

WHITE TOWNSHIP MEETING OF THE SUPERVISORS September 1, 2021

On Wednesday, September 1, 2021 in the Meeting Room of the Township Building, located at 2511 13th Ave. in White Township, PA 15010, the Regular Monthly Meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00PM by Supervisor DeMeio.

This Meeting was advertised in the *Beaver County Times* on January 7, 2021 in accordance with the Sunshine Law, Section 709.

Roll Call:

Susan DeMeio, Supervisor Chairperson – *Present*

Ray Evans Jr., Supervisor – *Present*

Peggy Lavery, Supervisor – *Present*

Diana Lois, Secretary-Treasurer – *Present*

Nancy Munroe, Tax Collector – *Absent*

Nathan Bible, Esq., LL.M, Solicitor – *Present*

No motion was made to accept the August 4, 2021 meeting minutes due to missing dialog.

Supervisor Evans instructed the road crew to grade the paper alley at 2001 Clayton Rd. so the residents are able to get in and out of their driveway.

Public Forum:

1. Amber Djan of Short 10th Ave. asked about the status of the street light that's out by her home: (the Secretary reported the issue to Duquesne Light the same day that Amber made the Twp. aware of the problem; it is now in Duquesne Light's hands). The overgrown trees in the R-O-W by her home have been trimmed by the road crew, to the best of their ability, with the resources that they have available. She would like them trimmed even more so. She presented the Board with some paperwork to sign regarding the vacant house(s) that are in repository in her neighborhood, which was signed by Supervisor DeMeio. Solicitor Bible gave her information about how to get the home(s) on the county's demolition list.

2. Ron Wilhelm of 22nd St. spoke about the condition of the roads in Mt. Washington. He inquired about the Twp.'s garbage ordinance and the fact that a neighboring home constantly has garbage thrown everywhere, including on the road. Supervisor Evans said that's a Code Enforcement matter for Dan Burns. Spoke of how that home's residents also park their car(s) in the middle of the road. Supervisor DeMeio instructed him to call the police when that occurs. He asked if the Twp. has an ordinance regulating the number of dogs he could own, as he wants to start a breeding business out of his home. No such ordinance exists, however, the Twp. does have a nuisance ordinance, which prohibits any type of behavior that would disrupt his neighbors. Also, his residence is not zoned for that and if he's serious about starting this business then he'd have to petition for a variance and undergo that process.

Reports:

Earned Income Tax: Supervisor DeMeio read that \$22,107.19 was collected in August.

Real Estate Tax & Fire Protection Fee: Supervisor DeMeio read \$1,006.97 was collected for Real Estate & \$140.00 in Fire Protection Fees in August.

Accounts Payable & Payroll Summary: AP = \$24,059.91 / PR = \$12,816.84

Police: Chief Stanislawski read there were 91 calls (traffic monitoring is included) for service in August, resulting in 2 arrests (Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle). He addressed Wilhelm's public comment: The home with the dogs and garbage is currently being addressed by BCHS Humane Investigations/Animal Control Officer and Twp. Code Enforcement Officer Burns, who is not present at this meeting to say on what date a letter was mailed to the homeowner in reference to Ordinance 138. The Board does not possess the proper documentation from Code Enforcement Officer Burns to give accurate information on this issue.

Code Enforcement: In the month of August there were 4 new property violation notices.

Fire Department: Supervisor Evans read there were 2 calls for service in August: 8/6: MVA in West Mayfield (canceled/no response); 8/30: Structure Fire on 12th Ave. (2FF/1Mhr.). He noted hearsay that the Tax Collector told a resident that the WTVFD doesn't own a firetruck that operates to respond to fires.

Road Crew: Spoke of the on street parking problem, especially when trying to plow. Chief Stanislawski said the PTPD follows Twp. ordinances when issuing parking tickets. If the vehicle is parked illegally or impeding traffic, he will go to the corresponding home, letting them know they can't park there and will need to move the vehicle. If the owner can't be located, the vehicle will be towed.

Supervisor DeMeio made a motion to accept the reports as read. Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor DeMeio – YES. Supervisor Evans – YES. Supervisor Lavery – YES. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

1. Dale Johnston of 2503 Orchard St. wants to change his address to 2701 Craighead Ln. Secretary spoke to Randy Dawson, address coordinator at the 911 center who said this makes perfect sense.

Supervisor DeMeio made a motion to approve this change of address. Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor DeMeio – YES. Supervisor Evans – YES. Supervisor Lavery – YES. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

1. Larry Lennon from LSSE was present and discussed the roads specified in the Roadway Paving Project Grant application: 12th Avenue Bridge to 22nd Street; 13th Avenue from 24th Street to 22nd Street; 11th Avenue from Cul-de-sac to 22nd Street; East Avenue from 23rd Street to 22nd Street; Short 10th Avenue from 23rd Street to 22nd Street; 24th Street from 12th Avenue to End; 23rd Street from Short 10th Avenue to 13th Avenue; 22nd Street from Short 10th Avenue to End. Supervisor DeMeio confirmed that this project could be started prior to the 12th Ave. Bridge Grant. In regards to the Dye Test Ordinance: Supervisor DeMeio would like for the testing to be completed 'In-house' with a testing fee of \$100.00. Supervisor Evans abstained any opinions. Supervisor Lavery agrees that it should be 'In-house' with a testing fee of \$100.00. Lennon verbally reviewed the CAP section in the September Engineer's Report while Supervisor Evans added his insight.

New Business:

1. Rich Caputo, of Caputo Insurance presented a quote for the Twp.'s insurance. He recommended Amtrust for the Twp.'s Workers' Comp. insurance instead of SWIF. Supervisor Evans pointed out that the pole building is missing from the quote, which can be amended Caputo said. The Supervisors will review it and let him know if they decide to move forward with switching carriers.

Good & Welfare of the Township:

1. The 2020 Audit is complete. It was advertised in the BCT on 8/17/21 & is available for public inspection. There were no findings.

2. Brady's Run Recycling is hosting a paper shredding event on September 8th from 9-11am. It is free and open to all Beaver County residents and employees.

3. The next Twp. Meeting will be here on 10/6/21 at 7:00PM.

Supervisor DeMeio made a motion to move into an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters, at 8:17PM. Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor DeMeio – YES. Supervisor Evans – YES. Supervisor Lavery - YES. Motion carried. The Executive Session began at 8:21PM.

Supervisor DeMeio made a motion to close the Executive Session at approximately 8:43PM. Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor DeMeio – YES. Supervisor Evans – YES. Supervisor Lavery - YES. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Supervisor DeMeio made a motion to close the September 2021 Regular Meeting at approximately 8:43PM. Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor DeMeio – YES. Supervisor Evans – YES. Supervisor Lavery – YES. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.