# **Connellsville Township Supervisors**

166 McCoy Hollow Road, Connellsville, PA 15425 (held at 905 Fireman Road)

# Meeting Minutes November 10, 2021

# CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Miner called the monthly meeting to order on Wednesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7:01 p.m.

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

led by Chairman Miner.

# ROLL CALL

The following persons were present- Chairman Todd Miner, Vice-Chairman Donald Hann, Treasurer Lindsay Zur, Code Enforcement Officer Scott Lafferty.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion** made by Vice Chairman Hann to accept the regular meeting minutes from September 9th, 2021. Second by Chairman Miner. All in favor. Motion carried.

# PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

\* Mr. Robert Calisti noted his concerns about the Township website not being updated, cancelled meetings not being advertised in the paper, not receiving information that was mailed on recycling. Chairman Miner noted that he will look into the items he has concerns about.

# SECRETARY'S REPORT (Treasurer Lindsay Zur reported)

\* Census from 2020 is 2,076; down from 2,391

\* Secretary Darla Hann requested that the Township be allowed to change the timing on the traffic light at the intersection of Blake and Rt. 119; waiting to hear back. Chairman Miner noted that his has been checked on and no response yet.

\* Recycling Bins and Magnets are in and close to 200 were distributed on Election Day. Distribution on bins is scheduled to be on Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, from 9AM t0 12PM at the Connellsville Township Fire Dept. The recycling bins can also be picked up at the Connellsville Township Office Monday-Friday from 8AM-4PM.

\* The Joint Paving project is completed and was closed out with PennDot on September 8, 2021.

\* Working on landlord registrations, have had quite a few respond to the certified letters.

\* EADS Group has notified the Township that Pleasant Valley Water Authority has applied for a permit from the DEP for Utility Line Stream Crossing.

\* Ford is extending the warranty coverage on the power door lock actuators for a total of 10 years or 150,000 miles on the 2019 F-250.

\* Quickbooks pricing is increasing from \$70.00 to \$80.00 per month, effective November 9, 2021. Also noted that we have been in contact with Quickbooks in regards to being charged sales tax since we started with online Quickbooks. This is still an open item.

\* Our estimated Liquid Fuels allocation for 2022 is \$100,620.63. This can change since our census numbers have dropped.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Read by Lindsay Zur and is available in the office.

**Motion** by Chairman Miner to accept the treasurer's report and bank reconciliations for August and September. Second by Vice Chairman Hann. All in favor, motion carried.

# AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

**Motion** made by Chairman Miner to pay monthly bills. Second by Vice Chairman Hann. All in favor. Motion carried.

## CORRESPONDENCE

\* Heiway Supply has sent notice of their COSTARS Patching Material Contract Annual Renewal: General Purpose is \$81.54/ton, Premium is \$86.74/ton and Latex Modified is \$93.25/ton.

\* DEP has looked into complaint of quarry runoff coming from Hanson Aggregate. A compliance order for failure to properly maintain Sedimentation Pond SP-1 was issued. The operator was also assessed a civil penalty. Inspector Rock will continue regular inspections of the site.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### Fire Dept.

\* Chairman Miner – Toy Bash at Connellsville Township Fire Dept. on Saturday, November 13, 2021 from 12PM to 5PM.

#### **Emergency Management**

#### Roadmaster

\* Report for the month was read by Chairman Miner and is on file in the office.

# Code Enforcement Officer

- \* Three (3) warnings for dogs running loose.
- \* Warnings for loose debris in yards.
- \* Won a case at the Magistrate for an issue on McCoy Hollow Road
- \* Feels that the warnings are helping the residents clean up the properties.

# SUPERVISOR REPORTS

#### Supervisor Carson

\* Absent

Vice-Chairman Hann

\* N/A

## Chairman Miner

\* Congratulated newly appointed 2022 Supervisor, Tim Upton, on his win.

\* The Township is conducting work on Casparis Road in conjunction with South Connellsville. There has been new stone placed on this road and it is becoming much nicer than it had been.

\* The ditch by Mr. Calisti's property will be addressed in the next week.

## **Unfinished Business**

\* Chairman Miner noted that the addressing issues on Columbus Blvd should be straightened out now. One resident had never changed their address.

\* Secretary Darla Hann spoke with the Postmaster concerning Pike Lane and we are still working on getting this issue corrected.

\* **Motion** by Chairman Miner to purchase a sign to thank Shallenberger Construction and Bullskin Stone for their help in making the Casparis job possible. Second by Vice Chairman Hann. All in favor. Motion carried.

# NEW BUSINESS

\* **Motion** by Vice Chairman Hann to accept Hoffman Kennels new contract; \$175.00 a month for 12 months, starting January 1, 2022. \$100.00 for emergency calls (weekends). Second by Chairman Miner. All in favor. Motion carried.

\* 2022 MMO's: Expected State aid is \$14,700.00, required to budget for \$24,837 as an expenditure.

\* **Motion** by Vice Chairman Hann to terminate our agreement with Heartland Payroll LLC, due to their lack of providing the services agreed upon, effective January 1, 2022. Also, to have the Solicitor write a letter to Heartland terminating our agreement. Second by Chairman Miner. All in favor. Motion carried.

\* **Motion** by Chairman Miner to appoint Scarry Accounting as our new payroll company effective January 1, 2022. Second by Vice-Chairman Hann. All in favor. Motion carried.

\* Discussed a salary for doing camera work for JSA. The Township has settled on \$60.00/hour and will present to the JSA, Beals Lane being a 50/50 split with the Township and the JSA.

\* Meeting on November 17<sup>th</sup> (JSA's regular meeting date) at 6:30 to discuss the issues with the drain at KFC. Code Enforcement Officer, Scott Lafferty, has been keeping an eye on the issue with grease and cleaning products that are being dumped into the drains at KFC that are going into the stormwater drains.

\* **Motion** by Chairman Miner to announce and advertise the Township's intention to appoint an outside auditor to complete the Municipal Audit for 2021. Second by Vice Chairman Hann. All in favor. Motion carried.

\* **Motion** by Chairman Miner to introduce and advertise the 2022 budget. Second by Vice Chairman Hann. All in favor. Motion carried.

\* **Motion** by Chairman Miner to advertise the Reorganization Meeting for Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 at 6PM, to be held at the Connellsville Township Fire Dept. Social Hall. Second by Vice Chairman Hann. All in favor. Motion carried.

\* **Motion** by Chairman Miner to advertise the Elected Auditors Meeting for Tuesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 6:00 PM at the Municipal Building. Second by Vice Chairman Hann. All in favor. Motion carried.

\* **Motion** by Chairman Miner to keep the 2022 Millage Rate at 1.533. Second by Vice Chairman Hann. All in favor. Motion carried.

\* Chairman Miner asked that if anyone would like to become a Connellsville Township Auditor to please get in touch with him.

#### ORDINANCES

## RESOLUTIONS

#### ADJOURNMENT

**Motion** by Vice Chairman Hann to adjourn at 7:45 PM. Second by Chairman Miner. All in favor. Motion carried.

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

Todd Miner, Chairman

Donald Hann, Vice Chairman

Robert Carson, Supervisor