

February 9, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Cranberry for February 9, 2017 was called to order by Fred Buckholtz, Chairman. This meeting is being tape recorded.

- **ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:** Those in attendance were Fred Buckholtz, Harold Best, Jerry Brosius, Chad Findlay (Township Manager), Koah Pentz (Code Enforcement), Ted Williams (Road Supervisor) and Mike Erwin (Utility Supervisor). Guests in attendance were (see-attached sheet).
 - **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – None.
 - **ADOPTION OF AGENDA** – Jerry Brosius made a motion to adopt the agenda, seconded by Harold Best, motion carried (Fred Buckholtz - yes, Harold Best - yes, Jerry Brosius-yes).
1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR 01.26.17** – Fred Buckholtz asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the January 26, 2017 meeting, hearing none Harold Best made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Jerry Brosius, motion carried (Fred Buckholtz - yes, Harold Best- yes, Jerry Brosius - yes).
 2. **EXPENDITURES** – Fred Buckholtz asked if there were any questions on the expenditures. Jerry Brosius questioned the Oil City sewer charge being so high. Chad explained that this was the first bill with the new rates and it was a very wet month. Harold Best made a motion to approve the expenditures seconded by Jerry Brosius, motion carried, (Fred Buckholtz - yes, Harold Best- yes, Jerry Brosius-yes.)
 3. **PERSONS ON THE AGENDA** –None.
 4. **STAFF REPORTS**
 1. **Road Supervisor** – Ted Williams reported that his crew plowed roads for 11 days spreading 148 (10 ton) loads of salt/antiskid and 69 1ton loads of salt/ antiskid accumulating 107 hours of overtime. Ted’s crew also ditched roads, installed 1 driveway pipe, and crushed gravel at the plant for 1 day. Fred asked Ted if the roads were holding up due to the freezing and thawing. Ted said he was happy with how they were holding up so far. Jerry asked if the two pipes at Allison Road get put together. Ted said yes. Harold Best asked how the salt was holding up. Ted said he just ordered some.
 2. **Utility Supervisor**– Mike Erwin reported that his crew replaced a 2" water line on Allegheny Ave, checked Seneca system for water leaks, checked Sage Run sewer system for I&I, painted their backhoe, and met with Tom Stehle regarding quality at the water treatment plants. Mike made note that he found a homeowner that put their sump pump line into the sewer system. Mike said his concern is that others have done this and it is illegal and he will be checking for others.
 3. **Code Enforcement** – Koah Pentz reported that 1 permit was issued for an addition to a house with a value of \$8,000. He also noted that 2 heavy hauling permits were issued along with 1 driveway pipe. Koah announced that he attended a land bank meeting, a Planning Commission meeting worked on an adoption plan for the Comp. Plan with Ron Olsen, and worked on planning for Cranberry Township Business Open House at the Cranberry Mall on March 21st.
 4. **Township Manager** –Chad Findlay told the Supervisors that the property transaction with the ORA was not complete yet due to some issues with the title. Hopefully the issues will be corrected within the next week. Chad provided the Supervisors with a Thank You from Bill Lynam for the approval of \$500 contribution for the Venango County Youth Field Day. Chad read a request from Michelle Morrison to hold a 5K/Walk/Kids Fun Run on the trail Saturday, June 3rd to benefit the St Patrick School. Motion to approve was made by Harold Best and seconded by Fred Buckholtz. All in favor. (Fred Buckholtz - yes, Harold Best- yes, Jerry Brosius-yes.) Chad then provided the Supervisors with the information regarding Gov. Wolf’s proposal for Townships to pay \$25

per capita for State Police services. Chad explained that it would cost the Township \$164,000 and no further information has been given. Chad stated he has already reached out to Representative Lee James and PSATS opposes this effort. Chad informed the Supervisors that the appointed auditors, McGill, Power, Bell & Assoc. started the 2016 Audit, he and Pam are working on year-end reports, he completed the updates to the emergency response plan for the water treatment plants, and he attended a General Authority meeting.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS –

Andy Sentgeorge first commented on his appreciation for the Pledge of Allegiance at the start of each meeting. He then presented the Supervisors a letter with questions and asked for a response. (See attached letter.) Fred did try to answer some of the questions as Andy read the letter. Fred answers to #1. No, #2 yes, #3 yes, #4 working on a time schedule to go over plan, # 5 no.

Beth Reed read a prepared statement and asked the Supervisors to respond to Andy Sentgeorge. (See attached letter.)

Gordon Bickel addressed the Supervisors and voiced his concern of the declining population in the Township and County.

6. COMMENTS OF MEMBERS – Harold Best told the public that he appreciated their comments.

The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Cranberry will be February 23, 2017 at 7:00PM. There being no further business, Chairman Fred Buckholtz adjourned the meeting at 11:22AM.

ATTEST

Chad Findlay
Township Manager