

May 4, 2017

The monthly meeting of the Richmond Township Supervisors was held at the Township Building at 30348 State Highway 408. The meeting was called to order with a salute to the flag and a moment of silence at 6:00 P.M. In attendance were Supervisors Glenn Sharpe, Bryan Morton, and Don James, as well as Scott Wheelock, John Lawrence, Sandy James, and Rhonda Phillips.

MINUTES of the April 6, 2017 meeting were distributed to those in attendance. Sharpe asked if there were any additions and/or corrections. Mention was made by James that there was an oversight from two months ago that Ace Excavating did some emergency work on Castile Rd, where a culvert collapsed, and Pinney Rd that was washed out during a severe storm. No corrections to the April 6th minutes were needed.

** Motion made by James, seconded by Morton, to accept the minutes as read. Motion carried: three ayes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter from Art Hoffman – He expressed concern about the safety issue regarding the row of houses on Highway 77 that have piles of tires, scraps, etc. John Lawrence spoke with DEP and was informed that a place of residence is not permitted to have over ten tires lying around. Also, the township does not have a maintenance code, but the lady from DEP was going to check to see if there was a state statute about unsafe structures. Morton stated that there is also a limit on the number of cars, that are not registered or licensed, allowed on a property.

Open letter to the supervisors – An open letter was sent to the supervisors. The writer addressed issues of dust control. Suggestions for solving the issue were included in the letter, but the letter was not signed. Therefore, the supervisors will give no credence or response to it.

BILLS AND RECEIPTS: See Treasurer's Report.

**Motion was made by James, seconded by Morton, to approve all bills and receipts. Motion carried: three ayes.

REPORTS

Planning Commission - A meeting was held last month. Lawrence mentioned the following: 1) Luigi DeFrancesco is doing some sizing off the maps of the Township. They are working on getting a grant for planting trees. The conservation office is working on a list of resources in conjunction with that. 2) Lawrence received a letter from the Department of Revenue stating that any homes that are rented out to someone else must charge hotel tax. 3) Ordinances need to be organized. 4) Billy Shoemaker asked about getting the Concession Doors changed. Lawrence got a bid from Derek for \$650. There is some track up there that could be used which would take around \$200 off the cost.

**Motion was made by James, seconded by Morton, to give the Athletic Association \$200 to help with the concession doors, and they can use the track that is up there. Motion carried: three ayes.

5) There is a PennDOT survey called the Northwest Pennsylvania Freight Survey. Lawrence mentioned that the office should be getting it and encouraged the supervisors to give their input. It addresses whether townships are impacted in a negative way by the main corridors of Crawford County, St Hwy 77 and 408 being two of the main ones.

Recreation Board - Wheelock mentioned the following: 1) A Port-a-potty is sitting up at the Rec Building. It is for the 5K that will be held there. 2) Thank you for the \$330 given to the Rec Board from donations from the Township Clean-Up Day. Matt Crocker brought a total of nine guys to help with the Clean-Up Day. 3) May 13th is the Rec Facility clean-up day at 8:00 A.M. Wheelock will have to leave for part of the day for a funeral. We also need to decide how far back we want to put the fence, and we need a posthole digger to put in six holes. Other projects include putting stone from the township around the flagpole instead of mulch, taking the lean-to off the back (save

for another day), pick up trees, and seed the area where the driveway was removed. 5) Everything is covered except a speaker for the Memorial Day Service.

Roadmaster Report - Most of all the spring thaw grading has been done. There is still some to go and some of the first round of grading on roads that were ready has been done. We also had Ace Excavating do some work for us on Pinney and N. Richmond roads; they did excessive ditching and some pipe swaps for us to help control the water better in those areas. Storms in our township lately have caused havoc here and there. There is some debris still out there; we will get to it as we can. We are waiting on forks that Kennedy Welding is making for us to be able to clean up the storm debris better. We want to start the N. Richmond Rd. project the end of May or the first week in June. We are working that out with all involved. A reminder is made to the supervisors as to vacation days on the calendar for this month. New business: The International has a bad oil pan and needs replaced. The cost of the pan alone is almost \$900, not including the swap. I would like to thank my partner John and the supervisors for covering things in my absence this past month. I have some health issues, detected the first of February, and I have had to do different tests as well as medications to deal with my illness and things are getting better. I still have some treatments and tests in the future but progress is being made so thank you all. Drive safe, the life you save could be your own! Charlie Hartman

Tax Collection Committee - No report.

Website - Statistics were read as to the number of people looking at our website. People from all over the world have been looking at it.

OLD BUSINESS

Business ads for website – WIP

Ordinance updates – WIP

Greystone Rd/Christopher Herendeen situation – WIP

Castile Rd. bridge repair - Morton emailed the guidance counselor at the Maplewood High School to see if there is potential for senior projects, but no response has been received yet.

Gravel bids - Bids include delivery.

	<u># 8 - 2000 tons</u>	<u>#3 -1500 tons</u>	<u>2RC - 8000 tons</u>
ACA Sand & Gravel	13.00 26,000.00	12.80 19,200.00	10.21 81,680.00
Allegheny Mineral Corp.	28.00 56,000.00	23.25 34,875.00	22.50 180,000.00
Hillside Stone, LLC	12.00 24,000.00	11.25 16,875.00	7.60 60,800.00
Hasbrouck Sand & Gravel	13.19 26,380.00	11.04 16,560.00	7.04 56,320.00
IA Construction Corporation	18.50 37,000.00	NO BID	15.25 122,000.00

****Motion was made by James, seconded by Sharpe, to purchase #3 and 2RC from Hasbrouck Sand & Gravel.**

Motion carried: three ayes.

****Motion was made by James, seconded by Sharpe, to purchase #8 by Hillside, making sure that they understand that the quote includes delivery. Motion carried: three ayes.**

***Assessment Permit* - WIP; James will be talking to the new solicitor about this.**

***Auditors' Recommendations* - The township inventory needs to be updated.**

***Insurance paperwork for ball teams* - Nothing has been received.**

NEW BUSINESS

***Road Tour* - The road tour will be this Saturday, May 6th at 7:00 A.M.**

***Election Day* - Tuesday, May 16th is Election Day. Another elected official needs to take Phyllis Humes place as Judge of Elections. Donna Gibbons, who is running for this position, will be filling in for Phyllis. Phyllis will open the building on May 11th for the machines to be put in, and then she will give the key to Donna. John Lawrence called and offered to fill in if it was needed. Also, a sign-up sheet needs to be put out to ask for help because we are losing three people. We need at least two more people. People can be written in as an election helper. John Lawrence offered to fill in one of the positions.**

***Mark Crago* - He will be mowing for the township this year.**

CITIZENS' COMMENTS AND CONCERNS - There were none.

****Motion made by James, seconded by Morton, to adjourn. Motion carried: three ayes.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:46 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Phillips
Township Secretary