

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

May 4, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Dennison Township Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Sheila Weaver. After Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, roll call was taken as follows:

Sheila Weaver, present
Michael Mack, present
Bruce Thomas, present

Attorney Dean, excused
Carl Faust, present
Kathleen Stortz, present

The minutes of the April 6th meeting were approved on a motion by Michael Mack, second by Bruce Thomas. All voted in favor.

The Treasurer's Report was approved on a motion by Bruce Thomas, second by Michael Mack. All voted in favor.

The bills were approved to be paid on a motion by Michael Mack, second by Bruce Thomas. All voted in favor.

BUSINESS:

POLICE REPORT – Chief Szoke was at the meeting but did not have the monthly report with him. He introduced a college student who has been interning with the White Haven Police Department. He reported that there is currently round the clock coverage on Thursday through Sunday and they are hiring new officers. He said there was nothing new regarding the use of radar by local police departments but is confident it will eventually pass the house and senate.

LAKE FRANCIS ROAD – Sheila Weaver reported that gates will be placed on Lake Francis Road at the Wright Township line and the Honey Hole Road. A motion was made by Michael Mack, second by Bruce Thomas, to purchase two gates from George Belanchick Fencing Contractor at a cost of \$4,800.00. All voted in favor. Sheila also reported that she will be attending a two-day course on Dirt and Gravel Roads on May 24 and 25, 2016 in Montrose, PA. There is a possibility the township could apply for a grant to turn the Lake Francis Road into a dirt and gravel road.

TIRE RECYCLING – Luzerne County will hold its annual tire recycling program on June 4th at the Drums Elementary School and June 11th at the Hanover Area Jr./Sr. High School.

GYPSY MOTH SPRAYING – The township was notified that the Bureau of Forestry will spray for gypsy moth in certain sections of Dennison Township this spring sometime between late April and late May. Residents are urged to refrain from looking up when the spraying is taking place and to wash vehicles which are exposed to the spray as soon as possible.

BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOC. – A letter was received from The Building Industry Association of Northeastern Pennsylvania requesting the township join the International Code Council (ICC) in order to vote on proposed changes to the ICC model codes. After a brief discussion with Zoning and Code Officer Carl Faust the supervisors decided this was something they did not need to participate in.

D & L TRAIL – The township received a copy of the plans for the D&L Middleburg Road Railroad Crossing which will be placed on file.

BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT-STATE GAME LANDS – The township was notified that the Game Commission will be replacing a bridge over Nescopeck Creek on State Game Lands #187.

BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION – ROUTE 437 – NTM Engineering who is submitting an application to PADEP for the permit for the bridge replacement on Route 437 has requested a letter from the township stating the project is consistent with the township's Stormwater Management Plan. Township engineer Dominic Yanuzzi will be contacted to determine if the township should send the letter.

ZONING REPORT – Carl Faust's monthly report has been received by the township and is on file.

Jack Varaly stated that he has reviewed the Yackiel Minor Subdivision Plan and he submitted a letter with the changes that need to be made to the plan and his comments. Jack also stated that sometime over the summer the township will have a Conditional Use Hearing for the Ditmer Property. The supervisors informed Jack that they had some changes they would like made to the Zoning Ordinance. Jack stated he will review the requested changes to the Zoning Ordinance and also review some of the other township ordinances.

SPRING CLEAN UP – Dumpsters will be available on June 11th at the Dennison Township Fire House for spring cleanup. Bruce Thomas will order two 40 cubic yard dumpster from Solomon Container.

ROAD REPORT – Sheila Weaver reported the fire company flushed a pipe at the corner of Hazel and Walnut streets and White Haven Borough needs to deepen the trench on the White Haven side. Bruce Thomas stated he contacted the borough about it last week.

The supervisors held their annual road inspection. A portion of First Street which was dedicated earlier this year need to be paved. A motion was made by Bruce Thomas, second by Michael Mack, to have Edgar Getz do the paving at a cost of \$4,200.00. All voted in favor.

FIRE REPORT – Bill Bauersfeld reported 4 calls during the month of April for a total of 15 hours. He also reported 18 hours of training and 8 hours of maintenance.

ADJOURNMENT - On a motion by Michael Mack, second by Bruce Thomas, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m. All voted in favor.