.M. to 1:00P.M. on May 9th.

Rearick made a motion to sign the LVR agreement for McKean Street, seconded by Fabian, unanimous.

Rearick made a motion to allow Family Counseling to use the room for CPI training on June 4th, seconded by McGinnis, unanimous.

Highmark sent renewal for vision coverage without a rate increase. McGinnis made a motion to renew the vision coverage with Highmark, seconded by Rearick, unanimous.

United Concordia sent renewal for dental coverage with a .61 increase for an individual and \$1.84 increase for 2 persons. Rearick made a motion to renew the dental coverage with United Concordia, seconded by Fabian, unanimous.

Trustees Insurance sent renewal for health insurance without a rate increase. Rearick made a motion to renew the health insurance with Trustees Insurance, seconded by Fabian, unanimous. Davis told them there will be 3 new plans to look at soon with higher deductibles.

Rearick presented more information on an AED for the Township Building. Zoll brand was recommended by Bill Hamilton at ACMH. There is also a cabinet to keep the unit in that has an alarm on it. The Board gave Rearick permission to fill out the grant paper and have prices for the June meeting.

Rearick got a list from Sally Conklin, County Planning, on some places that recycle electronics and these are being passed out at clean up.

Davis stated she has been working on the grant for Tub Mill Run but needs to know if the Board is willing to pay \$100.00 to submit the grant. Fabian stated we have invested money by doing the engineering study. Rearick made a motion to submit the grant by June 30th, seconded by McGinnis, unanimous.

The Board has reviewed the S&T Bank proposal and Fabian stated he didn't see anything that would steer him to change banks, the Board agreed.

Davis sent the letter from the Horsemen's Association to Christopher Krecota allowing him to clear out brush and remove only dead trees.

Sheri DeComo dropped off information for the OVR program. They pay 90% of the student's wages and the Township would cover 10%. Davis questioned who covered the worker's compensation insurance but Sheri hasn't called Rearick back yet. The police report was e-mailed to all Supervisors. Sgt. Bish read highlights of the report. Rearick made a motion to accept the report, seconded by McGinnis, unanimous. Fabian stated the daylight officers that were added with increased hours are doing a good job. Bish to make sure they are looking for high grass, 911 addresses and burning.

Other Business:

Rearick contacted Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful because Southworth has noticed increased dumping in a few areas. They provide the cameras at no charge and a cellular camera that sends a photo to a designated cell phone. They want to see photos of our problem areas because cameras are loaned on a priority basis. Rearick made a motion to join this program at no charge to the Township, seconded by Fabian, unanimous. Southworth told McMaster this idea came from the Town Hall Meeting he hosted.

Fabian stated our Transit Authority Representative told him there is a bus shelter available for Valley View, we are responsible for picking it up and laying the concrete pad. The Housing Authority will be contacted to see where they would like it placed. Fabian met with a group of residence from Indian Hills. They don't like looking at the dumpster behind the business across the street and wondered if it is on the Township right-of-way. They would like to plant trees on the right-of-way so they don't have to look at the dumpster or the back of the business that is there. Mr. Good is willing to be a good neighbor and plant trees. McGinnis is not in favor of planting trees because if someone hits them the Township will be liable, Rearick agreed.

Davis stated she will soon be giving junkyard renewal license to the Police and wanted to know if one is to be sent to Riverside Auto. Fabian suggested having the Police access the property to see if he needs a license.

Davis read Timothy Bunta's resignation as the emergency management coordinator. Rearick made a motion to accept the resignation, seconded by McGinnis, unanimous. Rearick thanked him for his service. The opening will be put on facebook and the website.

Comments:

Bob McGowan – He lives on the corner of Piper Drive and Overbrook. Would like to see stop signs added there to slow the speeders down. Larry Cecchi suggested enforcing speed there instead of adding stop signs. Sgt. Bish ask for permission to set in his driveway to run speed and he said that was fine.

Ed Taladay – has lived on Piper Drive for 42 years and has had people pass him on Piper Drive. He feels threatened when he mows near the road because he can feel the air from the people speeding past him. People have hit his split rail fence. Ask Southworth to check the speed sign in his yard, he would like it moved because it blocks his view. Rearick thanked them for notifying us of the problem.

Larry Cecchi – Thanked everyone for a good job. Everything is good on Terrace.

John Szul – Ask when the police will start to enforce the ordinances. He was told the daylight officers will be working on that. He said there has never been fines enforced on ordinances and Rearick told him there has been. Bish told him not all notices turn into a citation if the individual complies. He is glad the website is up and running but would like to see ordinance 2004-1 and 08-3 added to the site. Davis told him when she has time she would add them but anyone can come to the office and look at the ordinance book. He stated the 2014 audit report has a \$50,000.00 mistake. Davis told him he has been told several times there was a keying error by the auditor and DCED has already corrected the issue. He ask what the Board's authority over the water authority was. Rearick told him we have no authority over the Board other than appointing a member

each year. Stated the burning ordinance says you can use burn barrels or other approved burning devices. He ask what those would be, Cecchi said his brick fire pit. He ask the board if burn barrels should have lids on them so no water gets in them. Bill McMaster – Thanked Jim, Pat and Bob for attending the town hall meeting. The next meetings are May 26th at 7:00P.M. at the VFW and June 30th at the Latin American Club. Scott Andressi will be speaking at the May meeting. He brought an article concerning small town police struggle to survive and 1 chief had a raffle. He discussed the stormwater ordinance, when it rains heavy or rains for several days his yard is like a river. The water comes from John's yard and Mrs. Opalka's yard. Does he need to put pits in like John did. McGinnis said this is all private property. Bill said water runs down Manor Drive into Szul's and Opalka's yard then into his. Jim and Bob will look at the road. He applauded Bob for sweeping. He suggested having Sheriff Rupert bring inmates to help clean up the sweeping. Fabian said this would be a good project for the OVR employees.

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

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

Adjourned at 8:45P.M.

Jill A. Davis
Secretary