

**Connellsville Township Supervisors
Meeting minutes August 9, 2018**

- I. **Call to Order-** Chairman Miner called the monthly meeting to order on Thursday, August 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance-** led by Chairman Miner.
- III. **Roll Call-** The following persons were present- Supervisor Hann, Chairman Miner, Vice Chairman Carson arrived at 7:19 p.m., Secretary Darla Hann and Attorney Jack Purcell.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes-** A motion was made by Supervisor Hann to accept the regular meeting minutes from July 12, 2018. Second by Chairman Todd Miner. All in favor. Motion carried.
- V. **Public participation-** Nothing at this time.
- VI. **Secretary's Report-** Cypher & Cypher have filed the 2014 & 2015 DCED audit reports and the field work is in progress for the 2016 and 2017 audits. A copy of Leah's pension liquidation check has been sent to the Clerk of Courts, as requested. Darla and Brittany have been working on the Township website and will continue to do so.
- VII. **Treasurer's Report** – Treasurer's reports were read by Darla Hann and they are on file in the office. Motion made by Supervisor Hann to accept the Treasurer's reports. Second by Chairman Miner. All in favor. Motion carried. No bank statements at this time.
- VIII. **Authorization to pay bills-** Motion made by Supervisor Hann to pay monthly bills. Second by Chairman Miner. All in favor. Motion carried.
- IX. **Correspondence-** Darla Hann received the following correspondence: West Penn Power will be installing smart meters to all residents, starting in August. PennDot launched a new online resource for State Transportation Innovation Council which outlines how government can work with PennDot to implement innovations. There is a Storm Water Conference coming up: Oct 18th in Butler Co. & Nov. 16th in Montgomery Co. There is a \$75.00 fee. Fayette County will be hosting meetings dealing with the Local Hazard Mitigation Plans on Wednesday, September 5th; details are in the office.
- X. **Committee Reports-**
 - **Fire Dept.* – NA
 - **Emergency Management-* NA
 - **Roadmaster* – Report for the month was read by Chairman Miner and is on file in the office.
 - **Planning Commission* – Darla Hann stated that a meeting was held tonight at 6:30 for the Striner subdivision and the KFC subdivision. Jim Knapp informed everyone that there will be a meeting coming up for the Dairy Queen office.
 - **Zoning Officer* –Jack Purcell stated that the County is working on taking over the Township zoning. He will work on an ordinance rescinding the current ordinance to coincide with the County taking over the Zoning for the Twp. Motion by Supervisor Hann instructing the Secretary to write a letter to the County stating that the Twp. would like the County to assume zoning for the Township Second by Chairman Miner. All in favor, motion carried.

***Code Enforcement Officer** – Todd Miner stated that the issue with a residence and Cummins & 9th is being dealt with, the ditch is covered. Joe Adams is working on a house on Blake, which will be taken to the magistrate if not taken care of. Mr. Adams is also sending a letter about the house on Dark Avenue that is overgrown. Jim Knapp stated the owners of the residence on Shearer Alley that burnt have applied for the proper permits to move forward.

***Supervisors – Supervisor Hann** – Inquired as to what can be done with the equipment that is not being used. It was decided to inventory the equipment, see what it is worth and to look into advertising it. Vice Chairman Carson suggested weighing everything and to not sell for less than junk prices.

Vice Chairman Carson- Stated that he was checking on Casparis Road and stated that we would have a tough time getting to the Township portion until South Connellsville does something with their end. He spoke with Tim Ritenour and Chairman Carson will call head of Public Works for the Boro to see if they are interested in applying for a joint grant through Dirt and Gravel Roads.

Chairman Miner – Asked If the Township should have a driveway ordinance in place (dealing with pipe under driveways, etc.). The Solicitor will begin work on this. He also stated that the guys did an excellent job on DeMuth Road, controlling water well. Layton Alley is scheduled to be worked on later this month. He will talk to the guys about applying for more grants through Dirt and grave Roads, as you can have up to three (3) grants at a time. Chairman Miner also signed the contract today to start the Street Lighting project (changing over to LED).

- XI. Unfinished Business** – Darla Hann met with Jamie from Advanced Disposal to discuss delinquent accounts. Motion by Robert Carson to work with Advance Disposal on collecting delinquent accounts and charging a fee of \$25.00 for each collection letter. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried. The representative from Advance would like the Code Officer to go to the magistrate with her the first time, if that is possible. Atty. Jack Purcell stated he would go with her if needed.
- XII. New Business** – Motion by Vice Chairman Carson stating the liquidation of Leah Brothers pension account equal to \$31,087.22 plus the outstanding pension deposit equal to \$2670.00 be applied as a pension forfeiture and kept by the Township as partial restitution. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried. Motion by Vice Chairman Carson to authorize submission of the LSA grant application to the County. Second by Supervisor Hann. Motion by Vice Chairman Carson to purchase 1,000 ton of ashes at \$18.00/ton. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried. Motion by Supervisor Hann to purchase LED lights for the maintenance garage at a cost of \$2,578.38 (rebate available through power company). Second by Vice Chairman Carson. Motion by Vice Chairman Carson to authorize Darla Hann and Lindsay Boors for vendor data verification for PA Office of the Budget. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried.
- XIII. Ordinances** – Motion by Supervisor Hann to adopt to adopt Ordinance 2018-3, for street cutting and digging. Second by Vice Chairman Carson. All in favor, motion carried. Motion by Supervisor Hann to adopt 2018-4 concerning the Volunteer Service Credit Program. Second by Vice-Chairman Carson. All in favor, motion carried. The fireworks ordinance was tabled.
- XIV. Resolutions** – Motion by Supervisor Hann adopt Res. 2018-8 (disposal of records). Second by Vice Chairman Carson. All in favor. Motion Carried. Motion by Vice-Chairman Carson to adopt Resolution 2018-9 to pay the Volunteer Fire Department's

liability coverage on the fire equipment; \$9,000.00 – split into two (2) payments: \$4500.00 in April and \$4500.00 in August. Second by Supervisor Hann. The Township has always paid this in the past, previously it was suggested to separate the two entities and the Township continues to pay this.

XV. Adjournment- Supervisor Hann made a motion to adjourn. Second by Vice-Chairman Carson. All in favor. Motion carried.

Submitted by: _____ **Approved by:** _____