

Connellsville Township Supervisors
166 McCoy Hollow Road, Connellsville, PA 15425

Meeting Minutes April 19, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Miner called the monthly meeting to order on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

led by Chairman Miner.

ROLL CALL

The following persons were present: Supervisor Donald Hann, Vice-Chairman Tim Upton, Chairman Todd Miner, Solicitor Jack Purcell, Secretary Darla Hann.

Also present: Chad Savage – Code Enforcement Officer, Jon Gilpin – Public Works

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Supervisor Hann to approve the minutes from the March 2023 meeting. Second by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION –

SECRETARY'S REPORT –

The 2022 Municipal Audit is complete and there were no findings. It was advertised in today's newspaper.

There have been complaints about motorized bicycles in the Poplar Grove area. Riders are between the ages of 13 & 14. This will be investigated further to see if there is anything the Township can do. Right now, it is to be treated as a state police matter.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Darla Hann reported)

Motion by Supervisor Hann to accept the treasurer's report for March. Second by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

Motion made by Supervisor Hann to pay monthly bills. Second by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE –

COMMITTEE REPORTS***Fire Dept.***

* Jon Gilpin reported that for the month of March the Fire Department was called out for: 2 vehicle accidents, 2 brush (mulch) fires, 2 odor investigations, 1 illegal burn, 6 reports of wires down, 4 trees down, 2 flooded basements, 15 out of township assists; for a total of 34 calls.

Bingo is every Sunday. Fun Fest Street Fair will be June 8th, 9th & 10th.

Emergency Management – Nothing to report

Code Enforcement Officer – Chad Savage reported that there were 16 written warnings, 1 Township fine and 4 pending cases at the Magistrates office.

Roadmaster

* Report for the month was read by Jon Gilpin and is on file in the office. 603.9 gallons of diesel were delivered. Chairman Miner stated that Public Works, along with himself and Vice-Chairman Upton attended a training at Seven Springs for Dirt & Gravel Roads.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS

Supervisor Hann –

Vice-Chairman Upton –

Chairman Miner –

*Reported that a meeting is set up with PennDOT to discuss drainage issues below the Dollar General. Paul Riser, owner of Riser's, is digging out behind his place and doing his part in trying to correct the problem.

* We are currently working on obtaining a grant through DCED for sidewalks on Francis Avenue.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

Motion by Chairman Miner to purchase a skid loader from Groff Tractor, Takeuchi Model: TL10V2, for \$67,900.00, in anticipation of being awarded a recycling grant. Purchase will be paid out of the Equipment Fund and will be reimbursed to the Equipment Fund upon receiving the anticipated recycling grant. 2nd by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Handling Street Light Requests: Darla Hann reported she has received requests to have streetlights added in certain areas. Discussion followed as to the process to do this.

Solicitor Jack Purcell has provided several samples of what other municipalities are doing. Darla will check with West Penn as to cost and will be discussed again at the May meeting. Chairman Miner informed all that the floor in the upper garage is completed and looks good. The upper garage door is not in good working order and is not safe.

Motion by Chairman Miner to purchase a garage door for the upper garage and have it installed from J&J Garage Doors, at a cost of \$3200.00. 2nd by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor. Motion carried.

*Estimates: J&J Garage Doors - \$3200.00, Terry Firestone - \$3266.00,
R.E. Gouker - \$3700.00*

Motion by Chairman Miner for dye testing and PA One Calls to be completed by the Connellsville Township Public Works Department for the Joint Sewer Authority and costs to be re-imbursed to Connellsville Township by the Joint Sewer Authority. The fee schedule will remain as is and changes will be as needed and made by Resolution. 2nd by Supervisor Hann. All in favor. Motion carried.

Need for Driveway Ordinance/Permits: Discussed the need for driveway permits. The Solicitor will see what neighboring municipalities are doing and will discuss it again at May meeting.

Motion by Chairman Miner to apply for a credit card through First National Bank, with a credit line of \$20,000.00 and cardholder names as follows: Todd Miner, Darla Hann, Tim Upton, Jon Gilpin. 2nd by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES –

RESOLUTIONS –

Motion by Chairman Miner to Adopt Resolution 2023-2, supporting the Pennsylvania Commission for the United States Semi quincennial. 2nd by Supervisor Hann. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Vice Chairman Upton to adjourn. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried.

Submitted by: Darla Hann Approved by: [Signature]

Todd Miner, Chairman

[Signature]

Tim Upton, Vice Chairman

[Signature]

Donald Hann, Supervisor

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