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

## Meeting Minutes January 2, 2024 - 6:30 p.m.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Miner called the monthly meeting to order on Tuesday, January 2, 2024, at 6:45 p.m.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

led by Chairman Miner.

## ROLL CALL

The following persons were present: Vice-Chairman Tim Upton, Chairman Todd Miner, Secretary Darla Hann, Treasurer Lindsay Fisher. Also, present were PW Rep. Jon Gilpin and Kerry Bell – Widmer Engineering.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Motion** made by Chairman Miner to accept the regular meeting minutes from November 2023. (December meeting was cancelled.) Second by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION -**

## OPEN BIDS FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL UPGRADE PROJECT -

One bid was received from Traffic Control & Engineering Co., Inc. The total bid was \$68,407.00.

**Motion** by Chairman Miner to accept the bid from Traffic Control & Engineering Co., Inc for \$68,407.00 and to move forward with the project. Second by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT (Darla Hann reported)

- -Tax reports for the month of December have been received and processed. The Secretary will meet with Jim Stephens, Tax Collector, this month to go over the 2023 tax books.
- 7 burn permits were issued in December.

# TREASURER'S REPORT (Treasurer Lindsay Fisher reported)

**Motion** by Chairman Miner to accept the treasurer's report for November. Second by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.

## **AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS**

**Motion** made by Chairman Miner to pay monthly bills. Second by Vice-Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.

## **CORRESPONDENCE -**

Somerset Trust notified us of upcoming changes to the ACH banking service. More information will be available soon.

Received a 2024 Subscription Benefit Request from Fayette EMS.

**Motion** by Chairman Miner to subscribe to the Fayette EMS service for 2024 at a cost of \$150.00. Seconded by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.

PA American notified us that they will be replacing approximately 1.5 miles of aging water mains in 2024.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## Fire Dept.

\* Jon Gilpin reported that for the month of November the Fire Department was called out for: 4 vehicle accidents, 1 brush fire, 2 automatic fire alarms, and 16 out of Township Assists; for a total of 23 calls for November. For the month of December, the Fire Department was called out for: 1 structure fire, 3 vehicle accidents, 1 EMS Assist, 3 automatic fire alarms, and 11 out of Township assists; for a total of 19 calls for the month of December. Bingo is every Sunday, there will be a hoagie sale January 27<sup>th</sup> and the Fish Fry's will start on February 14<sup>th</sup>.

# **Emergency Management**

## Code Enforcement Officer -

\* Chairman Miner stated that there is a hearing on January 9<sup>th</sup>, for a property owned by Greyvelle Rentals, LLC. There were several warnings and SWEEP tickets issued on DeMuth Road.

#### Roadmaster

\* Reports for the months of November and December were read by Jon Gilpin and are on file in the office.

## SUPERVISOR REPORTS

## Supervisor Hann -

# Vice-Chairman Upton -

## Chairman Miner -

- Chairman Miner stated that we are working on getting a list of streetlights in the Township and will be working on a Street Light Ordinance.
- Thanked Magistrate Haggerty for the Community Service worker he sent here. He was a great worker and really helped to clean up along McCoy Hollow Road.
- There was a sewage issue with a house on Georgia Ave.; it is being taken care of by the homeowner.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Motion** by Chairman Miner to appoint Tim Upton to a 5-year term and Jon Gilpin to a 3-year term, on the BTCTJSA Board, with pay being \$150.00/month. Second by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.

**Motion** by Chairman Miner to approve attendance to the Farm Bureau Conference in January for 2024 for Supervisors Upton and Miner. Second by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.

**Motion** by Chairman Miner to renew our current Workers Compensation policy beginning January 1, 2024 at a cost of \$20,251.00, in increase of \$232.00. Second by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.

**Motion** by Chairman Miner to purchase a roller from Cleveland Brothers for \$11,000.00. The cost will be split equally with South Connellsville Borough and a written agreement will be in place between the Township and the Borough. Seconded by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.

## ORDINANCES -

## **RESOLUTIONS -**

**Motion** by Chairman Miner to adopt Resolution 2024-2, authorizing a cost-of-living increase to a retired police officer, Roger Adams, in the amount of \$75.00 per month, beginning January 2024 and continuing for the life of the retired police officer. Seconded by Vice Chairman Upton. All in favor, motion carried.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Submitted by: Vala Hann Approved by:

Todd Miner, Chairman

Tim Opton, vice chammar

Donald Hann, Supervisor