

WHITE TOWNSHIP
MEETING OF THE SUPERVISORS
March 2, 2022

On Wednesday, March 2, 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 January 18, 2022 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*

Supervisor Evans Jr. made a motion to approve the February 2, 2022 meeting minutes.

Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor Evans Jr. – YES. Supervisor Evans Sr. – YES. Supervisor Lavery – YES Motion carried.

Public Forum:

1. Reon Nesmith-2209 12th Ave. inquired about having his road paved. Supervisor Evans Jr. stated we are applying for grants and looking into tar and chip with our own money for many roads, his included.
2. Pauline Morgan-2805 24th Ave. is concerned that water is coming in her basement and she thinks it's from the main line being clogged or broken. Supervisor Evans Jr. said he would be up this week to camera it and see what's going on.
3. Allen Bozic-2602 McCreedy St.- Mr. Bozic would like the township to do some upkeep on his road. He said whether it be pave, gravel, slag something needs done to maintain it. No comments made from supervisors.
4. Bob Mentz-2530 Orchard St.-Wants to know why White Twp. Would be responsible for the broken sewer on Steffin Hill when Verizon put a telephone pole thru the sewer. - Supervisor Evans Jr. let him know that we are in contact with Verizon in hopes that they'll be willing to work with us again at the very least we will have to fix it and ask for reimbursement but he assured it'll get taken care of this year. Mr. Mentz also mentioned that we should have a better setup to handle PA One Call emergencies. After much discussion, it was decided that Emily would call PA One Call and get both the road crew cell phone and Supervisor Evans, Jr. set up as emergency contacts so they will always be aware of emergency One Calls.

Reports:

1. ***Earned Income Tax:*** Supervisor Evans read that \$19,581.74 was collected in February.
2. ***Real Estate Tax & Fire Protection Fee: RE:*** \$5,798.59 & ***FF:*** \$792.00 was collected in February.
3. ***Accounts Payable & Payroll Summary:*** AP = \$21,700.80 / PR = \$8,294.50
4. ***Police:*** Chief Stanislawski read that there were 82 calls (traffic monitoring is included) for service in February, resulting in 2 traffic citations and 2 written warnings.
5. ***Code Enforcement:*** 4 new violations, no hearings, no abatements for the month of February
6. ***Fire Department:*** Supervisor Evans, Jr. read there were 5 calls in the month of February.
7. ***Road Crew:*** no call outs

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. American Rescue Plan Act- Agreement needs signed and submitted in order to receive remaining funds- Supervisor Evans Jr. signed the agreement.
2. Notice of payment letter for Liquid Fuels account-Money has been direct deposited into our acct. \$45,041.13 for this year.

Unfinished Business:

LSSE Engineers Monthly Report:

1. **ARPA Grant Application:** Larry said we need to pick 1 of the 3 projects listed to use the ARPA grant money on. The supervisors chose Old Steffin Hill and 11th Ave. sewer project. Supervisors authorized to get this project started and surveying to begin.

Supervisor Evans Jr. made a motion to move forward on this project. Supervisor Lavery seconded.

Supervisor Evans Jr. – YES. Supervisor Evans Sr. –YES. Supervisor Lavery – YES. Motion carried.

2. **Beaver Falls Sewer System CAP:**

- Larry provided the updated Dye test ordinance NO. 141 with the name changes for the supervisors to review and make any questions/comments.
- LSSE: Emily Palmer mentioned 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

3. **CFA Multimodal Grant (Mt. Washington Rds.):** we removed East Avenue off the list of roads to be a part of this project, it's a dirt/gravel rd. We will re-apply for this grant again this year at a future meeting. Applications are open from March 1, 2022-July 31, 2022.

4. **Multimodal Grant-12th Ave. Bridge Project (Penndot):** Still working on-going back and forth with Penndot, hopefully will be ready in the next month. Will have to advertise for engineering services-Larry will get clarification on this to make sure it needs advertise.

- If White Township would like to proceed with LSSE as this project's engineer, the \$40,000 listed under Engineering/Design (PE & FD) will need to be transferred to another line item (e.g. Construction). This essentially means that White Township would be 100% responsible for all design costs which cannot be considered match funds contributed towards this grant and will not be reimbursable. If this option is preferred, the agreement will need updated with a new Exhibit A and returned. If White Township does not wish to remove the match funds from the engineering/design line, the Township will need to advertise for a consultant/engineer for this project utilizing qualifications-based selection criteria in accordance with or equivalent to PennDOT Pub 93 in order for any engineering/design costs to be considered reimbursable or match funds.

5. **CFA 2022 Local Share Account (LSA) Statewide:** Applications are due 3/15/22. Minimum project cost is \$25,000 to a max of \$1,000,000.00- no local match required. Larry presented (2) resolutions for each grant application we are applying for. (1 for roads, 1 for sewers). Both were signed during the March meeting.

- For resolution 2 of 2022 Statewide Local Share Assessment Grant for Sanitary Sewer System Rehabilitation:

Supervisor Evans Jr. made a motion to sign Resolution 2 of 2022. Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor Evans Jr. – YES. Supervisor Evans Sr. –YES. Supervisor Lavery – YES. Motion carried.

- For resolution 3 of 2022 Statewide Local Share Assessment Grant for Road Improvement Program:

Supervisor Evans Jr. made a motion to sign Resolution 3 of 2022. Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor Evans Jr. – YES. Supervisor Evans Sr. –YES. Supervisor Lavery – YES. Motion carried.

6. Discuss sewer repairs for broken sewer on Steffin Hill- Emily Palmer provided us with an email address of who we can contact in regards to having Verizon help us with holding the pole and traffic control.

New Business:

1. Code enforcement officer would like to add code information to our website-Dan Burns to explain in detail- Dan to work with Emily on the website to get the proper verbiage and she will handle setting up the site.

Good & Welfare of the Township:

1. The next Twp. Meeting will be here on, 4/6/22 at 7:00PM.

Supervisor Evans Jr. made a motion to move into an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters, at 8:32PM. Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor Evans Jr. – YES. Supervisor Evans Sr. – YES. Supervisor Lavery - YES. Motion carried.

The Executive Session began at 8:40PM. Supervisor Evans Jr. made a motion to close the Executive Session at approximately 9:37PM. Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor Evans Jr. – YES. Supervisor Evans Sr. – YES. Supervisor Lavery - YES. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned. Supervisor Evans Jr. made a motion to close the February 2022 Regular Meeting at approximately 9:37PM. Supervisor Lavery seconded. Supervisor Evans Jr. – YES. Supervisor Evans Sr. – YES. Supervisor Lavery – YES. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.