

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

June 12, 2023

CALL TO ORDER:

The Jefferson Township Board of Supervisors' regular meeting was called to order by Chairman John Cypher, Monday, June 12, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. as advertised. All rose to pledge the flag.

ROLL CALL:

Those present were John Cypher, Chairman – Lois J. Rankin, Vice-Chair. – Braden Beblo, Supervisor – Leo J. Rosenbauer, III, Manager, and Lois Fennell, Sec/Treas.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE AGENDA ITEMS AS PRESENTED: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

MINUTES: *Motion* by John Cypher to approve the May 8, 2023 regular meeting minutes as written and distributed. *Seconded* by Lois Rankin. All agreed and *motion carried*.

FINANCIAL:

The list of bills paid between the May 8, 2023 and June 12, 2023 meetings totaled \$14,893.65. The list of bills presented for payment this evening from the General Fund totaled \$34,920.01. No bills were presented for payment this evening from the State Fund or the ARPA Funds. The Balance of All Funds after payment of the bills presented totaled \$3,146,034.27. *Motion* by John Cypher to pay the bills presented and any other bills come and are due prior to the July 10, 2023 meeting. *Seconded* by Braden Beblo. All agreed and *motion carried*.

RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Brian Patten, Recreation Board Chairman, presented the Recreation Committee's minutes for their June 7, 2023 meeting.

Pool: www.sebcopool.com The heater is not working and needs to be replaced. Pipes burst because of the weather conditions and the pump room was flooded twice. The heater will cost at least \$4,000.00. Lifeguard certification is now available, contact the pool for details and fees. Private & semi-private swim lessons start the week of June 11. See notes below on discussion on the pool cameras and on the fund-raising participation needed on the pool renovations.

Baseball: www.saxonburgbaseball.com Remaining tournament dates: 7/13-16, 7/20-24, and 7/28-30.

Softball: www.sagsa.org They are looking at options for rehabbing/replacing their dugouts. They are obtaining quotes now and hope to start the project after the season ends. Their tournament will be held Aug. 4, 5, and 6 this summer.

Soccer: www.knochsoccer.org The season wraps up on June 11th. Fall registration is open (June 11th was last day for early bird discount.)

Park Projects: The Recreation Committee discussed ideas as to where to set potential ready-made restroom units. One could be placed near the dumpster area by the farm field near the end of the walking trail loop. The other could be placed outside the fence of the pony field.

Notes/Discussion June 12, 2023: The camera system at the park was installed in 2016. Two additional cameras were added at the pool area a few years ago. The road foreman has suggested for some time that the camera system needs to be upgraded. John Cypher said the current camera system is pretty much at capacity. No decision to upgrade at this time.

Greg Bauer, Pool Assn. President, was asked to attend this evening to discuss the possible 'participation' from the pool association toward the funds needed to perform the necessary pool renovations which has been estimated at \$1.1 million. The DCNR Grant awarded is \$550,000. The

RECREATION COMMITTEE, cont.:

township is trying to obtain another grant via DCED, which will help, but there will still be a considerable amount for which the township will be responsible. Mr. Bauer said they will put a notice up to see the manager or assistant if someone is interested in donating (any donations will be brought to the township for deposit.) They have considered asking for 'corporate sponsorship' (i.e. gold, silver, bronze) and donors will have a sign placed on their fence. Currently the pool's funds have been depleted due to the burst pipes, filling of the pool, and now the heater needs to be replaced. After some discussion, it was agreed that Mr. Bauer will provide the township with an audit or financial report for the pool. Supervisor Rankin would like to see the Pool Association create a plan for fund raising in addition to the Township's efforts to acquire additional grant funding.

