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

Meeting Minutes June 28, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Miner called the monthly meeting to order on Wednesday, June 28, 2023, at 6:03 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

led by Chairman Miner.

ROLL CALL

The following persons were present: Vice-Chairman Tim Upton, Chairman Todd Miner, Solicitor Jack Purcell, Secretary Darla Hann. Supervisor Donald Hann arrived at 6:10 p.m. Also present: Jon Gilpin – Public Works, Kerry Bell – Engineering Rep.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Vice Chairman Upton to approve the minutes from the May 2023 meeting. Second by Chairman Todd Miner. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Candace Compton, Blake Avenue, asked what the Supervisors know about GetGo going in where KFC is. She was told right now it is only rumors, the Township has not been approached by GetGo. Supervisor Hann said one resident was approached by GetGo but is not interested in selling. Ms. Compton also asked about a paper alley adjacent to her property that she maintains. Solicitor Purcell stated that if it was never taken over by the Township that we can't vacate it. He explained the process to her.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Darla Hann reported)

The tax reports for the month of May have been received.

33 Burn Permits were issued in May.

Received a list of the 2023 resolutions that PSATS has adopted.

We were notified that FEMA has approved our Hazard Mitigation Plan.

F.C.A.T.S. Annual Golf Outing is August 11th at Duck Hollow; \$70.00/person.

Four Bros. will be cutting in the Township on July 5th.

Shawn Stoots stopped in the office and suggested using his property on Rt. 119 to be used for Recycling. The Supervisors discussed and decided to leave the recycling here. A demonstration for an Asphalt Zipper was held here yesterday. Jon Gilpin said that there were representatives from 7 other municipalities and Widmer Engineering that attended. Chairman Miner said the cost of the machine is \$217,000.00.

214 TREASURER'S REPORT (Darla Hann reported)

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

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

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

CORRESPONDENCE

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Dept.

* Jon Gilpin reported that for the month of May the Fire Department was called out for: 6 vehicle accidents, 1 vehicle fires, 1 illegal burn, 1 wire down, 4 out of township assists, 1 traffic control; for a total of 15 calls.

Bingo is every Sunday. Jon Gilpin added: Please note you need a burn permit to burn and even with a burn permit you are only allowed to burn brush.

Emergency Management – Nothing to report.

Code Enforcement Officer –Chad Savage read the Code Enforcement report for the month. He reported that there were 21 written warnings, 1 verbal warning, 1 court hearing scheduled and 4 magistrate dates scheduled. Chairman Miner added that a disgruntled resident called to note that people are not getting permits for pools. After checking into this it was found that any pool above 24 inches tall must have a permit. This is according to UCC Guidelines and the County Zoning. Our Code Officer will be letting people know.

Roadmaster

* Report for the month was read by Jon Gilpin and is on file in the office.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS

Supervisor Hann -

Vice-Chairman Upton -

Chairman Miner -

*Stated that he received a call concerning a gentleman on a motorized scooter collecting cans on narrows road and leaving the scooter parked in the middle of the road. Township employee Marvin Striner assisted the state police in loading the scooter and getting the

gentleman home safely. Chairman Miner wanted to thank our Public Works Employees 211 for going above and beyond.

Motion by Chairman Miner to apply for a County LSA grant for a new roof for the Municipal Garage, office building and siding. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS -

NEW BUSINESS

OPEN PAVING BIDS

El Grande Industries	\$42,825.00	Tresco Paving Corporation	\$74,150.00
Morgan Excavating, LP	\$44,168.50	Redstone Excavating LLC	\$41,325.00
Nagy Construction	\$57,606.00	John D. Caruso, Inc.	\$44,560.00

Motion by Vice Chairman Upton to award the paving bid to Redstone Excavating LLC. contingent on their bonds and paperwork being in order. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Chairman Miner to sponsor a tee ad and flag for \$150.00 for the F.C.A.T.S Golf Outing on August 11, 2023, at Duck Hollow. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor. motion carried.

Motion by Vice Chairman Upton to appoint Darla Hann as an Assistant Treasurer. 2nd by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Vice Chairman Upton to sponsor the Veteran & Suicide Crisis Line, at a cost of \$249.00 (24 signs and a banner) to be paid out of the ARPA account. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried.

A garbage contract extension was discussed. Noble Environmental sent in an offer that increases the bill to \$20.90/month and includes conditions for suspending service to accounts that are delinquent and asking the Township to shut off water/sewage. It was noted that the Township does not have the authority to shut off water/sewage. The Secretary will write a letter explaining this and see what they come back with.

Discussion took place concerning billing owners if the Township must cut their grass. Currently the Township places a lien on the property. Chairman Miner would like to investigate how the city does it and it will be discussed again later.

ORDINANCES

212 Discussed issue of garbage being put out for pick up days in advance of scheduled pick up. Complaints are coming in about garbage being ripped open and blowing all over neighborhoods.

Motion by Vice Chairman Upton to advertise an amendment to Ordinance 2019-3, adding a section stating garbage is not to be set out earlier than 12:00 p.m. the day before scheduled pick up. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried.

A driveway ordinance was discussed. More information will be gathered before making any decisions.

RESOLUTIONS -

ADJOURNMENT

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

Submitted by: Darla Hann Approved by:

Todd Miner, Chairman

Tim Upton, Vice Chairman

Donald Hann, Supervisor