WHITE TOWNSHIP MEETING OF THE SUPERVISORS January 3, 2022

On Monday, January 3, 2022 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 Evans Jr.

This Meeting was advertised in the *Beaver County Times* on December 27, 2021 in accordance with the Sunshine Law, Section 709.

Roll Call:

Ray Evans Jr., Supervisor Chairperson – Present

Ray Evans Sr., Supervisor – *Present*

Peggy Lavery, Supervisor – Present

Emily Dean, Secretary-Treasurer – Present

Tom Bozic, Tax Collector – Present

Dan Burns, Code Enforcement- Present

Nathan Bible, Esq., LL.M, Solicitor – Present through phone

Supervisor Evans Jr. made a motion to approve the December 1, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes. Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor Evans Jr. – YES. Supervisor Evans Sr. – YES. Supervisor Lavery – YES Motion carried.

Public Forum:

1. None.

Reports:

- 1. *Earned Income Tax*: Supervisor Evans read that \$8,763.80 was collected in December.
- 2. Real Estate Tax & Fire Protection Fee: RE: \$1,452.52 & FF: \$186.00 was collected in December.
- 3. Accounts Payable & Payroll Summary: AP = \$26,829.44 / PR = \$9,074.36
- 4. *Police:* Chief Stanislawski read there were 94 calls (traffic monitoring is included) for service in December, resulting in 1 arrest for disorderly conduct, 2 traffic citations and 2 traffic warnings.
- 5. *Code Enforcement:* In the month of December there was 1 new violation for trash.
- 6. *Fire Department*: Supervisor Evans read there were no calls in the month of December.
- 7. **Road Crew**: No comments

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

Correspondence:

- 1. Please note an additional \$217.26 was collected for November's EIT. Notification of the 11/30 direct deposit wasn't received until 12/2.
- 2. 2022 Agreement from BCHS: Monthly fee has increased by \$10.00.

Supervisor Evans Jr. made a motion to accept the increase in fees. Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor Evans Jr. – YES. Supervisor Evans Sr. –YES. Supervisor Lavery – YES. Motion carried.

- 3. Letter from Cathy Phoenix of DCED sent a denial letter for the Multimodal Transportation Fund program grant application for the roadway repaying.
- 4. On January 1, 2022, the minimum purchase amount that will require the advertisement for bids will increase from \$21,300 to \$21,900. In addition, the minimum purchase amount for telephone quotes will increase from \$11,500 to \$11,800.

5. We received a letter from Mr. Ron Miller in regards to his payment for the fire protection fee. He received a late notice for the 2020 fee even though he came in to make payment, payment was refused and he was sent to collections. Due to clerical errors supervisors would like to waive late fees and allow Mr. Miller to pay face value.

Supervisor Evans Jr. made a motion to waive late fees for Mr. Miller's fire protection bill. Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor Evans Jr. – YES. Supervisor Evans Sr. –YES. Supervisor Lavery – YES. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

- 1. Emily Palmer from LSSE presented the Engineers' Report, including highlights on the 3 grants in progress. She brought up the ARPA grant which the township is still awaiting the grant decision. She mentioned we should have that by the middle of January. Also mentioned was the semi-annual progress report is due 1/31/2022 which she handled. She would like the supervisors to focus on 3 topics to be discussed at a future meeting. They'll need to decide what/if we can do any of these in house or if they need to go out to bid. She's estimating it would be around \$150,000.00 if sent out to bid. She would like the completion date of the below items to be done by 12/31/2022.
 - 1. Dye testing
 - 2. Smoke testing
 - 3. Manhole physical surveys

She also mentioned that we need to fill out that tap request for 2022 and she suggested we request 10 to keep it consistent from the previous year.

New Business:

1. *Make a motion to approve* Resolution No. 1 of 2022 – Removing Susan DeMeio from the Twp.'s bank accounts at FNB and adding Ray Evans Sr.

Supervisor Evans Jr. made the motion. Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor Evans Jr. – YES. Supervisor Evans Sr. –YES. Supervisor Lavery – YES. Motion carried.

2. *Make a motion* to rescind resolution NO. 2 of 2018, Communication with Road Crew. After discussion amongst supervisors with input from both Nate Bible and Chief Stanislawski, all 3 supervisors decided to table this motion and see how this resolution works out with the new board of supervisors in place.

Supervisor Evans Jr. made the motion to table the discussion. Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor Evans Jr. – YES. Supervisor Evans Sr. –YES. Supervisor Lavery – YES. Motion carried.

- 3. Discuss dispersing funds from the Fire Fund account. Supervisor Evans Sr. suggested that he, as the treasurer of the Fire Dept.; should be able to request a check from the Fire Fund account for a certain dollar amount from the Township secretary to be given to him and used to pay the bills at the fire dept. Supervisor Lavery suggested that instead of the secretary giving the fire dept. a check to pay their bills, the secretary should instead receive the bills that need paid from the fire department and the secretary pay them. This will need to be discussed further at the February meeting due to too much confusion on which decision the supervisors chose to go with. A new motion will need to be made as to which clear decision the supervisors would like to choose in regards to how the bills get paid for the fire department.
- 4. Discuss sewer repairs for broken sewer on Steffin Hill. Emily Palmer from LSSE has a gentleman at Verizon that she will get in contact with to reopen the discussion about having Verizon hold the pole and perhaps provide traffic control.

Good & Welfare of the Township:

1. The next Twp. Meeting will be here on, 2/2/22 at 7:00PM.

Supervisor Evans Jr. made a motion to close the January 2022 Regular Meeting at approximately 8:18PM. Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor Evans Jr. – YES. Supervisor Evans Sr. – YES. Supervisor Lavery – YES. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.