

Connellsville Township Supervisors

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

Meeting Minutes June 15, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Miner called the monthly meeting to order on Wednesday, June 15, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

led by Chairman Miner.

ROLL CALL

The following persons were present: Supervisor Donald Hann, Chairman Todd Miner, Secretary Darla Hann, Treasurer Lindsay Zur and Solicitor Jack Purcell.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Supervisor Hann to accept the regular meeting minutes from May 11, 2022. Second by Chairman Miner. All in favor, motion carried.

OPENING OF PAVING BIDS

Contractor	Base Bid	Alternative #1	Alternative #2
El Grande Industries	\$159,690.60	\$28,636.50	\$15,300.00
Morgan Excavating	\$142,555.50	\$25,563.75	\$9,562.50
Redstone Excavating	\$153,206.28	\$29,819.70	\$18,462.00
Tresco Paving Corp	\$152,865.00	\$27,412.50	\$17,850.00

Motion by Chairman Miner to award the paving base bid and Alternatives #1 & #2 to Morgan Excavating, contingent on their bonds and paper work being in order. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION –

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Secretary Darla Hann reported)

- * Monthly tax reports for May from Jim Stephens were submitted.
- * Request for more signage to slow down on 711 – Solicitor Purcell suggested a letter be sent to PennDOT.
- * The design on the cabinets from Lyndan Designs has changed slightly and production is scheduled for later this summer. If done sooner, we will be notified.
- * A meeting is scheduled for 6-16-22 with the city and S. Connellsville to discuss the possibility of combing the three municipalities to bid the garbage contract.

* Meeting with the Twp. Fire Dept. Insurance Board is scheduled for 6-16-22 to discuss filing WC claims.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Treasurer Lindsay Zur reported)

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

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

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

CORRESPONDENCE – A thank you was received from the family of Scott Lafferty, stated that he enjoyed working with the Township.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Dept. – Chairman Miner reported that Fun Fest was held last week and was well attended.

Emergency Management

Code Enforcement Officer –

* Code Enforcement Officers Matt Fisher and Frank Mutnansky were in attendance. They reported that 4 violations and 11 warnings have been issued. Chairman Miner stated that they are being noticed in the Township.

Roadmaster

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

SUPERVISOR REPORTS

Supervisor Hann –

* Voiced concerns that residents have about an empty house on Hawthorn with high grass; snakes and ground hogs are becoming a problem. Chairman Miner has spoken with the Solicitor concerning this property and they are waiting on call backs on how we can proceed.

Vice-Chairman Upton –

Chairman Miner

* The Township has received letters of support for the state LSA grants that the Township applied for through Widmer Engineering from Senator Stefano's Office and Rep. Warner's office. Stated they are very much appreciated and thanked them.

* The BTCTJSA were doing camera work and sewage line clean out in the Poplar Grove area and while doing so caused several problems for residents. The Sewer Authority was notified and they will be addressing the issues.

* KFC update: They will be fixing their drain issues in approx. 3 weeks; they will be replacing the entire drain set up and separating the KFC drain from the one next door.

* We will be setting up a meeting the Johnna to discuss grants.

* Asked Kerry Bell (Widmer) to see if there are grants available for GIS mapping.

Unfinished Business

- * Springhill Township has purchased the 2015 Ford Truck for \$52,401.00. The picked it up this week.
- * Chairman Miner reported that repair work on a drain Rt. 119, between Blake Ave and Demuth is scheduled for repair on July 18th by PennDOT. This has been an ongoing issue and thanked Rep. Warner's office for their help in getting this scheduled.
- * Discussion concerning ending our agreement with Zelenkofske Axelrod (ARPA filing). Solicitor Jack Purcell with contact Cory Johnson from ZA's office and discuss solutions.
- * Darla Hann reported that there are still ongoing addressing issues on Columbus and Pike Lane. She will write letters to all residents concerned, asking them to use their 911 addresses. This is a problem for other people in the area and possible issues for 911 services. For the good of the public, we would like to see this corrected without having to take further action.

NEW BUSINESS

- * **Motion** by Chairman Miner to increase the mileage allowance for employees (non-uniform and Union) using own vehicles from **58.5** cents per mile to **62.5** cents per mile as increased by the IRS for 2022. All in favor, motion carried.
- * Chairman Miner was approached by Mayor Lincoln and Vern Ohler from the city to possibly jointly have a neuter/spay program to help with the problem of feral cats. Chairman Miner is waiting on return phone calls from several veterinarians in the area.

ORDINANCES –

- * **Motion** by Chairman Miner to advertise an amendment to Ordinance No. 2019-3, also known as the Township of Connellsville Garbage Ordinance, making homeowners/landlords responsible for the garbage bill. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried.
- * **Motion** by Chairman Miner to advertise an amendment to Ordinance 2019-8, also known as Adoption of 2015 IPMC, adopting the 2021 edition of the IPMC. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried.
- * Discussed whether a change should be made to the street cutting ordinance concerning time limits to have paving done.

RESOLUTIONS – Motion by Chairman Miner to adopt Resolution 2022-5, authorization to apply for a recycling grant. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Submitted by: _____

Approved by: _____

Todd Miner, Chairman

Tim Upton, Vice Chairman

Donald Hann, Supervisor