ROAD REPORT:

Chairman Cypher read the road report as follows:

- The 2023 Mack truck has been delivered. It has been undercoated at Ziebart, graphics were done by Tyler Martin; and the 2-way radio is on order (could take 3 months).
- Possible sale of the IH 530 truck, plow and spreader is on hold. The Manager noted that the grant round is opening in two weeks, and we 'may' still get funding toward the 2023 Mack truck. So, the Township will wait until the result of that application before deciding what to do with the IH 530.
- The JD Tractor with Boom Mower is expected to be delivered this week. Once received, the old boom mower will be taken and delivered to Wayne Township by Seigworth Road Supply. The check for the old boom mower has already been received and held for deposit.
- Crack sealing has been done on the roads that are scheduled for the chip seal project this year. They will order more material in case they have time for more crack sealing this year.
- The road crew still has some road edge work and patch work to be completed before the seal coat project starts (estimated start date is 7/17/23.)
- Maintenance of township equipment and in the park will continue as needed.
- The floor in the maintenance garage office/breakroom/locker area and restrooms is worn out and coming apart. The road foreman would like the Township to consider a 'poured vinyl coating floor repair'. The manager is to look into it.

Manager Rosenbauer noted:

- Patterson Road's second fog seal application will be done at the same time as the seal coat project for this year.
- The manager has been researching the use of a 'rejuvenator' application on Bonniebrook Rd. Due to the drying time needed it has not been recommended that we use what was applied to Alwine Road. Russell Standard had recommended options (and will be reviewed by LTAP Representatives): (1) Delta mist and (2) GR8. John Cypher said he sees no problem closing Bonniebrook Rd. for 2 hours to let the rejuvenator dry completely.
- The speed study on Bullcreek Rd. was done on June 5th; but the results are not in yet.
- The O'Hara Road culvert work, which is county funded, a 5 ft. diameter pipe cross pipe is recommended by the Conservation District for a GP7, but will be reviewed.
- The road crew is planning to do the work on Oak Dr. culvert. Three quotes were obtained for an excavator with operator. Two came in at \$3,000; one came in for \$1,950 for a 2-day project.
- The road crew has indicated that they are not comfortable doing the West Jefferson Road Bridge renovation 'in-house'.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Leo Rosenbauer, P.C. Chair., reported on the May 15, 2023 Planning Commission meeting. They reviewed and approved the Bossinger Plan, a Lot-Line Revision on Rt. 356. Lot 1, a flag lot with an old metal garage will be conveyed 0.380 acre (Lot A) (for additional pole width) which will make a total of 1.754 acres. Bossinger's Lot 2 will then be 2.84 acres (3.27 acres less the 0.380 acre.) All the conditions discussed by the Planning Commission were met and verified by Mr. Rosenbauer. The Supervisors Reviewed the plan this evening. *Motion* by John Cypher to approve the Bossinger Plan. *Seconded* by Lois Rankin. All agreed and *motion carried*.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Motion by Lois Rankin to adopt Ordinance #510 for the False Fire Alarm Ordinance as advertised. *Seconded* by John Cypher. All agreed and *motion carried*.

The Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement (Ordinance or Resolution) is still on hold until we get final word from the township attorney.

Following significant discussion on the West Jefferson Road Bridge Renovation, Chairman Cypher suggested an option of replacing the bridge with an aluminum arch. In the meantime, the Township has a GP11 permit for 'maintenance' and the scouring could be remediated.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

PUBLIC BUSINESS or COMMENT: None.

MISC. BUSINESS FROM TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS:

Chris Dean from II-VI, Inc. (now: Coherent Corp.) has sent notice to the township of their 6-month testing of their Community Early Warning System ... set for Friday, June 23 and Saturday, June 24, 2023 at 12 noon.

The manager noted that Karinne Houser from Hillsdale College with be soliciting 'educational material' in the area this summer.

Lois Rankin noted that we received information on the PSATS "Regional Forums". The Cranberry Township date is August 29, 2023. No decision tonight as to who wants to attend.

ATTENDANCE:

Evie Gross, Mr. Horneman, Chris Durham, Brian Patten, Evie Gross, Bob Veselich, and Jim Rankin..

ADJOURN:

John Cypher *moved* to adjourn at 9:01 P.M. on June 12, 2023. *Seconded* by Braden Beblo. All agreed and *motion carried*.

NEXT MEETING:

The next scheduled meeting is Monday, July 10, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. at the municipal building - 157 Great Belt Rd., Butler, PA 16002.