**WHITE DEER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**MARCH 25, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of White Deer Township was held on March 25, 2025. Present were Supervisors Carroll Diefenbach and Paul Saber, Township Secretary Michelle Finck and Township Solicitor Jason Brudecki, Esq. Also in attendance were Road Master Clint Heintzelman, Joel Zimmerman, Candace Fry, Bruce & Margaret Musser, and members of Boy Scout Troop 600 including Craig Jarrett, Vince and Erik Strawser, Andrew Rohrer as well as several other scout members. Supervisor Donald Wilver, Jr. was not present.

Mr. Diefenbach welcomed those in attendance from Boy Scout Troop 600 as part of requirement to obtain a merit credit. The scout members led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes from the February 25, 2025 meeting were approved following a motion by Mr. Diefenbach and seconded by Mr. Saber.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Following a motion by Mr. Saber and seconded by Mr. Diefenbach, the Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to approve the bill sheet dated March 25, 2025 totaling $304,555.14. Some of the big expenses included $142,336.89 for the contractors at the park, $77,213.26 for the new dump truck, and $55,847.22 for the Township portion of the bridge replacement on Creek Road. The remaining expenses consisted of regular operating of the Township.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Discussion ensued regarding our options to satisfy a finding from the pension audit which requires funds to be returned to the State due to an overpayment of state aid. This item was tabled until Mr. Wilver returned from his trip.

Mr. Diefenbach shared that we received preliminary pricing for a new pickup which includes $50,190 from Blaise Alexander through the COSTARS program and $10,415 from Bradco Supply Co. for the plow and wiring. The pricing for the option of a utility box will be obtained from Blaise Alexander which would increase the cost of the pickup $10,000 to $15,000.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Brudecki shared in light of the most recent complaint of a resident burning on the White Deer Pike, the Township Open Burning Ordinance states that any violations can be prosecuted through the District Magistrate. Furthermore, it is believed that this individual is also in violation of obtaining a permit for a home business. Mr. Wilver has reached out the CKCOG in response to the latest complaint.

Mr. Diefenbach shared that he has been in contact with the recycling coordinator at Lycoming County Resource Management Services. The Township is now accepting cereal boxes, junk mail, fiberboard and mixed papers including office paper. Cat food cans are accepted but must be cleaned out and kept separate from aluminum beverage containers. A flyer will be handed out with this information at the next recycling day.

**ZONING AND PLANNING**

No Plan needed approval.

**SOLICITOR/SUPERVISOR/OTHER COMMENTS**

Mr. Diefenbach shared that he has been in contact with Garrett Enders regarding a noise complaint on Ridge Road. It was determined that a bitcoin business is being conducted at this property in which a building has been constructed that includes two large ventilation fans. No permit for this business was acquired as well.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Candace Fry inquired about the opening of Creek Road with the new bridge replacement and shared some concerns with the engineering of the new bridge. Mr. Diefenbach spoke with her after the meeting upon reviewing the plans from Larson Design.

Andrew Rohrer of Boy Scout Troop 600 thanked the Township for their support with allowing the troop to display a sign and sell tickets for their spaghetti dinner fundraiser. Mr. Diefenbach shared that the fishing weekend with the Boy Scouts has been postponed until Easter weekend due to the scheduled PA Mentored Youth Fishing Day on March 29th. Mr. Saber shared the Troop has 8 boys working on their Eagle Project with more boys scheduled to start their projects soon which is higher than the national average.

Bruce and Marge Musser inquired about the status of the opening of the park. Mr. Diefenbach shared the painting and final plumbing needs completed. Once the construction traffic is gone, grass will be planted and the driveway and parking area will be completed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no other business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Diefenbach and seconded by Mr. Saber to adjourn.

 Michelle Finck, Secretary

 Don Wilver, Jr., Treasurer

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